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ALAN MENKIN

LYRICS BY
JACK FELDMAN

BOOK BY
HARVEY FIERSTEIN

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Thursday & Friday at 7pm, Saturday 1pm & 7pm
John Inverarity Music and Drama Centre



EXTRA! EXTRA!

COMMUNITY IN ACTION! 100 ARTISTS SHINE AS ONE!



Welcome to Redfoot Youth Theatre's production of *Newsies*!

We are thrilled to share the culmination of months of hard work from our extraordinary company of **over 100 young performers, crew members, and musicians**. This show, with its themes of courage, solidarity, and the power of young voices, has been the perfect vehicle for our company to shine.

From the very first rehearsal, the enthusiasm in the room was unmistakable. The cast took to each scene with fearless energy and embraced the challenging vocal lines. Our musicians dedicated themselves to the professional score and our backstage teams worked with focus and pride. Watching these young people grow - learning to listen, support one another, and take ownership of their craft - has been one of the great joys of this production.

Newsies demands a lot from its performers: stamina, precision, teamwork, and heart. Our company has brought all of that and more. They have demonstrated that when young people unite with purpose, they can create something powerful, moving, and deeply inspiring - on stage and beyond.

A production of this scale is truly a community effort. To the families, volunteers, teachers, and staff who have given their time, skills, patience, and encouragement: thank you. Your support has made this world come alive.

As you sit back tonight and let the music, movement, and story unfold, we hope you leave feeling energised and uplifted. These young artists have seized their moment - now we invite you to enjoy every second of it.

DANNY PARKER - DIRECTOR
SU-LYN CHONG - MUSICAL DIRECTOR



PROUD CHOREOGRAPHER HAILS CAST'S GRIT AND GLORY!

Redfoot Youth Theatre's production of *Newsies* has been a truly unforgettable experience. From the very beginning, our cast has impressed and inspired me with their vivacity for the production and our community.

As a dance musical, *Newsies* presented a new level of challenge for even our more experienced performers.

It has been an immense honour to witness our young people rise to the creative and technical challenges set before them. I am beyond proud of the courage and tenacity with which they've tackled the choreography and story-telling.

I wish to express my deepest gratitude for being invited, once again, to be a part of the creative team. To my colleagues - thank you! You are all amazing and it's been a privilege to collaborate with you on this production.

***Newsies* of Redfoot Youth Theatre - you did it!** I hope you, the audience, enjoy tonight's performance as much as we've enjoyed bringing the story to life.

MELLE SMITH - CHOREOGRAPHER

OUR COMPANY OF STARS!



THE NAMES BEHIND THE NEWS



HOT OFF THE PRESSES: NEWSIES LINEUP IS HERE

Taylor Allan, Yr 12, Methodist Ladies College...as **Katherine Plumber**

Niamh Burke, Yr 11, Mercedes College...as **Jo Jo**

Jackson Coombe, Yr 10...as **Race**

Ayla Day, Yr 10, Churchlands Senior High School...as **Splasher**

Joe de Burgh, Yr 10...as **Mush**

Amanda Erftemeijer, Yr 12, Iona Presentation College...as **Medda Larkin**

Jack Foggo, Yr 12...as **Jack Kelly**

Justin Higgins, Yr 8...as **Henry**

Alexander Higgins, Yr 10...as **Quicks**

Phineas Kompardt, Yr 9...as **Darcy** (Act 2)

Rose Mcloughlin, Yr 10, John XXIII College...as **Elmer**

Kade Meyer, Yr 12...as **Tommy Boy / Roosevelt** (Act 2)

Jacob Milton, Yr 9...as **Bill** (Act 2)

Cesc O'Sullivan, Yr 9...as **Buttons**

Darcy Parker, Yr 10...as **Davey**

Julius Parker, Yr 11...as **Crutchie**

Louis Parker, Yr 7...as **Les**

Tilly Raymond, Yr 11, St Stephen's School...as **Specs**

Callum Scott, Yr 10...as **Spot Conlon**

Jayden Spaseski, Yr 9...as **Albert**

Asher Tennakoon, Yr 9...as **Romeo**

Gabrielle Torre, Yr 10, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School...as **Finch**

Max Wang, Yr 11...as **Mayor** (Act 2)

NEWSIES ENSEMBLE

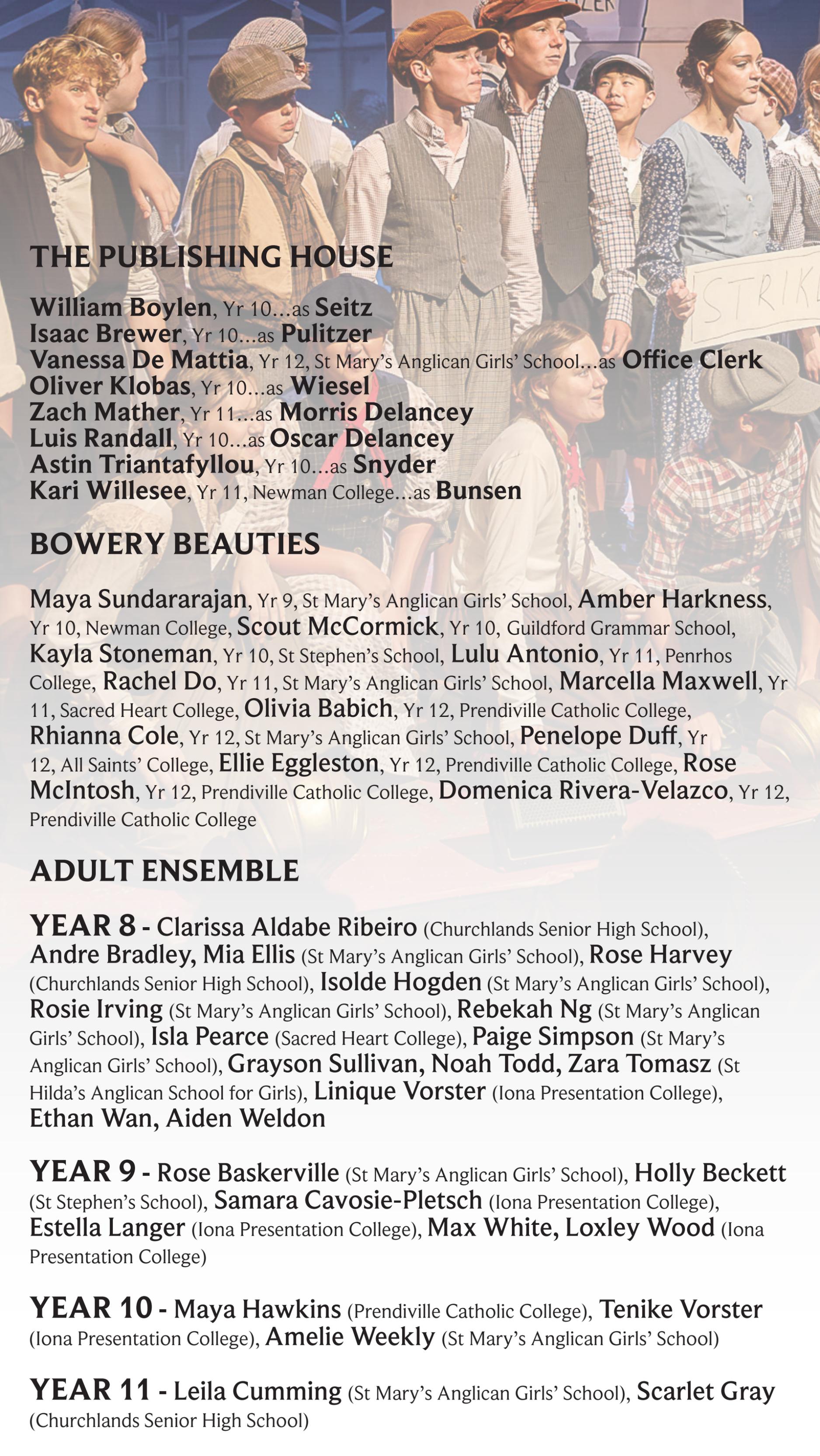
YEAR 7 - Arvind Anantharachagan, Krishna Batta, Xavier Coombe, Bruno Curnow, Harry Davey, Samodorshi Guha, Cody Hardman, Charlie Jarrott, Lucas Jiang, Louis Lee, Flynn McShane, Orlando Messina, Charles Milton, Dev Pankhaniya, Jack Power, Niranjana Rakshasbhuvankar, Léo Sapor, Tanay Shah, Ruhaan Shah, Aayush Silas Raj, Isaiah Torre, Lynos Wang

YEAR 8 - Eddie Hu

YEAR 9 - Ela Angel (Shenton College), Timothy Baker, Lachlan Brown, Oliver Fethers, Isaac Hayman, Vaibhav Karthik, Tobias Pappas, Sonny Pond, Luke Wellbeloved

YEAR 10 - Lily Burke (Ursula Frayne Catholic College), Mischa Cumming (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School), Julia Fitzsimons (Prendiville Catholic College), Caleb Ng, Oceana Owen (Methodist Ladies' College)

YEAR 11 - Poppy Mack (Methodist Ladies' College)



THE PUBLISHING HOUSE

William Boylen, Yr 10...as **Seitz**

Isaac Brewer, Yr 10...as **Pulitzer**

Vanessa De Mattia, Yr 12, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School...as **Office Clerk**

Oliver Klobas, Yr 10...as **Wiesel**

Zach Mather, Yr 11...as **Morris Delancey**

Luis Randall, Yr 10...as **Oscar Delancey**

Astin Triantafyllou, Yr 10...as **Snyder**

Kari Willesee, Yr 11, Newman College...as **Bunsen**

BOWERY BEAUTIES

Maya Sundararajan, Yr 9, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School, **Amber Harkness**,

Yr 10, Newman College, **Scout McCormick**, Yr 10, Guildford Grammar School,

Kayla Stoneman, Yr 10, St Stephen's School, **Lulu Antonio**, Yr 11, Penrhos

College, **Rachel Do**, Yr 11, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School, **Marcella Maxwell**, Yr

11, Sacred Heart College, **Olivia Babich**, Yr 12, Prendiville Catholic College,

Rhianna Cole, Yr 12, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School, **Penelope Duff**, Yr

12, All Saints' College, **Ellie Eggleston**, Yr 12, Prendiville Catholic College, **Rose**

McIntosh, Yr 12, Prendiville Catholic College, **Domenica Rivera-Velazco**, Yr 12,

Prendiville Catholic College

ADULT ENSEMBLE

YEAR 8 - **Clarissa Aldabe Ribeiro** (Churchlands Senior High School),

Andre Bradley, **Mia Ellis** (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School), **Rose Harvey**

(Churchlands Senior High School), **Isolde Hogden** (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School),

Rosie Irving (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School), **Rebekah Ng** (St Mary's Anglican

Girls' School), **Isla Pearce** (Sacred Heart College), **Paige Simpson** (St Mary's

Anglican Girls' School), **Grayson Sullivan**, **Noah Todd**, **Zara Tomasz** (St

Hilda's Anglican School for Girls), **Linique Vorster** (Iona Presentation College),

Ethan Wan, **Aiden Weldon**

YEAR 9 - **Rose Baskerville** (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School), **Holly Beckett**

(St Stephen's School), **Samara Cavosie-Pletsch** (Iona Presentation College),

Estella Langer (Iona Presentation College), **Max White**, **Loxley Wood** (Iona

Presentation College)

YEAR 10 - **Maya Hawkins** (Prendiville Catholic College), **Tenike Vorster**

(Iona Presentation College), **Amelie Weekly** (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School)

YEAR 11 - **Leila Cumming** (St Mary's Anglican Girls' School), **Scarlet Gray**

(Churchlands Senior High School)

HEAR YE, SEE YE! ORCHESTRA, CREW & CREATIVES POWER UP NEWSIES

ORCHESTRA

Flute & Piccolo...Mr Peter Havlat
Clarinet...Xulin Zhang, Yr 11, Lachlan Chua Yr 12
Soprano & Alto Saxophone...Joshua Chen, Yr 11
Trumpet ...George Gibson, Yr 12, Cameron Fethers, Yr 11
Trombone...Ms Lindsay Bush, Jack Lawe-Davies, Yr 12
Percussion...Ms Rosie Taylor, Seth Cheah, Yr 10
Keyboard 1...Mr Ryan Davies
Keyboard 2...Edward Li, Yr 8
Violin...Zachary Madan, Yr 10, Joshua Woods, Yr 10
Cello...Jesse Phan, Yr 11, Lucas Zhou, Yr 8
Guitar...Mr Dan Mijat
Electric Bass...Jinnry Zhuang, Yr 10
Drums...Mr Blake Freeman

CREW and PRODUCTION SUPPORT

James Daghish, Yr 9, James Fethers, Yr 9, Nic Georgiou, Old Boy 2025,
Einan Healy, Yr 10, Jake Louw, Yr 8, Sebastian Metcalf, Yr 12,
Eddie Robinson, Yr 8, Mr Isaac Anfuso, Mr Geoff Glencross,
Mr Marco Godi, Miss Michaela Gosby, Mrs Holly Sansalone,
Mr Jake van der Mere, Mrs Shirja Whebell, Mrs Claire Wellbeloved

PRODUCTION TEAM

Musical Director...Su-Lyn Chong
Repetiteur...Ryan Davies
Photography...Deprimo Photography
Lighting Design...Geoff Glencross
Sound Design...Sam Harris
Technical Coordinator...Marco Godi
Production Technician...Michaela Gosby
Stage Manager...Einan Healy, Yr 10
Director...Danny Parker
Costume Design...Holly Sansalone
Production Manager...Elethea Sartorelli
Choreographer...Melle Smith
Set Design...Steve Smith



SPOTLIGHT ON: Stage Manager

Einan Healy, Yr 10

Always present, always helping -
from rehearsals to holiday set work.

His commitment, maturity, and
quiet leadership have been integral
to the success of this production, and
we deeply appreciate the care and
energy he has brought to the role.







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would like to thank:**

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and Krystal Meek – Perth College, for costume loans.**

**All of our Hale School colleagues, the teaching staff supporting our female cast members,
and all parents and guardians of our *Newsies* company.**

**We thank you all for your support and contributions to this production.
We could not have done it without you!**

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