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THE UGLY DUCKLING MUSICAL

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playhouse

**Directed by
Jennifer Guttierre
& Tom Rafanan**

**Produced by
Leslie Williamson**

**Choreographed by
Alyssa Williamson**

**Musical Direction by
Abbi Hoffpauir**

The Patio Playhouse Production of:



Music by **GEORGE STILES**
Book and Lyrics by **ANTHONY DREWE**

Honk! JR.

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Patio Playhouse acknowledges that this production is being performed on the traditional
lands of the Kumeyaay-Ipai Peoples and wishes to pay our respects to Elders both past
and present.

Thank You!

This production was made possible in part by the generous support of the Janecek Family Charitable Fund. Their commitment to the arts and community has played a vital role in bringing our performances to life. We extend our heartfelt gratitude for their contribution, which helps us continue to enrich and entertain our audience.



Thank you to Star Oceanside for their loan of duckling eggs.





Welcome to *Honk JR* and welcome to the beginning of Patio Playhouse's Diamond Season!

For 60 years, Patio Playhouse has been a place where stories come to life, friendships are formed, and generations of artists discover their voices. As we celebrate this milestone season, it feels fitting to begin with a story about belonging, acceptance, and finding the courage to be yourself.

At Patio Playhouse, we believe theater is for everyone. Whether a child is stepping onto a stage for the very first time or returning for their tenth production, every performer deserves a place where they are seen, valued, and encouraged to shine. *Honk* beautifully reminds us that our differences are not flaws to overcome but gifts to embrace.

This production represents everything that makes our theater special: talented young performers, dedicated volunteers, supportive families, and a community that believes in the power of the arts. Together, they have created something truly magical.

Thank you for joining us as we kick off our Diamond Season. Your support allows us to continue providing opportunities for artists of all ages and backgrounds to learn, grow, and share their stories.

Here's to 60 years of laughter, learning, friendship, and theater magic—and to the many memories still to come.

Enjoy the show!

Jennifer Guttiere
Artistic Director
Patio Playhouse Community & Youth Theater



Director's Letter



Welcome to *Honk JR!*

Every show is special, but this one holds a particularly special place in my heart. Watching these young performers grow in confidence, kindness, and talent throughout this process has been an incredible joy. Our two casts, Feathers and Fluff, each bring their own unique energy, creativity, and heart to this story. While their performances may be different, they share the same dedication, friendship, and love of theater.

The message of *Honk* reminds us that our differences are often our greatest strengths. Throughout this process, I have watched these young actors learn to support one another, celebrate each other's successes, and create a community where everyone belongs.

On a personal note, I am especially proud of my son, Rowan, as he takes on his first leading role. Watching him grow from a little boy who loved being around the theater to a young performer carrying a show has been one of the greatest joys of my life. I couldn't be prouder.

This production would not have been possible without an incredible team. My deepest thanks to our amazing producer, Leslie Williamson, who is truly the wind beneath my wings and the steady force that keeps everything moving forward. Thank you to my wonderful co-director, Tom Rafanan, whose creativity and partnership made this journey even more special. Thank you to our talented Music Director, Abbi Hoffpauir, and Choreographer, Alyssa Williamson, for helping these young performers shine both musically and on the dance floor.

Thank you to our families, volunteers, and community for believing in youth theater. Most of all, thank you to these remarkable young performers for sharing their hearts, their courage, and their talents with us.

Now sit back, enjoy the show, and remember: sometimes the things that make us different are the very things that make us extraordinary.

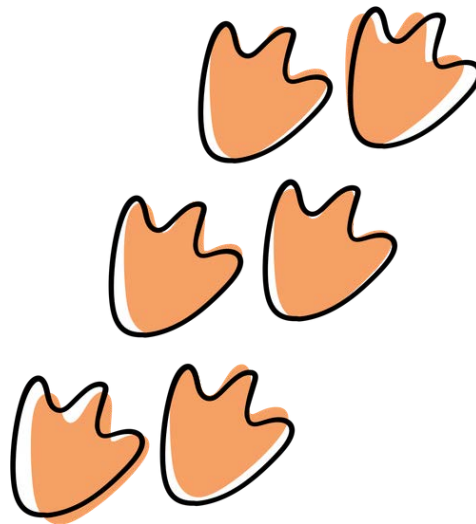
Jennifer Guttieri
Director, *Honk JR* 🐦

Director's Letter

Welcome to *Honk! Jr.!* Co-directing this production has been an incredible experience, and I'm especially grateful for the opportunity to learn alongside Artistic Director, Jennifer Guiterre. Watching this talented cast grow in confidence and bring this heartwarming story to life has been truly rewarding.

Thank you for supporting our young performers, we hope you enjoy the show!

- Tom Rafanan, Director



SCENES

ACT I

Scene I: A Poultry Tale

Scene II: Play With Your Food

Scene III: Every Tear A Mother Cries

Scene IV: The Wild Goose Chase

Scene V: The Joy of Motherhood

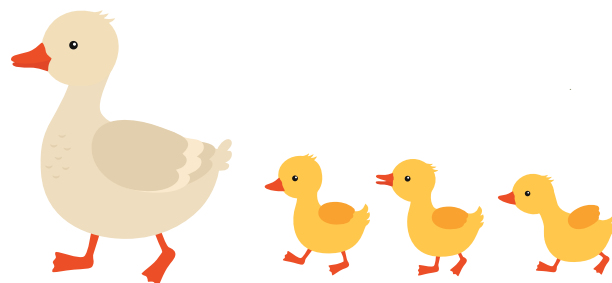
Scene VI: Warts and All

INTERMISSION

ACT II

Scene VII: The Blizzard

Scene VIII: Look at Him (Reprise)



Fluff Cast

IDA - NATALIE TEIGEN
UGLY - ROWAN GUTTIERE
DRAKE - DASH GUTTIERE
MAUREEN - ISABELLA TAN
CAT - AUTUMN WILLIAMSON
GREYLAG - ATLAS BAKER
DOT - CASSIDY EBERWEIN
BARNACLES - MATTEO COCCHIA
SNOWY - TESS MCDANIEL
PINKFOOT - ELEANOR MANNING
BULLFROG - JOCELYN DEL ROSARIO
PENNY - LAYNEE GROSSE
MOTHER SWAN - ZOEY CLEVERS
BABY SWAN - MIA EVERTON-LOVELL
BEWICK - MILA COCCHIA
GRACE - TESSA HOUSKEN

TURKEY - AVERY CAUGHRON
HENRIETTA - KATERINA MONGE
MAGGIE PIE - CORA SAVAGE
THE FARMER - AVE NEGRETE
BOY/GOOSE - ELI HOUSKEN
GIRL/GOOSE - LILY EVERTON-LOVELL
BLIZZARD SOLOIST - SCARLETT BOURUS
BLIZZARD DANCER - KYRSTEN LIMON



DUCKLINGS

BEAKY - JACOB SAKDARAK
FLUFF - ISLA VALENZUELA
BILLY - OLIVE TRAN

DOWNY- SAVANNAH BALDWIN
WEBSTER - GABRIEL EBERWEIN

CAT ENSEMBLE

ALY MONGE
ATHENA BAKER
ELLIOTT KNIGHT
MAYCEE GROSSE
ROSALYN WU
SCARLETT BOURUS

FROG ENSEMBLE

CELINE "CECE" VELA
CHANCE VELA
ELLIS GRABOWSKI
EVA JONES
EVERLY LOPEZ
JUJU HUTTON
KIRA JONES

GEESE ENSEMBLE

MYRAH OLSEN
PENELOPE HARPER

Feathers Cast

IDA - HALLIE HESS
UGLY - ELLIE MIDDLETON
DRAKE - WES SCHOOLER
MAUREEN - TAYLOR SAKDARAK
CAT - NAYA NICHELLE BERESFORD
GREYLAG - ATLAS BAKER
DOT - GRACE BOURUS
BARNACLES - MATTEO COCCHIA
SNOWY - TESS MCDANIEL
PINKFOOT - ELEANOR MANNING
BULLFROG - RYLAN MCCARTNEY
PENNY - LAYNEE GROSSE
MOTHER SWAN - ZOIEY CLEVERS
BABY SWAN - MIA EVERTON-LOVELL
BEWICK - MILA COCCHIA
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Artistic Team

Directors: Jennifer Guttiere and Tom Rafanan

Producer: Leslie Williamson

Artistic Director: Jennifer Guttiere

Costume Lead: Alice Hoffpauir

Costume Assistants: Stephanie Valenzuela, Amanda Von Sydow, Cassi Hoffpauir, Sara Monge, Rachael Caughron, Janna Limon

Dressing Room Lead: Rachael Caughron

Dressing Room Assistants: Aubrey Tran, Kaci Grabowski, Eva Kresz, Gee Salazar, Amanda Von Sydow, Michelle Taylor, Brittany Hess, Stephanie Valenzuela, Morgen Oelcker, Morgan Leigh Manning

Music Director: Abbi Hoffpauir

Choreographer: Alyssa Williamson

Stage Manager: Mike Grosse

Set Painter: Brian Silver, Kirra Irvine

Set Builders: Scott Heidemann, Frank Guttiere

Front of House: Sara Grosse

Concessions Design/House Manager: Michelle Cocchia

Lighting Design: Mario Ledesma

Light Operator: Jason Eberwein

Props Master: Marie Silver

Prop Assistants: Ashley McCartney, Leslie Williamson, Conner Wohlgemuth

Photographer: Jesse Williamson

Opportunity Baskets Coordinator: Eva Kresz

Opportunity Baskets Assistants: Amanda Von Sydow-Olsen, Arete Baker, Stephanie Valenzuela, Laura Middleton

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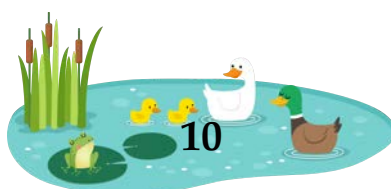
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Rehearsal Parents Assistants: Tiffany Baldwin, Stephanie Valenzuela, Becky Eberwein, Morgan Manning, Jason Eberwein, Liz Tiegan, Eva Kresz, Amanda Von Sydow, Kaci Grabowski, Gee Salazar, Arete Baker, Kelsey Vela, Brittany Hess, Brynn Knight, Stefanie Everton-Lovell, Laura Tan, Aubrey Tran, Sara Monge



Actor Profiles



Alexandra Monge (Cat Chorus/Frog Chorus, Both Casts), age 9, has been dancing since she could walk with encouragement from her big sister. While she's danced in multiple shows since then, she performed in her first musical last summer, *Winnie the Pooh* and fell in love. You may remember her in the role of Teddy in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* at Patio Playhouse. When not performing, Aly loves gymnastics, making her family laugh & playing with her cats & rabbits, and helping teach little girls to dance. She also loves making us her own "Cat dances" (on all fours), which she performs to get laughs from her dance coaches and sister's dance team. She hopes to bring that joy to those enjoying *Honk*!



Athena Baker (Cat Ensemble, Both Casts) is 5 years old and going into first grade. This is her first play she has ever been in. Athena loves cats so she is thrilled to be a cat in the show! When she is not on stage, she does tap and ballet and loves to sing. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Atlas Baker (Greylag, Both Casts) is almost a fifth grader and is excited to have his first-ever speaking and solo role as Greylag in *Honk Jr.* This is his first year participating in musical theater and he has loved meeting new friends and learning about production. When Atlas isn't on stage he is playing basketball and making his own Godzilla movies. He hopes you have the best night at the show!



Actor Profiles



Autumn Williamson (Cat, Fluff Cast), 11, is delighted to appear as the Cat in *Honk!* (Fluff Cast). Past favorite roles include Moana (*Moana*), Nemo (*Finding Nemo*), Piglet (*Winnie the Pooh*), Young Janis (*Mean Girls Jr.*), Rapunzel & Lilo (*Princess Whatshername*), Molly (*Annie*), and an Oompa Loompa (*Willy Wonka*). She thanks Ms. Jen, Miss Abbi, Miss Alyssa, the dedicated parent volunteers, and everyone attending today's performance. Philippians 4:1



Avery Caughron (Turkey) is thrilled to be playing the Turkey in her seventh theater production. Favorite past roles include Candy Cane (*Holly Jollywood*), Pooh's Tummy (*Winnie the Pooh Kids*), and the Cat in the Hat solo (*Broadway Babies*). When not rehearsing, she enjoys crocheting, drawing and crafting. With a love for performing, she's excited for any opportunity to shine on stage!



Cassidy Eberwein (Dot, Fluff Cast) will be in fifth grade, and is excited about the show, especially since she is in it with her younger brother Gabriel. Earlier this year, she was in her first show *Frozen*. She loves to hang out with her friends, playing piano, and reading. Thanks to her family and friends for coming to see her. She hopes you will enjoy the show.



Celine Vela (Frog Ensemble) is a first-grade student making her stage debut in her very first play. She loves dancing, drawing, and helping in the kitchen. Celine is excited to be part of this production and has enjoyed the experience. She would like to thank the cast, crew, directors, and her family for their support and for giving her this wonderful opportunity.



Actor Profiles



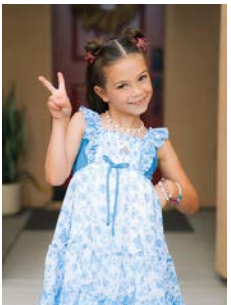
Chance Vela (Frog Ensemble) is eight years old and excited to be part of this production. He enjoys singing, collecting unique coins, and playing retro video games. One of his favorite parts of being in the play has been making new friends and working with the cast. Chance is grateful for this experience and would like to thank the cast, crew, directors, and his family for their support and encouragement throughout the show.



Cora Savage (Maggie Pie) is in sixth grade and excited to participate in her first Patio Playhouse production! She's performed in school musicals since third grade, including her favorite roles as Wicked Witch of the West in *Wizard of Oz* and the Genie in *Aladdin*. When she's not performing, she enjoys reading, baking, playing field hockey, and spending time with family and friends. She wants to thank everyone involved for making this amazing musical possible!



Dash Guttiere (Drake, Fluff) is excited to be back on the Patio Playhouse stage in *Honk JR!* Favorite roles include Maui (*Moana Jr.*), Crush (*Finding Nemo Jr.*), Martin the Mathlete (*Mean Girls*), Pugsley (*The Addams Family*), Augustus Gloop (*Willy Wonka Jr.*), and Pooh (*Winnie the Pooh KIDS*). Dash was honored as the inaugural recipient of the GenZ ChangeMaker Award for his advocacy in the arts. When he grows up, he hopes to become a chef. He loves performing, gaming, and making people laugh.



Eleanor Manning (Pinkfoot the Goose) is thrilled to be making her musical theater debut in *Honk!* She is 7 years old and loves singing, dancing, and performing whenever she gets the chance! When she's not on stage, Eleanor enjoys writing songs and stories, playing with her friends, and finding new adventures! She is grateful to her directors, castmates, and family for helping her spread her wings and fly!





Actor Profiles



Eli Housken (Boy/Goose) is 9 years old and excited to be in his second production with Patio Playhouse. Last summer, he appeared in *Winnie the Pooh* and is delighted to return to the stage as a Goose and the Boy in *Honk Jr.* For fun, Eli enjoys reading, playing baseball, and following in his big sister's footsteps in musical theater.



Elizabeth (Ellie) Middleton (Ugly, Feathers Cast) is 9 years old and a rising 4th grader at St. Mary's School. She is thrilled to be playing Ugly in *Honk Jr.* Ellie enjoys basketball, swimming, making slime, cooking, and all things theater. She would like to thank the director, producer, teachers, and her fellow *Honk Jr.* castmates for everything they have taught her. She also thanks her family for their love, support, and encouragement.



Elliott Knight (Cat Ensemble) is in the seventh grade and has had a love for singing, dancing, and performing with various companies since the age of three. This will be her third performance with patio playhouse. When she is not at the theater she loves creating art, hanging out with her friends and taking care of all her animals, including a dog, cat, chickens, snake, and gecko. She wants to thank all the cast and crew and hopes you all enjoy her purrfect performance!



Ellis Grabowski (Frog Soloist) is thrilled to be performing in her third Patio Playhouse production! She loves being on stage singing, dancing, and making memories with all her friends. When she's not performing, she enjoys gymnastics, dancing, swimming and spending time with her family, friends, and beloved pets. She is excited to be part of this amazing production and hopes you enjoy the show!

Actor Profiles



Eva Jones (Frog Ensemble). This is 8 year old Eva's 3rd Production with Patio Playhouse. She was previously in Disney's *Winnie The Pooh Jr.* And Mrs. Claus' Holiday *Hullaba-Two: Holly Jollywood*. She collects Monster High Dolls and Barbies and loves to dance, draw and play baseball. Eva wishes to thank Mrs. Jenn and all the Production team for such an amazing experience. She would also like to thank her family and friends for all their love and support!



Everly Lopez (Frog) is 6 years old and is hopping with excitement to be part of this production! She has had a toad-ally amazing time rehearsing with this talented cast and crew. She especially loved working with her Auntie Abbi, Honk Jr's music director. She hopes you enjoy the show and that you'll think it's un-frog-gettable!



Gabriel Eberwein (Webster) is very excited to be in his first show. It's extra special to be sharing the stage with his sister Cassidy. Gabriel will be in second grade. He enjoys magic, gymnastics, and playing board games. He is happy having his friends and family see him on stage.



Grace Bourus (Dot) is going into fifth grade and this is the third Patio Playhouse production she has participated in. She has many hobbies, but most of all loves animals and gaming with her brother. She wants to give a special shout out to Miss Jenn for creating such fun opportunities for the kids, all of her fellow cast, and the crew.



Hallie Hess (Ida, Feathers Cast) is 10 and just finished fourth grade! She is thrilled to play Ida in *Honk! Jr.* Favorite past roles include Tamatoa in *Moana*, Pearl in *Finding Nemo*, Owl in *Winnie the Pooh*, and Dory in *Finding Nemo*. When she's not performing, Hallie swims on a Junior Olympic team. She wants to thank Miss Abbi, Miss Jenn (her real life theatre mama duck), family, and friends for their love and support. She hopes everyone enjoys the show and remembers, "You don't have to look like everyone else to be beautiful."

Actor Profiles



Isabella Tan (Maureen, Fluff Cast) is going to be in seventh grade at Black Mountain Middle School. She is excited for her debut at Patio Playhouse. She loves to sing, act, and dance. When she is not in theater you may see her playing with her dogs or hanging out with friends. Some of her previous roles are Thing 1 (*Seussical*), June (*Annie*), Tommy and Eric (*Matilda*), and Jay Bird (*Honk*), among others. She is excited to experience *Honk* this season as Maureen and hopes you enjoy the show!



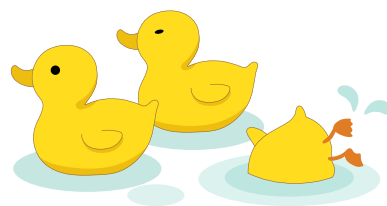
Isla Mae Valenzuela (Fluff the Duckling) is five years old, starting kindergarten this fall. She plays Fluff the inquisitive Duckling in *Honk*, her debut youth theater role! When not performing, she loves dancing to wild music, being a mermaid, and drawing with every pen in the box.



Jacob Sakdarak (Beaky Duckling) is egg-tra excited to waddle onto the stage as Beaky Duckling in *Honk! Jr.* With energy that never seems to run out (seriously, does he have a battery pack?), Jacob brings plenty of quacks, laughs, and charm to the flock. Known for learning choreography at lightning speed, and sometimes other people's parts just for fun, he's ready to flap his wings and steal a few smiles. When he's not rehearsing, Jacob is busy turning his house into a full-on musical with his sister Taylor. Together, they're basically a 24/7 soundtrack, no speakers needed. Get ready...this little duckling might just hatch into your favorite part of the show!



Jocelyn Del Rosario (Bullfrog, Fluff Cast) is thrilled to make her Patio Playhouse debut as The Bullfrog in *Honk Jr!* Some of her favorite past roles include Young Fiona in *Shrek*, Lavender in *Matilda*, Young Kangaroo in *Seussical Jr.*, and Dippy in *Anything Goes*. These are just a few of the many characters she has loved bringing to life on stage. Jocelyn would like to thank her family, friends, directors, and cast members for their support and encouragement.



Actor Profiles



Juju Hutton (Frog Ensemble) is eight years old and heading into third grade in the fall. This is Juju's third summer participating in Patio Playhouse's Youth Theater program. She is excited to be a member of the frog ensemble. She has previously been cast in ensemble roles in *Princess Whatsername*, *Winnie the Pooh Kids*, and *Willy Wonka*. In her free time, she enjoys dancing and singing.



Katerina Monge (Henrietta, Fluff Cast), age 12, is excited to be portraying Henrietta in this production of *Honk*. Since the age of 3, she's been lighting up the stage with her dancing and singing talents. She's been in over 20 productions--this is her 6th with Patio Playhouse. You may remember her as Gladys in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and as Roo in *Winnie the Pooh*. Off stage, she loves gymnastics, literature, her rabbits and cats, and playing games with her family and nearest to her heart, helping to teach and choreograph dances at her dance studio, where she has recently been promoted to the highest level team.



Kieranne Taylor (Grace, Feathers Cast) is excited to be a part of another magical Patio Playhouse production. In her off time, she loves to dance, learn choreo, listen to music, write, paint, and be with friends. She would like to thank Miss Jenn and the entire creative team for the endless hours of work and all the love you each pour into the shows and every cast member. You've all made this such a memorable summer.



Kira Jones (Frog Ensemble) is thrilled to be making her musical theater debut in this production! A first grader who loves school, Kira enjoys learning new things, making friends, and bringing lots of energy wherever she goes. She loves singing, dancing, and putting on performances for her family and friends, and although this is her first experience being in a musical, she was truly born to be on stage. Kira is especially excited to be playing a frog alongside her new friends! Kira would like to thank her directors, teachers, castmates, and family for their encouragement and support. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Actor Profiles



Krysten Limon (Blizzard Dancer), 10, soon to be a fifth grader! She is honored and thrilled to be performing as a blizzard dancer. Some of her past performances include an ocean dancer in *Moana Jr.*, performing on her TCA dance team in winter and spring dance showcases. She continues to take multiple dance classes and singing lessons! She loves performing on stage and wants to thank the cast and crew and Miss Jenn for this fun production, Enjoy the show!



Laynee Grosse (Penny) is excited to be playing Penny in *Honk! Jr.* at Patio Playhouse! She has appeared in multiple Patio Playhouse productions, most recently as an Ensemble member in *Mean Girls* and Sunny the Elf in *The Hullabaloo Chronicles*. Laynee loves spending time with her friends and family and has a passion for all things theater. If you know Laynee, you know there's a good chance you'll find her belting out a song wherever she goes! A true girls' girl, she loves supporting her friends and making people smile. Laynee would also like to give a special shout-out to her beloved hamster, Winnie, who is always waiting to hear about her latest adventures on stage. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Lily Everton-Lovell (Goose/Girl) is happy to be back on stage! She's flying high with a group of fun-loving geese as well as playing the girl on the farm. This is Lily's seventh time being in a Patio Production and she can't wait to show everyone how hard she's worked. Enjoy the show!



Actor Profiles



Lily Silver (Henrietta, Feathers Cast) is going into the fifth grade and is playing the role of Henrietta in *Honk Jr.* She recently played Hei Hei in *Moana Jr.*, an Oompa Loompa in *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, and Tigger in *Winnie the Pooh*, in Patio Playhouse and Classical Academy productions. She is a self-taught ventriloquist, loves cracking jokes, and the stage (with theater friends) is her happy place!



Matteo Cocchia (Barnacles the Goose) is thrilled to be waddling onto the stage as a Goose in *Honk! JR.* At 10 years old, he has been performing with Patio Playhouse since he was six and loves every opportunity to be on stage. Outside of theater, Matteo enjoys playing lacrosse, mastering video games, and having fun with friends. He hopes you enjoy the performance!



Maycee Grosse (Cat Chorus/Blizzard Chours) is thrilled to be performing in *Honk! Jr.* at Patio Playhouse as a Cat in the Cat Chorus and a member of the Blizzard Chorus! She has appeared in many productions at Patio Playhouse, with some of her favorite roles being Little Red Rolling Hood in *Princess Whatsername* and Piglet in *Winnie the Pooh Jr.* When she's not on stage, Maycee loves singing, dancing, and gymnastics. Known for her dramatic personality, she enjoys bringing characters to life and making audiences smile. Maycee would like to thank her family—both blood and chosen (you know who you are!)—for their endless love and support, and God for blessing her with the ability to perform and share her talents with others. Enjoy the show!



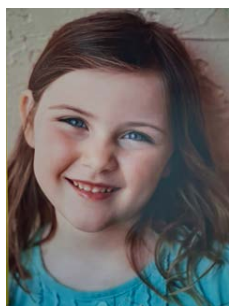
Mia Everton-Lovell (Baby Swan, Cow) is thrilled to be in the production of *Honk Jr.* This is her second time being on stage with Patio Playhouse and she is excited to be the Baby Swan. She's been working hard and can't wait for her family and friends to see the show.



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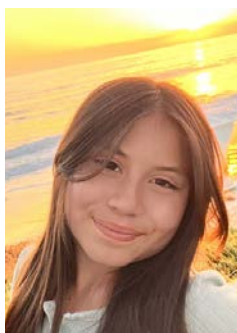
Mila Cocchia (Bewick the Swan) is eight years old and thrilled to be playing a Swan in *Honk! JR.* She has been part of the Patio Playhouse family since she was four and loves performing on stage. Outside of theater, Mila enjoys playing soccer, loves animals, and has fun spending time with her friends. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Myrah Olsen (Goose Ensemble) is so delighted to be apart of her second play with Patio Playhouse. Myrah absolutely loves being on stage and is excited for her comedic goose role in this adorable play. At six years old, she has already really shown how much she was made to perform and has been working hard to entertain you all! Thank you Patio Playhouse for this amazing opportunity to shine!



Natalie Teigen (Ida, Fluff Cast) is thrilled to make her debut at Patio Playhouse! Her previous credits include *Peter and the Starcatcher* and *Finding Nemo*, along with many other productions at MYT. She also performed in *Seussical* with Ovation Theater. When she's not on stage, Natalie hones her craft through tap and jazz classes at Luminary Arts and vocal training with Amy Throckmorton. She is excited to bring her passion for performance to this production and can't wait to share the stage with such a talented cast!



Naya Beresford (Cat, Feathers Cast) is going into seventh grade at Heritage Flex Academy. This is Naya's eighth production. Her favorite role was Olaf in *Frozen*. When Naya is not on stage you may find her at the beach or on the golf course with her siblings. Naya has really enjoyed her experience with Patio Playhouse, meeting new friends, working with Ms. Jenn and the entire production crew.



Actor Profiles



Olive Tran (Billy) is six years old and *Honk Jr.* is her third production with Patio Playhouse. Olive's favorite place to be is on stage with her friends. When she's not at rehearsals, you can find her playing baseball with her brothers, studying voice with her mom, or cracking jokes with her dad. She would like to thank Ms. Jenn and the entire dedicated team at Patio Playhouse for creating such wonderful theater magic and letting her be a part of it all.



Penelope Harper (Goose) is so excited to be apart of *Honk Jr.* as the geese ensemble. Past productions include *Island of Anyplace*, *Princess Whatshername*, *Winnie the Pooh*, *Willy Wonka*, and *Hullabaloo*. Penny would like to thank her family for supporting her, her stage crew for guiding and putting this show together, and most importantly God. Penny hopes you enjoy the show.



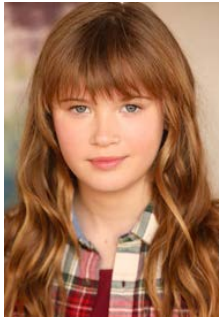
Rosalyn Wu (Cat Ensemble) is eight years old and thrilled to be back at Patio Playhouse for her second show. She absolutely loves cats, so being part of the Cat Ensemble in *Honk!* has been a dream come true! She enjoys singing, dancing, playing with friends, and anything involving cats. She hopes you enjoy the show and thanks her family and everyone at Patio Playhouse for helping make this experience so special.



Rowan Guttiere (Ugly, Fluff Cast) is thrilled to be making his first leading-role appearance as Ugly in *Honk JR!* Previous credits include Peter Pan in *Princess Whatshername*, Roo in *Winnie the Pooh KIDS*, ensemble in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* at Moonlight Amphitheatre, and ensemble roles in *Moana Jr.* and *Finding Nemo Jr.* Rowan is excited to continue his theater journey later this summer as Fletcher in *Freaky Friday*. When he's not on stage, he enjoys Roblox, video games, and spending time with family and friends. He hopes you enjoy the show! HONK!!



Actor Profiles



Rylan McCartney (Bullfrog, Feathers Cast), is extremely proud to be joining the cast of *Honk Jr.*! Rylan is 10 years old, and has been participating in musical theater for 3 years! When she isn't on stage, she enjoys singing at the top of her lungs, reading books, and playing with her Rooster named Carl. Getting to take the stage with all of these talented actors has been a dream! She would like to thank Miss Jenn, and the entire cast and crew for such a wonderful experience!



Savannah Baldwin (Downey) is eight years old and going into third grade. She enjoys being silly and creative. Her recent theater credits include *Moana Jr.* (Baby Moana), *Willy Wonka* (Sugar Cutie), *A Little Princess* (Lottie), *Anne of Green Gables* (Minnie May Barry), and *Princess Whatsername* (Candy Cutie). Savannah has competed in figure skating since she was five years old. Outside of the spotlight, Savannah enjoys spending time with her little brother. Thank you to all the volunteers!



Scarlett Bourus (Cat Ensemble, Blizzard Soloist) is a soon-to-be eighth grader who loves all artistic creative outlets. This is her third show with Patio Playhouse and has loved every experience! She thanks Miss Jenn and all of the cast and crew!



Taylor Sakdarak (Maureen, Feather Cast) is utterly delighted to take the stage as Maureen the Moorhen in *Honk! Jr.* With plenty of sass, sparkle, and just the right amount of bossiness (purely for character purposes... of course), Taylor brings Maureen to life with humor and heart. Whether she's singing, dancing, or making sure everyone's in line, Taylor is having an absolute blast in the pond. When she's not rehearsing, Taylor can be found belting out show tunes and practicing choreography with her brother Jacob because every house needs its own built-in musical. Keep an eye out, Maureen may be small, but she definitely makes a big splash!

Actor Profiles



Tess McDaniel (Snowy, Geese Ensemble) is 10 years old and going into 5th grade. She has been performing in local theater productions since the age of five. This is her third production with Patio Playhouse and she is excited to showcase her talents as Snowy the goose. When she's not on stage, she enjoys gymnastics, hanging out with friends, and spending time with her dogs, Sookie and Pucci. She would like to be a gymnast when she grows up.



Tessa Housken (Grace) is 12 years old and excited to be appearing in her fifth production with Patio Playhouse. Her previous credits include *Anne of Green Gables*, *Winnie the Pooh*, *The Holiday Hullabaloo*, and *Little Women*. In her free time, Tessa enjoys acting, singing, dancing, reading, and all things Taylor Swift. She is delighted to portray Grace, the most regal of the ducklings, and is grateful to be part of this wonderful production.



Wesley Schooler (Drake, Feathers Cast) is 10 years old and loves performing on stage. Past favorite roles include Pinocchio in *Shrek*, Mike TeeVee in *Wonka*, Alex in *The Island of Anyplace*, and Eric in *Matilda*. Outside of theater, Wes loves cooking, rock climbing, watching his brothers play baseball, and swimming. Most of all, he loves playing with his dog Sunny. He would like to thank everyone at Patio for creating such a fun experience! And thank you to his family for all their love and support. Enjoy the show!



Zoey Clevers (Mother Swan) is 12 years old and is thrilled to be performing with Patio Playhouse once again. She loves being on stage, making new friends, and being part of the amazing theater family at Patio Playhouse. When she's not rehearsing, Zoey enjoys spending time with her dog, her little sister, and her mom and dad. She is grateful for their love and support and hopes you enjoy the show!





Creative Team



Jennifer Guttiere (Director and Artistic Director) is the Artistic Director of Patio Playhouse and Drama Teacher for The Classical Academies. A Daytime Emmy Award winner, Jennifer has been directing for over 20 years and is passionate about creating inclusive theater opportunities for performers of all ages. Favorite directing credits include *Mean Girls*, *Moana Jr.*, *Willy Wonka*, *Winnie the Pooh KIDS*, *Anne of Green Gables*, *Humble Boy*, and *Mrs. Claus' Holiday Hullabaloo*. She is especially proud of Patio Playhouse's commitment to providing tuition-free youth theater and thanks the cast, crew, volunteers, and her family for their support.



Tom Clemen Rafanan (Director) is a child therapist in San Diego. Originating from the Big Island of Hawaii, Tom came to California to further hone his skills. After performing in Patio's production of the *Addams Family*, Tom has made a true family at Patio and is forever thankful. Tom has played Seymour in *Little Shop of Horrors* and Damian in *Mean Girls*. Tom is making his directorial debut and is very grateful to Jenn for teaching him the ropes. Hope you enjoy this amazing show that's full of heart!



Leslie Williamson (Producer). Producing *Honk! Jr.* has been such a rewarding experience. It has been incredible helping bring all the pieces of this production together and watching the show come to life. Working alongside our amazing cast, talented creative team, and dedicated parent volunteers has been an absolute joy. Their passion, hard work, and teamwork have made this production truly special. This is my second year serving on the Board of Directors at Patio Playhouse and my first time producing a show. I usually wear the hat of the theater's in-house Prop Master, but for *Honk! Jr.* I decided to try something new—and I'm so glad I did! Thank you to everyone who helped make this production possible. We hope you enjoy the show!

Creative Team



Abbi Hoffpauir (Music Director) is a music director, vocal teacher, and actor local to Escondido. She's worked with a number of arts organizations such as Classical Academy Middle School, Patio Playhouse, Calvin Christian, and The Classical Academies. Some favorite stage credits: Becky in Incident At Our Lady Of Perpetual Help (North Coast Repertory), Cinderella in Into the Woods (Courtyard Shakespeare Festival), Reno Sweeney in Anything Goes (MiraCosta Theater), Roxie Hart in Chicago (Ovation Theatre). Abbi has her Arts Associate in Theatre Arts and will graduate Spring '27 with a Bachelor's in Theatre, Musical Theatre concentration from California Baptist University. Congrats to this amazing, adorable cast!



Alyssa Williamson (Choreography) is Patio Playhouse's resident choreographer and is currently studying at Cal State San Marcos with a child development major and dance minor. This is her eighth musical she has choreographed, most recently Mean Girls with Patio Playhouse and Broadway Babies with Classical Academy. She is beyond proud of this cast and all the hard work they have put in. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Jesse Williamson (Photography) is Patio's in-house photographer and has been capturing show moments since 2023, when his daughters fell in love with performing at Patio Playhouse. He has been married to Leslie Williamson since 2004 and is the proud dad of three daughters, ages 18, 15, and 10. Jesse loves preserving the energy, heart, and behind-the-scenes magic of each production through his photography.



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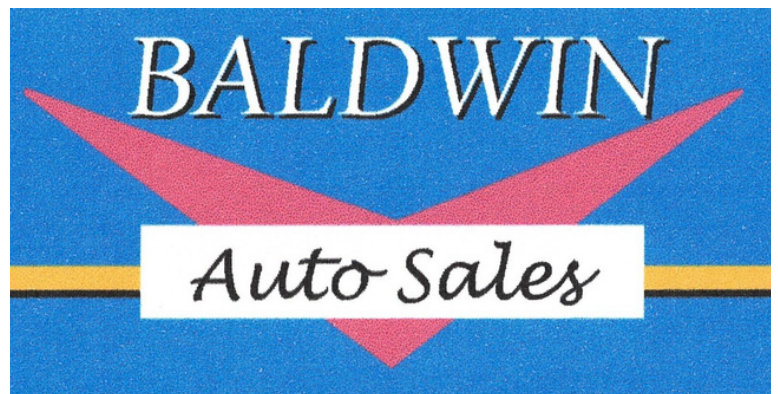
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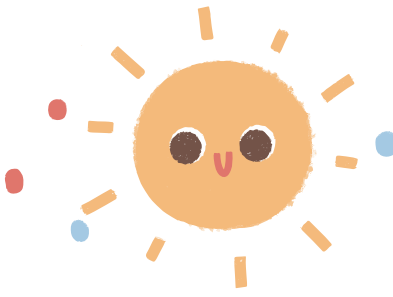
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