

# THUNDER THEATRE CO.

*Desert Vista High School's Theatre Company Newsletter*



## We're almost done...

TTC has finally wrapped up all of our productions for the year and just has banquet and graduation ahead before summer break!

While we are (mostly) done for the year, this issue still has some important reminders, celebrations, and student shout outs before we close out the 2021-2022 school year!

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# MEET OUR MEMBERS

*Check out the columns below to hear from some of our Thunder Theatre Company members about their experiences in Desert Vista Theatre.*

**BELLA PADILLA** (she/her) is a senior in our program and we were so happy that she became so active with TTC this year! You may have seen her on our stage in *Anything Goes*, *Mamma Mia*, *Alice in Wonderland*, and the February 2020 Cabaret Night. You may have also seen her just a little over a week ago as a part of our Senior Directed One Act Festival in *Going to School*.

**BELLA** answered the following question about TTC:

**What has been your most memorable or impactful experience in DV theatre? Why was this the most memorable or impactful?**

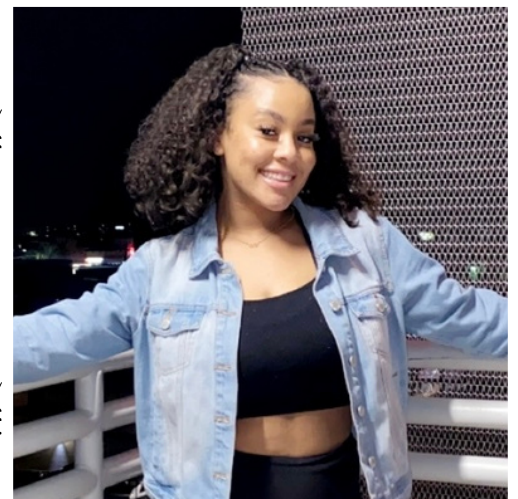
My most memorable experience in TTC was definitely tech week for *Mamma Mia*. Coming out of Covid, it was the first big show most of us had done in almost 2 years so the energy was crazy. As exhausting as it was, it was easy to tell how genuinely excited everybody was about the show. Running the show for the first time in full makeup and costume with tech felt surreal, and getting to watch the whole show come together over that week was amazing. The best day was definitely the night where we spent around 2 hours working on vocals with the whole cast in the choir room, and we ended up just doing the choreography along with the vocals and messing around. People were getting pulled out to try on costumes, so everyone was just singing whatever part was needed at the time. To me, that week really is a perfect example of how strong of a community TTC is, and I'm so grateful to be a part of it.

**KEITAN HANDLEY** (she/her) is another senior in TTC and talented technician in our department. You will have seen her makeup work previously in *The Wizard of Oz*, *You Can't Take It With You*, *Trap*, *Anything Goes*, *A Night of Digital Plays*, *Musical Theatre Showcase*, *Mamma Mia*, *The Last Night of Ballyhoo*, *Alice in Wonderland*, and the 2021 Senior Directed One Act Festival. Most recently, Keitan co-directed *Oh, What A Tangled Web* in this year's Senior Directed One Act Festival (along with Zoey Monnissen).

**KEITAN** answered the following question about TTC:

**What has been your most memorable or impactful experience in DV theatre? Why was this the most memorable or impactful?**

My most memorable experience in ttc was finally getting on stage and being able to play a dead body:) being dramatic is kinda my thing so getting to fall out of a closet as dramatic as possible was pretty cool. Although I have plenty of great experiences I could share that is just one that I think I'll always laugh at..well that and getting stuck in a chair. Anyways live laugh love keikeibears out<3





## Arizona Seal of Arts Proficiency Recipients

The theatre department had 6 seniors earn their Seal of Proficiency in theatre this year through their hard work over the last 4 years. The following students completed 4 years of theatre classes with a 3.0 GPA or higher, met the extracurricular hours requirement, and completed a theatre capstone project.

**Congrats to Marleigh Hickey, Kyleigh Perales, Michael McLoud, Shandi Johnson, Raizel Andaya, and Mariah Vergara!**

## Desert Vista Performing Arts Academy

The theatre department also had 6 seniors earn a place in the DV Performing Arts Academy thanks to the performing arts involvement over the last 4 years. To earn this, students take 4 years of one performing art (their Major) and 2 years of another (their minor) or substitute the minor classes with approved extracurricular involvement.

**Congrats to Marleigh Hickey, Kyleigh Perales, Shandi Johnson, Raizel Andaya, Mariah Vergara, and Greg Panaccione!**

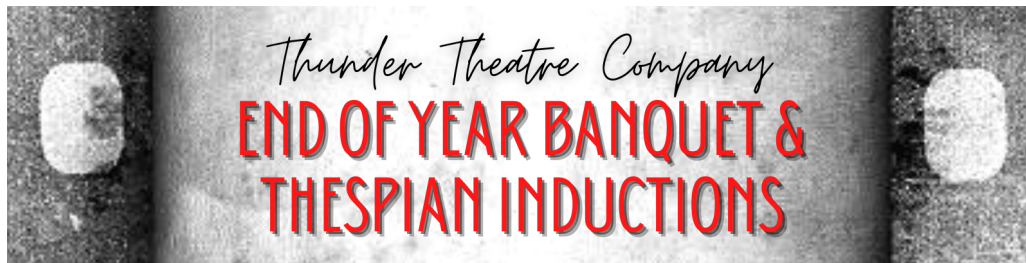


## **Collab-aret - THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone who joined us a couple weeks ago for our first every Collab-aret night on 4/14!

**We raised \$200 for a donation Free Arts this year.**

We can't wait to do this again next year at Mountain Pointe!



**Our 2022 End of the Year Banquet and Thespian Inductions is May 14th!**

This exciting event each year is a **formal** event that is put on together with our Booster organization. We are so excited to celebrate this year with everyone and induct 49 new thespians into our troupe!

*Student and guest RSVPs are now closed*

**At this event, we induct our new Thespians into our troupe, give out awards related to all of the work we have done this year, celebrate our seniors, watch performances, have a slideshow to look back on the year, etc. It's a lovely evening that you won't want to miss!**

*Our End of Year Banquet ceremony will begin at 6pm - doors open at 5:30pm for guests to get their food and find their seats!*



**Click to view our full invitation!**



**Click to audition to perform at Banquet!**





# MEET OUR MEMBERS

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**KEIRA HARRINGTON** (she/her) is new to TTC this year, but we have been so happy to have her join us for her senior year. Keira found her place in our makeup department, working on *Mamma Mia*, *The Last Night of Ballyhoo*, and *Alice in Wonderland* this year.

**KEIRA** answered the following question about TTC:

**What has been your most memorable or impactful experience in DV theatre? Why was this the most memorable or impactful?**

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TTC means to me the word "Family". Family is where no one is left out. TTC is no exception. When you join TTC, the first thing you will notice is that everyone is welcoming. No one feels left out. Even if you are brand new, you feel like you have been there for the same amount of time someone who has been there 4 years. You never feel like you don't belong. TTC easily becomes your second family.

**GREG PANACCIONE** (he/him) is another senior who has been involved in many shows since he began with TTC. You'll have seen him acting in *The Crucible*, *Trap*, all Murder Mysteries, all Senior Directed One Act Festivals, and the March 2019 Improv Show. You'll also have seen Greg's technical work in *The Crucible*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Trap*, *Anything Goes*, *Mamma Mia*, *The Last Night of Ballyhoo*, *Alice in Wonderland*, and the 2019 Senior Directed One Act Festival.

**GREG** answered the following question about TTC:

**What does TTC mean to you?**



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TTC to me has been a place that I have been able to call a second home, in a way. Everyone I have met has been really kind and I have really enjoyed my time here. All the shows have been fun to be apart of and I just hope that the future brings the same kind of energy that TTC has given me these past 4 years, but it will be hard to top it.





## LAST CALL FOR SENIORS! We want to celebrate you!

**Attention Class of 2022!** We are preparing some celebratory posts for our social media in addition to our senior slide show at banquet.

The form linked below will ask you for 3-4 photos in addition to some information about your future plans and favorite TTC memories. The photos we need are a nice/grad photo, 1 or 2 photos from your time in TTC, and a baby photo.

Please complete this form ASAP so that we can start celebrating you! <3

[SENIOR INFO GOOGLE FORM LINK](#)

## Graduation!

This year, TTC has 29 students graduating from Desert Vista! We are so excited for these amazing young adults as they transition out of high school and into whatever adventures that lie ahead for them. We want to thank them for all of their work with us over the last 4 years.

We will be celebrating the Class of 2022 at our Banquet of 5/14 as well as by posting about each of them on the TTC instagram as we count down to graduation!

### **Congrats to the 29 TTC Graduates:**

Andie Jamieson, Amelia Wilson, Bella Padilla, Challen Latham, Charlie Lasek-Vigil, , Elle French, Faith Rabin, Greg Panaccione, Jacey Metts, Jacob Albrechtsen, Jasmin Woodruff, Jax Martin, Jose Rivas, Keira Harrington, Keitan Handley, Kyleigh Perales, Lauren Malmstrom, Logan Schnettler, Mariah Vergara, Marleigh Hickey, Michael McLoud, Morgan Brigham, Raizel Andaya, Sarah Barney, Shandi Johnson, Sophia Rogers, Tabitha York, Parker Anderson, Zoey Monnissen

