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Founded in 1998, Oregon Conservatory of Performing Arts was founded by two local high school teachers felt there was a need to offer kids theatre experiences beyond what was found in the public schools, where arts were being curtailed or eliminated. The two brought together a number of artists and teachers to bring the arts alive in the lives of students.

Our Mission

The mission of the Oregon Conservatory of Performing Arts is to keep the performing arts alive and within reach of everyone in our community.

Our Values

We believe that all young people should have the opportunity to experience the theatre arts — that a complete education involves knowledge of the arts and participation in them. We teach the process of theatre, helping kids develop self-esteem and communication skills through creativity and teamwork.

Be a part of OCPA!

We watch all this fabulous talent up on stage today, but we know where it really comes from:

YOU!

Kids can't be this great without fantastic people supporting them behind the scenes. It takes a lot of dedication and effort to keep healthy, happy, active kids going and fully engaged.

Our OCPA board of directors is small but mighty, and we have a lot of fun doing a lot of work. We donate our time and our resources to help make these performance opportunities possible.

But we need your help!

Do you have light work skills that could help us keep the magic going? We are looking for some specific skills that could help OCPA take that next step into a fully-staffed year-round conservatory. If you are someone with a skill that you'd like to share for just a few hours each month, please stop by the lobby or give us a call. We are always looking for like-minded people who want to contribute to OCPA's success. Find out how much fun you can have helping make someone's dreams come true!

Zombie Prom

Zombie Prom is a 1950s horror comic book brought to life as a musical comedy film. It is a campy, rollicking, romp through America's "Atomic Age" and the "Golden Age" of horror comic books. Here's the story...

Set in the fabulous '50s, this is the tale of a sweet teenage girl named, TOFFEE (a Gidget-type) and her "rebel without a cause" boyfriend, JONNY. The two meet at Enrico Fermi High School and fall in love, but the principal, MISS DELILAH STRICT (Stalin in pumps and a dress!) intervenes, persuading the indecisive young Toffee to break up with Jonny. Tortured by the betrayal, Jonny drives his motorcycle to the near-by Francis Gary Powers Nuclear Power Plant and flings himself into a nuclear cooling tower!

Guilt ridden and alone, Toffee mourns the loss of her love, until one day when Jonny returns, risen from the dead - AS A TEENAGE NUCLEAR ZOMBIE! The mass of decomposing flesh professes his love and tells Toffee that he wants her back. He plans to clean up his act, finish school and take her to the senior prom - if she'll have him. Toffee is racked with indecision, but worst of all Miss Strict refuses to allow "zombie scum" in her fine institution. She clearly states that "The satanic walking dead are strictly prohibited at Enrico Fermi High." She even threatens to cancel the senior prom if anyone is caught supporting the "cadaver's cause."

At the same time, word of this conflict reaches EDDIE FLAGRANTE, a slick sensationalist TV show host, who loves a lost cause. Eddie arrives at the school with his film crew to cover the story and make a "cause celebre" out of Jonny - "This sounds like a clear-cut case of Zombie Civil Rights!" But once he arrives, we see that he and Miss Strict share a past, shrouded in an elusive mystery.

As crisis takes hold of the school, the following questions are raised - Will Toffee take Jonny back? Will Miss Strict let Jonny come back and finish school, or will she cancel Senior Prom, ruining the most important night in the lives of the students of Enrico Fermi High!?



CAST

Miss Strict **Rachel Martino**
Principal of Enrico Fermi High

Students of Enrico Fermi High School

Toffee **Jenna Jacobsen**
Candy **Grace Norton**
Coco **Emma Pruitt**
Peaches **Briemann Fitch**
Ginger **Emily Christiansen**
Little Debbie **Gabriella Gauthier**
Muffin **Abby Christiansen**
Kitkat **Abby Whitt**
Rose **Jamie Way**
Megan **Maria Silcott**
Veronica **Morgynn Stedman**
Jonny **James LaFond**
Joey **Jacob McClure**
Josh **Connor Greager**
Jake **Jacob Reher**



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Toffee's Mom Emily Christiansen
Toffee's Dad Jacob McClure

Eddie Flagrante Liam Atkins
Reporter for Expose Magazine

Sheila, Eddie's secretary.....Abby Whitt

TV Stage Manager Morgynn Stedman
TV Announcer Jacob Reher
Darla Darlington Abby Whitt

Motorwise Dancers
 **Abby Christiansen**
 **Gabriella Gauthier**
 **Jamie Way**
 **Maria Silcott**



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SCENES & SONGS

Scene 1--At Enrico Fermi High School

Enrico Fermi High - Students

Ain't No Goin' Back - Toffee, Jonny & Students

Scene 2--At the Office of Expose Magazine / Enrico Fermi High

Jonny Don't Go To The Nuclear Plant - Toffee & the Girls

Scene 3--The Main Hallway at Enrico Fermi High

Blast From The Past - Jonny & Students

Scene 4--The Office of Expose Magazine

Scene 5--The Yard at Enrico Fermi High

Scene 6--The Main Hallway

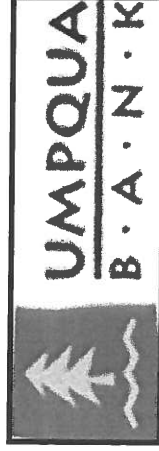
It's Alive - Jonny & Miss Strict

Scene 7--The Gym

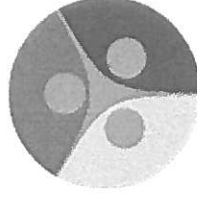
Where Do We Go From Here? - Jonny, Toffee & Students

Trio (Case Closed) - Eddie, Miss Strict & Jonny

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Thank You!

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Scene 8--The School / Eddie's Office

Scene 9--A Television Studio

Come Join Us - Darla & Eddie

How Can I Say Goodbye To Love? - Jonny & the Boys

Scene 10--In Toffee's Bedroom

Easy To Say - Toffee & the Girls

Scene 11--The Prom

Isn't It - Students

Miss Strict's Confession - Miss Strict & Eddie

Zombie Prom - Entire Cast



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Cast Bios

(in order by first name)...

Abby Christiansen (Guy & Motorwise Dancer) is 13 years old and is going into the 8th grade at Hedrick Middle School. This will be her 6th time participating in OCPA summer camps. She enjoys playing soccer and basketball.



Abby Whitt (Girl, Sheila & Darla Darlington) is 13 years old, heading into her 8th and final year at Madrone Trail. This is her 2nd show with OCPA and she is very excited to be apart of the Zombie Prom cast. When she is not acting she can be found procrastinating, reading, or hiding from the outdoors.



Brieann Fitch (Peaches) is 14 years old and this is her first play. She enjoys soccer, writing and drawing. She also loves food and would like to like to thank her dog for being awesome.



Connor Greager (Josh) is a 10th grader at South Medford High. He was involved with OCPA last year in the modern adaptation of *Pride and Prejudice*. When he's not onstage he's an astronaut who impersonates Elvis on other planets. He would like to thank his family and all the plants & animals on earth.



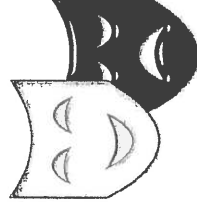
Tamara Marston (Director/Musical Director) has been an actor, singer and director in the Rogue Valley for over 25 years, and is delighted to be back at OCPA this summer, after having served as Music Director for *Bye Bye Birdie* back in 2003. Recently, she's worked as Music Director for several shows at Teen Music Theatre of Ore-

gon, including *Tarzan*, *Music Man* and *Annie*. As an actor, she has appeared in many productions at the Oregon Cabaret Theatre, including *Cindy Rella*, *Nunsense*, *Kathy and Mo*, and *Parcel From America*; other productions in the valley include *Woody Guthrie's American Song*, *The Odd Couple*, *Jacques Brel is Alive and Well* and *Nickeled and Dimed*. Tami is also a choir director and audio book narrator.

Josh Killingsworth is a voice teacher, performer, and musical director. He teaches lessons to award-winning students of all ages and experience levels and directs small vocal groups in his downtown Medford studio. Josh is a versatile performer, having been awarded full-ride college scholarships for opera performance and also vocal jazz performance. He also runs a singing tele-



gram company (*A Rose and a Song*) and works in local schools with choirs and soloists. Josh will be moving to Portland in September to teach lessons at Westside Music School as well as continuing directing shows and delivering telegrams. He will miss his Medford students tremendously, but is also very excited for the new opportunities.



Break a Leg!

We are so
proud of you,
Abby Whitt!
Love Mom &
Dad

To the BEST
SM Ever!
We love you,
Laura!

You are an amazing
bunch! I've seen
talent & leadership
everywhere!
Congrats, Cast!

Way to go! What a
fantastic show!



Originally from Lake Tahoe, California, Haley has been doing musical theatre and plays for over a decade and has recently graduated with two theatre degrees including a Bachelor's from the University of Nevada Reno. She has performed in musical theatre for over 15 years, and is currently the swing dancer for *Cabaret* at the Oregon Cabaret Theatre. She has choreographed for a number of other children's programs including summer camps and the Nevada Youth Opera, and had lots of fun doing her first camp in Oregon! Learn more at haleyjaneforsyth@gmail.com.



Emily Christiansen (Ginger & Toffee's Mom). This is her 4th show at OCPA and she plans to continue for years to come. In her spare time she enjoys reading, writing, and playing the trumpet. She would like to thank her family for letting her participate in this camp.



Emma Pruitt (Coco) is a spontaneous 14 year old who is currently heading into her Freshman year at North Medford High. This is her 6th production with OCPA. She would like to thank her friends Katie and Shelby for always pushing her to be overdramatic. If you confront Emma please don't call her Emma. You may call her "the Queen." She hopes that you enjoy the show!



Gabriella Gauthier (Little Debbie), also known as Gabi, is 12 years old and is going into the 7th grade. She has been with OCPA for 5 years. She enjoys acting and singing, and other similar creative activities: filming, writing, directing, etc. Other completely random facts about her are... she has a Pomeranian and does not live here in Oregon even though this is where she was born. She is very excited to be here performing! <3



Grace Norton (Candy) is a 7th grader at Hedrick Middle School. She is a new performer with OCPA. She would like to thank her animals that make her happy!

Cast Bios Continued...



Jacob McClure (Joey & Toffee's Dad) has been with OCPA for 3 summers. He has also done other plays with different organizations. When not at camp he enjoys playing soccer, gymnastics, and listening to music. Jacob also loves to embrace his Alaskan side, and being physical in all ways.

Jacob "Jake" Reher (Jake & TV Announcer) is 13, born on a planet 800,000,000 lightyears away on February 29th, 1892. He is super funny and super serious.



James LaFond (Jonny) is a 7th grader at Ashland Middle School. He was born on October 32nd. This is 6th play with OCPA. He has also done 4 school musicals and was recently Shrek in *Shrek: the Musical*.

Jamie Way (Girl & Motorwise Dancer) is 13 and loves to dance, to sing, and to walk her dog.



Jenna Jacobsen (Toffee) is 14. This is her 5th production. The last play she performed in was *The Ever After, A Musical*. Every production she's been in has been with OCPA. Jenna loves to sing and dance. One day, she wants to be a pianist or a professional golfer. She is so happy to be in *Zombie Prom*. Thanks, OCPA!

The fabulous **Maria Silcott**



Morgynn Stedman (Guy & TV Stage Manager) has been in 3 other plays outside of OCPA. She is 14 years old and is going to be a Freshman at South Medford High. Outside of summer camp she enjoys hanging out with family members. She also likes her little brother and sister. She's been in choir and enjoys singing and dancing.

Rachel Martino (Miss Strict) is 12 years old and enjoys reading, writing and drawing. This is her 4th OCPA production, having appeared in *Oliver Twist*, *Sleeping Beauty*, and *Summer Camp*, a *Musical Caper*.

And the Staff...



Laura E. Delgado (Stage Manager) has been with OCPA since 2007. She loves working OCPA Summer Camps as her annual excuse to use her BA in Theater Arts from Portland State. The best part of being SM is using her talents to simply help these youth grow and shine summer after summer. :)



Lane Harrison (Assistant Stage Manager) is a student at SOU. She has been an assistant stage manager there for the department shows, *Winter's Tale*, *She Stoops to Conquer*, and *Little Shop of Horrors*. She has also been a stage manager for *The End* and *The Man with a Flower in his Mouth* for showcases.