



-CAST BIOS-

Hayley Christesson (BOT 2, Khashoggi's Assistant, Gaga Kid, Zapped Bohemian, Rhapsody Dancer) is a 7th grader at Learning Foundation and Performing Arts and is excited to be a part of these amazing rock shows. She is so grateful to be a part of Places! Productions. Over the past few years, she has loved being a member of Ping and Presto and has performed in many productions including *Velveteen Rabbit*, *Shrek the Musical*, *Beauty and the Beast Jr.*, *Type One*, and *Harmony High*. A special thank you to Allison for helping her realize her love of theater!

Ashton Churchill (Buddy, Bohemian, Tapper), 15, pronouns they/them, is very excited to be working with Places! Productions once more to bring you this wonderful show! In the past, they've worked with Places! on shows such as *Beauty And The Beast* as Cogsworth while also tackling other projects simultaneously, namely *Matilda* as Agatha Trunchbull at LFPA, so as you may be able to imagine, it's been a wild ride, but all the incredible and supportive cast and crew members have definitely made it worthwhile and so has our wonderful audience. "Thank you so much for attending our show; I sincerely do hope you enjoy!"

Montanna Coil (Teen Queen 2, Super Yuppie, Gaga Kid, Zapped Bohemian, Bohemian Soloist 3, Rhapsody Dancer) an 8th grader at ALA Queen Creek and was recently seen as Mrs. Darling in their production of *Peter Pan*. She has performed with Places! since the beginning as an orphan in *Annie Jr.* and was last Nursery Fairy in *The Velveteen Rabbit*.

Olivia Dostal (Scaramouche, Bohemian), a senior at Chandler Preparatory Academy is excited to be playing Scaramouche in *We Will Rock You!* Olivia has been performing for 8 years with favorite roles including Jo March in *Little Women*, Margot Frank in *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Places! Productions), and Cinderella in *Into the Woods* (Actors Youth Theater). She enjoys painting, photography, and reading in her free time. She would like to thank the direction team and her friends and family for their support!

Bella Elle (Killer Queen, Bohemian, Musician), age 12, is thrilled to make her debut with Places! Productions! as Killer Queen, playing a villain for her very first time! Bella most recently performed one of her dream roles as “Matilda” with both AYT and Limelight, and she has performed with Phoenix Theatre Co as “Ivanka” in *Once*, and “Gretl” in *The Sound of Music*. She is an active YouTuber, animal lover, and baker. She loves science and art, and she plays the piano, violin, guitar, and ukulele. Bella thanks everyone at Places Productions! for this opportunity, and says “Break Legs” to everyone!

Gabi Etheridge (Quatro, Teen Queen 6, Gaga Kid, Super Yuppie, Rhapsody Soloist 7) is a sophomore at Mountain View High School. She is so excited to be back after recently being seen as Meg in *Little Women*. “Thank you to the whole cast and crew of this production. We hope you enjoy!”

Lindsay French (Brit, Bohemian, Tapper) is 13 years old and currently is in 8th grade at LFPA. She is very excited to be part of this production and would like to thank Allison and the directors for this opportunity. In her free time, she enjoys dance and cheer.

Chloë Gedye (Gaga Student 2, Super Yuppie, Bohemian) is a freshman at Basis Mesa and is so excited to be in *We Will Rock You!* This is her first performance with Places! Productions and her second performance ever. She thanks her parents, her dog Gigi, and the Places! team for this amazing opportunity.

Phoenix Gladney (Buddy, Bohemian) Phoenix has been in three plays recently, including Places! *The Velveteen Rabbit* as Train Engine, and one a long time ago. His hobbies are digital art and playing music. He is a member of Presto and will next be seen as Tin Woodman in East Valley High School's *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*. “Thank you for coming to see us all perform, and have a wonderful time!”

Alec Gordon (Khashoggi, Bohemian), a senior at BASIS Mesa, is pumped to be back with Places! Productions for another show! His past roles consist of Maurice in *Beauty and the Beast*, Judge Hathorne in *The Crucible*, and Mr. Laurence in *Little Women*. He thanks Allison, Rachel, and the whole cast and crew of *We Will Rock You* for an incredible opportunity!

Olivia Haller (Oz, Bohemian) has spent most of her life on stage. This is her eighth Places! performance, following roles in *Annie*, *At the Bandstand!*, *The Happiest Place on Earth*, *Harmony High*, *Alice in Wonderland* (March Hare), *Shrek*, and *Beauty and the Beast* (Lumiere). An eighth-grader at American Leadership Academy, Olivia also sings and dances in the Presto! show choir.



Luca Huish (Paul, Lead Musician, Rhapsody Soloist 1) is a senior at BASIS Mesa and was in the school jazz band. He plays guitar and piano and recently performed in the Places! Production of *Little Women*.

Matteo Huish (John, Lead Musician, Gaga Kid, Rhapsody Soloist 5) is a sophomore at BASIS Mesa and has performed in *The Greatest Showman*, *Bugsy Malone* and *Little Women*.

Dante Johnson (Galileo, Bohemian, Musician) is a high school junior at Learning Foundation and Performing Arts. Performances include *Freaky Friday* (Adam- LFPA), *Little Women* (Laurie- Places!), and *Beauty and the Beast* (Beast- Places!), *Shrek* (Donkey- Places!), and *Aladdin* (Aladdin- LFPA). He is a member of Presto and recently placed 1st in AZ District NATS for Commercial Music and 2nd for Musical Theatre.

Abby Kesner (Doctor, Gaga Kid, Bohemian, Tumbler) is excited to be in *We Will Rock You* and *Rock and Roll Forever*. Abby, who is 12, enjoys drawing, swimming, reading, skateboarding, going on trips, having fun with her family, and homeschooling. When she grows up, she wants to work with animals. Abby was delighted to be in the recent productions of *Beauty and the Beast* and *The Velveteen Rabbit*. Abby would like to thank the directors and production staff, who have made these shows possible.

Chloe Kesner (Aretha, Gaga Kid, Zapped, Rhapsody Soloist 4) is ecstatic to be participating in *We Will Rock You* and *Rock and Roll Forever*. Chloe is an eleven-year-old who loves to sing and dance. When she's not performing on stage, she is passionate about cleaning, doing math, ventriloquism, swimming, skateboarding, surfing, and spending time with friends. Chloe is also a part of the Places! singing group, Presto, and had a blast recently performing at Disneyland! Chloe wants to give a special thanks to all the directors and choreographers who were very helpful during these productions.

Molly Kesner (Teen Queen 5, Gaga Student 1, Zapped Bohemian, Tumbler, Rhapsody Soloist 6) is a very joyful 14-year-old freshman and is very honored to be performing in *We Will Rock You* and *Rock And Roll Forever*! Molly loves performing for Places! Productions! Last summer, she enjoyed playing the role of Lefou in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.*, which was her first musical with Places! Productions. Molly would like to thank all the directors and people that made these musicals possible. Molly would also like to also thank God for making her into the person she is today!

