The Addams Family MUSICAL

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created by
Charles Addams

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Synopsis

The Addams Family is not your typical family, but they have values just like any other. They may be strange and unusual, but they care about family and being honest with each other. Wednesday is the daughter of the family and she has a secret that she forbids her father, Gomez, from sharing with her mother, Morticia. Wednesday has met a boy, Lucas, from a "normal" family and they are gonna get married! Its time for Lucas' family to meet the Addams, but will the Addams family be a little too weird for them and will the secret Wednesday and Gomez are keeping create a rift in the Addams family?

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Scenes and Musical Numbers

Scene One

Gomez, Morticia, Wednesday, Pugsley,
Grandma, Lurch, Fester, Thing, Cousin It, Ancestors
"When You're an Addams", "Fester's Manifesto"

Scene Two

Gomez, Lurch, Morticia, Wednesday, Grandma, Rat, Ancestors

Scene Three

Pugsley, Wednesday, Gomez, Morticia, Grandma, Rat,
Fester, Lurch, Little Birdie, Principal Ancestors, Ancestors
"Honor Roll", "Pulled", "One Normal Night"

Scene Four

Mal, Alice, Lucas, Fester, Ancestors
"One Normal Night"

Scene Five

Wednesday, Lurch, Mal, Alice, Lucas, Gomez, Morticia, Pugsley,
Grandma, The Rat, Fester, Principal Ancestors, Ancestors
"But Love"

Scene Six

Morticia, Alice, Fester, Principal Ancestors, Ancestors
"But Love"

Scene Seven

Gomez, Lucas, Wednesday, Morticia, Ancestors
"Gomez's What If"

Scene Eight
Wednesday, Lucas, Pugsley, Ancestors

Scene Nine
Pugsley, Grandma, The Rat, Ancestors
"What If"

Scene Ten
Entire Company
"Full Disclosure (Part 1)", *"Full Disclosure (Part 2)"*

Intermission

Scene Eleven
Morticia, Gomez, Grandma, The Rat,
Grim Reaper, Principal Ancestors, Ancestors
"Just Around the Corner",

Scene Twelve
Fester, The Moon, Principal Ancestors, Ancestors
"The Moon and Me"

Scene Thirteen
Gomez, Wednesday, Lucas, Mal, Fester, The Moon,
Alice, Principal Ancestors, Ancestors
"Crazier Than You"

Scene Fourteen
Morticia, Pugsley, Ancestors

Scene Fifteen
Entire Company
"Live Before We Die", *"Finale"*

Addams Family Cast

(In Alphabetical Order by First Name)

Performing 16th, 18th, and 24th - Performing 17th, 23rd, and 25th

Alice Brown.....Principal Ancestor
Allie Middleton.....Alice Beineke
Amelia Kellogg.....Ancestor
Ashleigh Stahl.....Ancestor
Ashlyn Stuppy.....Ancestor
Audrey Woodson.....Ancestor
Ava Piolata.....Ancestor
Avery Everett.....Morticia Addams, Thing, The Moon, Grim Reaper
Camila Rogers.....Ancestor
Dashel Kaszanek.....Ancestor
Dylan Cline.....Principal Ancestor
Elijah Hudson.....Lurch
Ellie Sudowski.....Ancestor
Everly Merriam.....Ancestor
Fran Allen.....Ancestor
Gavin Jacob.....Gomez Addams
Grace Anderson.....Ancestor
Isabelle Bryan.....Alice Beineke
Jaelyn Vermilyea.....Morticia Addams, Thing, The Moon, Grim Reaper
Jameson Schlabs.....Lucas Beineke
Jonas Umana.....Ancestor
Juliet Umana.....Ancestor
Landon Fox-Proctor.....Uncle Fester
Libby Dunn.....Ancestor
Liv Allen.....Ancestor
Logan Goethe.....Wednesday Addams, Cousin It, Little Birdie

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(In Alphabetical Order by First Name)

Performing 16th, 18th, and 24th - Performing 17th, 23rd, and 25th

Madison Holmes.....Ancestor
Miles Smith.....Ancestor
Olivia Polson.....Principal Ancestor
Olivia Wurtele.....Principal Ancestor
Peyton Seighman.....Principal Ancestor
Quinnlee Ashby.....Ancestor
Rory Hall.....Grandma, The Rat
Ruby Fischer.....Ancestor
Savannah King.....Principal Ancestor
Taylor Price.....Ancestor
Teagan Kroemer.....Wednesday Addams, Cousin It, Little Birdie
Wren Blanchard.....Grandma, The Rat
Wyatt Graham.....Pugsley Addams
Zachariah Reardon.....Mal Beineke



Alice Brown — Principal Ancestor

My name is Alice Brown. I am twelve years old and I love acting, art, and animals. I have two pets, a dog and a cat, and I love them so much. My dog's name is Heidi and my cat's name is Queso. I love coming to Bluffton Youth Theatre every day because everyone is so kind and I can see all of my friends. Everybody is so kind and I am so excited I get to be a part of the show.

Allie Middleton — Alice Beineke

My name is Allie Middleton, I'm 12 years old and I'm so happy to be back with BYT for my 4th show! A recent role I played was Gabriella Montez in High School Musical. You will most likely find me singing around the house or playing outside with my friends. I'm super excited to be back with BYT!

Amelia Kellogg — Ancestor

I love playing Barbie, and swimming and dancing. I have a great personality and love working with others.

Ashleigh Stahl — Ancestor

Hi! My name is Ashleigh Stahl I'm 12 years old and the tallest kid in my class! I have 3 dogs and 2 cats that I live with! I have wanted to do hair since I was a little girl and just got my first perm. When I was 10 I had pink in my hair to go to the Pink concert! I have always wanted to be in a play and I already know all the characters from the Addams Family. I'm can't wait to meet everyone and make new friends!

Ashlyn Stuppy — Ancestor

Ashlyn loves musicals and has seen several, most recently seeing 2 shows in New York. Ashlyn looks forward to learning more about being on stage and what it takes to make the show happen on and off stage.

Audrey Woodson — Ancestor

I'm Audrey and I'm a 5th grader at Pritchardville Elementary. This is my third show with BYT. I've also performed in Annie and High School Musical. I love reading, ballet, and sharks!

Ava Piolata — Ancestor

I love theatre because I like hanging out with my friends. I like to be creative. I have 2 sisters and I'm the middle child. I've been in Annie, Wizard of Oz and Winnie the Pooh. I'm very excited for the Addams Family.

Avery Everett — Morticia Addams

Hi! My name is Avery Everett. I'm 13 years old and I go to Hilton Head Island Middle School! This will be my 17th show here at BYT! My, by far, favorite roles have been Delia in Beetlejuice, Ursula in The Little Mermaid and Sharpay in High School Musical. My favorite thing about being in shows here is making so many new friends and getting to perform with them! I love to act and sing, and I also like to read. A fun fact about me is that I chipped my tooth during The Little Mermaid!!

Camila Rogers — Ancestor

My name is Camila and I'm 10. I have 2 dogs and 2 cats. I love acting, art, reading, and sports. I can act out different emotions easily and love to act on stage! I was a cheerleader and brainiac in High School Musical this summer and I loved it. I'm totally addicted now and want to do more plays.

Dashel Kaszanek — Ancestor

My name is Dashel Kaszanek and I am new to acting! I am 11 years old and even though I am new to the stage, I love writing stories, plays and skits at home and acting with my puppet collection. My favorite movie genres are adventure and comedy. I love to make people laugh. My happy place is Disneyworld and one day I'd love to travel to all the Disney parks in the world!

Dylan Cline — Principal Ancestor

Hi my name is Dylan Cline. I am 11 years old and I'm going into the sixth grade at Hilton Head Island Middle School. This is my second show at BYT. My previous show was High School Musical. My favorite part about being in theatre is that I can express myself easily and transform into any character I can dream up. A fun fact about me, when I was 6, I was playing with face paint and dyed my face blue while dressing up as an ice queen.

Elijah Hudson — Lurch

BYT is a wonderful home to my eccentricities and daydreams. I love being part of this very energetic and dramatic chosen family. Loving old fashioned black & white movies, suits and ties and being crazy, I just know I'm going to enjoy this show more than any of the many others that I have loved being part of ...it covers one of my favorite subjects "marriage" and definitely delivers on my motto that "normal is just an illusion"!

Ellie Sudowski — Ancestor

Hi I'm Ellie! I've been with BYT for 4 years. I've had a wide variety of roles but my favorite is when I get to play a funny role. I'm the middle child of many kids and I love having a big family. BYT is super special because my uncle lives with me and he has Down Syndrome. BYT is a magical place where people like him are welcome. After 4 years with BYT, they are a part of my big family too!

Everly Merriam — Ancestor

My name is Everly. I am from Massachusetts. I have 2 older sisters. I love to sing and recently won a talent show trophy. I really really love theatre and had fun in High School Musical. I love pink and green!

Fran Allen — Ancestor

In my free time, I like to draw and write short stories. I've been dancing at Carolina Collective since I was five and I like to perform ain the Nutcracker. I like to go thrifting with my mom and sisters to see what kind of vintage and antique items we can find.

Gavin Jacob — Gomez Addams

Hi, my name is Gavin and I am 13 years old. I have been in 10 other BYT shows and am very excited to be in my 11th. My favorite roles have been Sebastian in Little Mermaid, Cowardly Lion in The Wizard of Oz, and Cogsworth in Beauty and the Beast. I love doing theatre and spending time with my theatre friends. I would like to thank all my friends, family, and BYT for helping me find my passion, theatre. I can't wait to perform this amazing show of Addams Family.

Grace Anderson — Ancestor

My name is Grace and I'm 11 years old. I am a 6th grader at River Ridge Academy. I have been in 4 shows with BYT. My favorite shows were High School Musical and Wizard of Oz. I love theater because I can spend time with my friends and do everything I love on stage. My hobbies are crafting, bedazzling, jewelry making and cooking. I can't wait to be in Addams Family.

Isabelle Bryan — Alice Beineke

Hey I'm Isabelle! I'm 12 years old and I'm going into the seventh grade. This is my seventh show at BYT and I hope there are many more! Some of my favorite musicals are of course SIX, Heathers, and Mean Girls! Enjoy the show!!

Jaelyn Vermilyea — Morticia Addams

Hi! My name is Jaelyn Vermilyea and I'm 12 years old. I attend Hilton Head Island Middle School and I am in 7th grade! My favourite past role has been Ariel in the Little Mermaid! This is my 7th show at Bluffton Youth Theatre. I've been in The Little Mermaid, Beetlejuice, Rudolph, Wizard of Oz, School of Rock, and High School Musical! I enjoy being able to express myself on stage through singing and acting! In my free time I enjoy hanging out with my friends. I am so grateful I have had the opportunity to act with such amazing people and I am so thankful to be a part of the BYT family!

Jameson Schlabs — Lucas Beineke

Hi! I'm Jameson Schlabs, and I am a homeschooled freshman. This marks my 10th show with the fantastic Bluffton Youth Theatre. Some of my favorite hobbies are playing the piano and organ, traveling, singing, learning, and most importantly, acting! I have loved being a part of this theatre because of its uniqueness, talent, learning, and the friends I have made. Fun fact: I sang "God Bless America" at a Savannah Ghost Pirates Game! Thanks for coming to the show! Enjoy!

Jonas Umana — Ancestor

Hello I'm Jonas. I have done one play before for Bluffton Youth Theater and I'm very excited to do another one. So a little about me: I'm starting middle school this year. I have a pet turtle named Squirtle. Some of my hobbies include riding my bike, catching animals in the back yard and releasing them, hanging out with friends and my siblings. I'm really excited to do theater and perform in the Addams Family play.

Juliet Umana — Ancestor

Hey, I'm Juliet! This is the second play I've been in. I really enjoyed performing and am excited to do another play.

Landon Fox-Proctor — Uncle Fester

Hi! My name is Landon Fox-Proctor. I am 11 years old. I'm in 6th grade. I attend River Ridge Academy. This is my 7th BYT show. My favorite part about theatre is seeing my friends and being on stage! I love performing, singing and dancing. My favorite shows I have been in at BYT are High School Musical and School of Rock! I am obsessed with all things WWE. I have been to 2 WWE events in 2026. Time to get ready to sit back, relax and enjoy the show!

Libby Dunn — Ancestor

Libby is thrilled to creep, crawl, and lurk onto the stage for The Addams Family! Currently terrorizing the 5th grade, she is no stranger to dramatic mischief or bizarre adventures. You may have previously spotted her roaming the orphanages of Annie, skipping down the yellow brick road in The Wizard of Oz, or dodging fur-obsessed villains in 101 Dalmatians. When she isn't busy perfecting her theatrical dark arts, Libby loves acting, playing, and conspiring with her beloved dog, who serves as her loyal partner in crime. She is beyond excited to join this delightfully spooky cast and promises to bring mayhem to the stage!

Liv Allen — Ancestor

After being obsessed with horses since I was 2 years old I finally started taking riding lessons this year. I volunteer multiple times a week at the stables and hope to find a career when I grow up that involves horses. My first show with BYT was Beauty and the Beast and it was the best! I can't wait to make new memories and friends in this next show!

Logan Goethe — Wednesday Addams

Hi! I'm Logan and I'm 13 years old and I attend Bluffton Middle School in the 8th grade! This is my 13th show with BYT, some of my favorite shows and roles have been Miss Hannigan in Annie Kids, Ariel in Little Mermaid Jr, Barbara Maitland in Beetlejuice Jr, and Sharpay in High School Musical! My favorite hobbies are singing and doing art, one fun fact about me is I'm 13 years old doing my 13th show with BYT! I'm infinitely grateful for everyone I've met through BYT and everything I've learned in the past 3 years. I hope you enjoy the show!

Madison Holmes — Ancestor

I was born and raised in Oregon until I relocated to Bluffton in 2023. Some of my favorite hobbies include making arts and crafts, reading, traveling with my family, playing board games and expanding my cooking skills. I've been in 2 plays before and discovered I really enjoy theatre!

Miles Smith — Ancestor

I am 9 and in the 3rd grade at Creative Arts Elementary. I love to act, go camping, build Legos and watch movies. This is my 7th show!

Olivia Polson — Principal Ancestor

My name is Olivia and this is my 16th show with Bluffton Youth Theater! Its hard to believe it. My very first show was in 2022, in "The Christmas Carol", and I was most recently in "High School Musical," where I played Ms. Darbus. My favorite role has been Flounder in "The Little Mermaid" and my most challenging role was the Wicked Witch in "The Wizard of Oz," because I'm not wicked! I'm a 7th grader at H.E. McCracken Middle School and am in all advanced classes. I'm hoping to try out for the school's softball team this year. When I'm not at theater or hanging out with my theater friends (which is pretty much all the time), I'm probabaly traveling (most likely in Disney World), in the kitchen cooking or baking, doing arts or crafts, or with my friends at church.

Olivia Wurtele — Principal Ancestor

My name is Olivia. I am 12 years old and I love singing and acting. I have been in four shows. Three shows at my school and one with BYT. I was a lead role in my schools show Disney's Dare to Dream and had to sing 2 songs! I love to travel. I have been to Japan and Europe and a lot of the states. I really enjoyed being in High School Musical and can't wait to be in the next show!

Peyton Seighman — Principal Ancestor

My name is Peyton Seighman, and I'm so excited to be performing in my sixth show at BYT! My favorite role so far has been Mrs. Darbus in High School Musical. I love to sing and dance for fun! When I'm not on stage, you'll probably find me cheerleading, baking, or hanging out with my friends. I love meeting new people, making my friends laugh, and having fun. I am very grateful to my parents because they have to encouraged me to get here! I hope you enjoy the show!

Quinnlee Ashby — Ancestor

Thank you for coming to our awesome play! Please come to see all of the rest of the plays, too! My favorite color is peachy pink and I am “peached” to be here! I am here because I love everyone at BYT, including the kind staff. Enjoy the show and buy raffle tickets and snacks to help us fundraise, please. Q - out!

Rory Hall — Grandma

My name is Rory Hall I am in 6th grade. Some previous shows I have done are Peter Pan, Allison in Winterland, The Wizard Of Oz, Beauty and the Beast, Beauty Lu and the County Beast, Jack and the Bean Stalk, Finding Nemo and 101 Dalmatians. My favorite hobbies are art and theatre. Fun fact I have a dog, cat and a hamster. Hope you enjoy the show!

Ruby Fischer — Ancestor

Ever since I was born, I have always loved nature. For fun I like to ride my bike, tell stories, and sing and dance, which brings me here. Everyday after camp or school, I’ll go put on a headset and attach it to my Alexa, I’ll play songs and I’ll start practicing singing for my alone time. Drawing is another passion of mine I can draw many things, I especially like drawing the night sky and sunsets. I love riding my bike all over my neighborhood, searching for my friends to play all the time.

Savannah King — Principal Ancestor

Hi! My name is Savannah King and I'm twelve years old. I moved to Hilton Head Island this summer from Alabama, but I'm originally from Bristol, Tennessee. This is my first production with Bluffton Youth Theater, but I was also in The Wizard of Oz Youth Edition and Dare to Dream Jr. My favorite thing about doing theater is it's fun, the people are very nice, and I really like to sing! My favorite hobby is reading. A fun fact about me is I play the violin.

Taylor Price — Ancestor

My name is Taylor. I am 8 years old and in 3rd grade. I love to listen to music and dance. I have a dog named Penny.

Teagan Kroemer — Wednesday Addams

Hi, I'm Teagan and I'm 10 years old! I am in 5th grade and I am homeschooled. This is my 10th show at BYT! My favorite roles have been Clarice in Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, Aunt Em in Wizard of Oz, and Taylor McKessie in High School Musical. I love to sing, go squishy hunting, and hang out with my friends!

Wren Blanchard — Grandma

Wren Blanchard is a famous Scottish menace with two parents and two dogs. She is always making videos for her YouTube channel, Wrenace the Menace.

Wyatt Graham — Ancestor

I have ridden the tallest roller coaster in America and the tallest water slide in North America. I like acting. I was just in High School Musical. I can say the world's hardest tongue twister. The sixth sick sheep's sixth sheik's sick. These are my passions.

Zachariah Reardon — Mal Beineke

Hello there! My name is Zachariah and I am 17 years old. I am a senior at John Paul II Catholic School. (Yes, I'm looking forward to school being out when I graduate.) I've been with BYT for 2 1/2 years now, and I've played the music for some of their shows as well as act in some others. Past shows I've done are: Willy Wonka JR., Alice in Wonderland JR., Grease (school version), Beauty and the Beast JR., The Little Mermaid JR., Beetlejuice JR., Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer JR., Into the Woods (at JPII), and School of Rock Young Actors Edition. My favorite part of being in the theatre is the music, the satisfaction of the final product, and playing funny/"all out" roles. I like to sing, play the organ and piano, and eat food. I also really like to film elevators and post them to YouTube (check out @mr.z_elevators to find out more). A fun fact about me is that I have perfect pitch. For example, I could tell what note is being played on a piano or tell what pitch an air conditioner noise is. I really hope you enjoy(ed) the show, and I'm wishing you a God-blessed day.



Teagan, we are so proud of all your hard work and we can't wait to watch your spook-tacular performance!

Love your "kooky" family,
Mom, Dad, Adam, Raelee, Miles, Brooks, Baba, Grammy, Aunt Meaghan, Uncle James, Cooper, Delilah, Uncle Casey, Uncle Colin, Uncle Shane, Aunt Becky, Peyton, Abbey, Uncle Connor, Aunt Bridget, Charlie, Uncle RJ, Aunt Bridget, Henry, Harper, Uncle Brett, Aunt Tris, Aunt Kelsey, and Uncle Richard



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Gavin we are so excited to see you in the role of Gomez and to watch you in your 11th BYT production!

Keep reaching for the stars and shining bright!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Grayson, Graham and Rex

Addams Family Crew

Director and Choreographer.....Cynthia Ford
Assistant Director.....Natalie Miller
Costume Designers.....Lindsay and Lanie Miller
Prop Master.....Kimberly Reardon
Scenery Designers.....Sharon and Alanna Hiscock
Set Designer.....Lacey Everett
Lighting Director.....Natalie Miller
Sound Technicians.....Ronan Varley and MJ Hall
Music Technicians.....Allie Middleton and Isabelle Bryan

Thank you to the Tenwolde Family for sponosring the cost of the Addams Family playbill!

Thank you to all the talented actors who shared their expertise with our cast: Meredith Inglesby and Steve Blanchard, Daniel and Debbie Cort, and Alex Clark and Mark Erickson!







About our Founder and Director



Cynthia was born in 1957 in Yonkers, New York. Her father was a doctor and a Chinese immigrant who was married to her mother, who was Dutch. Growing up with not only an immigrant father, but parents in an interracial relationship in the 60s and seeing the difference in how they were treated made her wonder why it had to be that way. Then, in 1965, her youngest sister, Jane-o, was born. Jane-o was born with Down Syndrome and, at that time, it was common to send them away to be institutionalized as they were seen as "broken". However, her father didn't agree with the practice and Jane-o was raised by her family. Seeing how different people were treated, like her sister, had Cynthia wondering, "Aren't all people just people?"

Throughout her childhood and teenage years, Cyndy pursued dance and even interned under a renowned dance teacher from London. However, when she went to college, her father told her dance doesn't pay. So, instead, she pursued Zoology with a goal to become a doctor like her father. Her passion for the arts never left though and with her little free time she was involved with community theatres and even spent time in underprivileged schools and helped them build up their theatre program so all youth could have access to the arts. When she finished her undergraduate, Cynthia realized that, although as a doctor she would be helping people which was her passion, she wouldn't have time to truly help people the way she wanted and felt was needed. So instead she chose to pursue a Masters in Education, specifically in Special Education, encouraged by Jane-o whom she had begun taking full care of.

During her time at college, Cynthia's life was changed when she met Jesus. After learning more about who He was, she understood that God teaches just as she has always believed - no person is a mistake, or broken, and doesn't deserve to be treated as such. She wanted to share this belief with others and began in the church where she changed the viewpoint of what it meant to worship for many people. Eventually she would begin traveling with different dance troupes, spreading her message to a variety of churches and conferences.

Eventually in the 80s, shortly before her first daughter was born, Cynthia opened her first dance school so that she could reach even more people. Dance was for everyone and she wanted to make sure of that. Later on, she grew into more than just dance and expanded into theatre as well. She spent many years teaching and training students in the arts and, before moving to South Carolina in 2009, she had already influenced thousands of lives.

A Note from Our Director

Welcome, and thank you for joining us for The Addams Family! It is a joy to share this wonderfully weird, delightfully dark, and surprisingly heartfelt story with you. I hope you laugh, enjoy the music and choreography, and perhaps see this unusual family in a slightly different light.

Of all the musicals and plays I have directed, choreographed, and acted in, The Addams Family is one of my favorites. Yes, "they're creepy and they're kooky," but beneath all the eccentricity is something I believe every family needs: unconditional love. Gomez and Morticia are fiercely devoted to one another, showing passion, respect, encouragement, and genuine support. Their relationship reminds me of the beautiful Biblical picture of a husband loving his wife as Christ loves the church. Wednesday and Pugsley are wonderfully, unapologetically themselves. Their parents don't try to crush their uniqueness or force them to conform. Instead, they guide them with love and patience while allowing them to discover who they are. As a person of faith, I believe God created each of us uniquely and intentionally. That belief reminds me that families and communities should be places where people feel welcomed, accepted, encouraged, and free to become who they were created to be.

That is one of the things I treasure most about BYT. Over the years, I have watched theatre become more than a stage. It becomes a place where young people find their voices, discover their gifts, build friendships, learn to trust one another, and realize that they have a place where they belong. In many ways, BYT becomes its own kind of family. I have seen that spirit in this cast. Through long rehearsals and plenty of hard work, they have shown commitment, respect, encouragement, and honor toward one another. They have embraced each other's differences and created something truly special together. Watching that happen is one of the greatest joys of directing. The Addams family isn't perfect, and neither am I. I am still learning every day, asking God to help me love, forgive, encourage, and accept others more fully. Perhaps the Addams family isn't so strange after all. They remind us that being different can be celebrated, that love can be unconditional, and that everyone deserves a place where they belong.

Thank you for being here, for supporting BYT, and for celebrating these remarkable young people with us. Whatever brings you through these doors tonight, I hope you leave with a smile, a little more joy, and perhaps a reminder of the beautiful things that can happen when we make room for one another.

Now, sit back, enjoy the show, and welcome to the Addams family!

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Grace, keep being you!

We can't wait to see your version of an ancestor in The Addams Family.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Ben

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About Bluffton Youth Theatre

BYT is a non-profit theatre company started in 2015 by Cynthia Ford with the help of her husband, Greg, and daughter, Jennifer. Before moving to South Carolina in 2009, Cynthia had already been involved with the performing arts for over 30 years and ran her own studio for much of that time. Upon coming to the south, Cynthia noticed that there were a lack of theatres specifically for youth in the area, and none that were accepting of the special needs community or beginners to the arts. So, she decided to start her own so that everyone could have the opportunity to be a part of the arts.

In recent years, theatre companies have become more abundant in the Lowcountry and the surrounding area, but how are we different? We are unique in that we blend those with special needs with those that are deemed typical, training them to perform in 5-star productions. No matter a youth's challenges be they intellectual or physical, whether non-verbal, autistic, or laden with severe anxiety, everyone is cast as an integral part of the live performances. We have an overwhelming number of positive testimonials from parents of both typical and atypical youth as well as audience members stating that the shows and experience they gained, are first rate. Many have viewed and even participated in other professional theatre companies and without a doubt, BYT is equal to and even surpasses their expectations. BYT is not only a benefit to all youth, no matter their challenges, but a much needed benefit to the community. Most organizations cater strictly to typical youth and others mainly to atypical youth; BYT's blending is truly one-of-a-kind, all-inclusive environment where "different" is not seen.

Over
1,300
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Average of
35%
Atypical Youth in Our Programs

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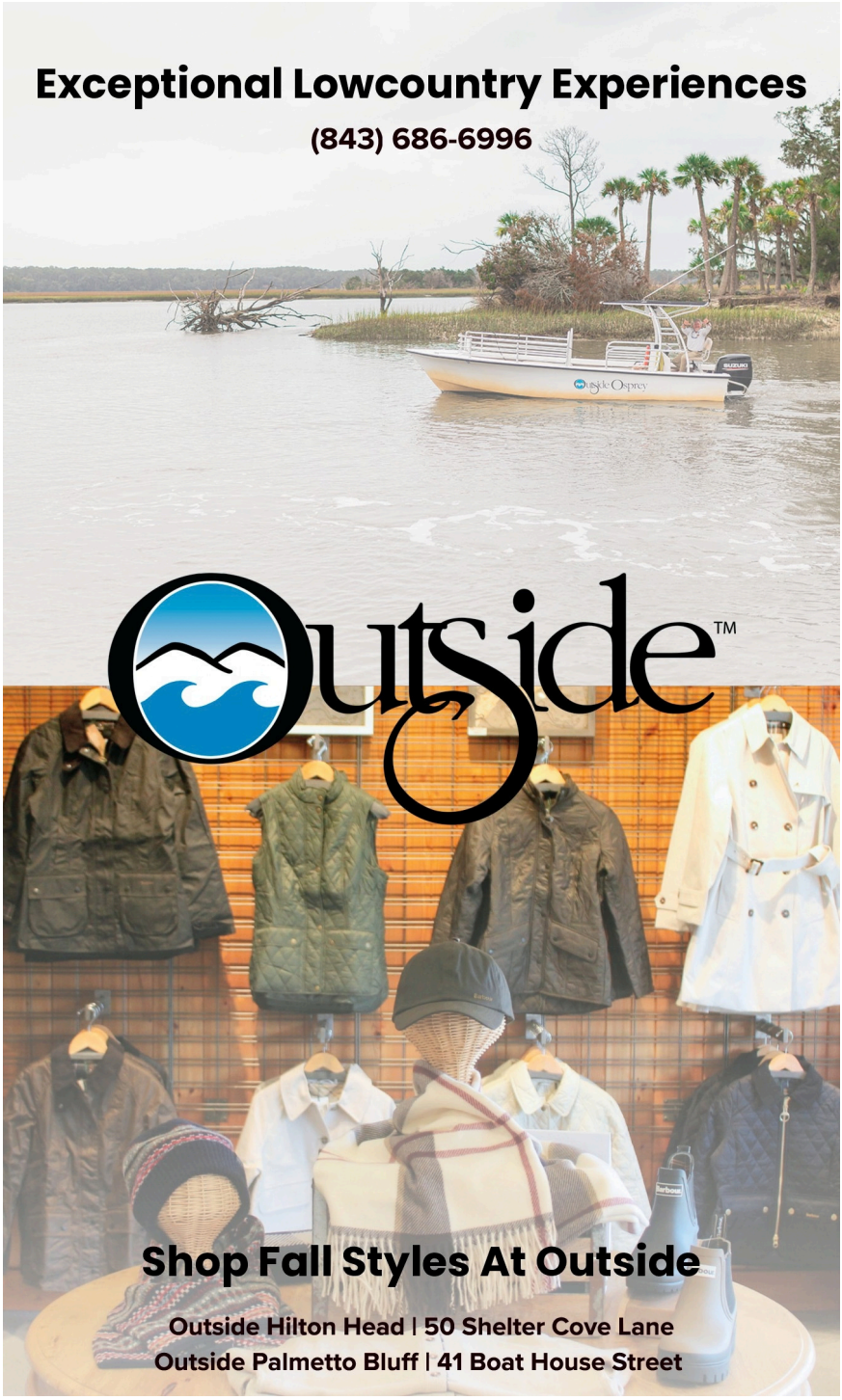






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