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Director's Note

Did someone say The Big One-Oh!?

Anyone who has interacted with me over the past few months may have experienced just how excited I was to put on this show, which is near and dear to my heart. I have always loved the heart and humor that are present in every scene, the themes of self-acceptance and the joys of childhood, and the cast of zany yet all-too-realistic characters who tell this story.

But I'm the director, so of course I'm going to be excited for it. It wasn't until callbacks, when our actors embraced every crazy role they read with enthusiasm and boldness, or when we did a read-through at our first rehearsal and many cast members had already memorized songs and lines from a show they had never heard of until a few weeks prior, that I realized just how awesome this production was going to be. Throughout this rehearsal process, I have felt so lucky to work with a creative team and cast who are not only very talented, kind, and fun people, but have also embraced this story with the same level of excitement and enthusiasm that I had.

At Ovation, we strive to make every experience educational, and to help everyone grow in their performance skills regardless of where they begin. I am grateful to my wonderful creative team, who have embraced this value and pushed our cast members to grow and achieve things they didn't know they could. Many thanks to Becca, Dana, Raylyn, Connor, and Charlotte; I love and respect all of you, and I appreciate the joy you brought to every rehearsal.

Thanks as well to Meg and Dan, for their support and the opportunity to mount this special production, and for the countless hours they put in behind the scenes, whether in costume design, props design, set construction, scenic painting, volunteer coordination, business management, traffic control, custodial work, and so many more little things that often go unnoticed, but keep this company and these productions running with excellence. You are the definition of theatre heroes, and our community is so much better for your presence. I love you!

Now sit back, relax, and enjoy the show. This is big!!
—Tim Gore

OVATION THEATRE COMPANY

proudly presents



OCTOBER 2–3, 2026

Music by
Doug Besterman

Book by
Timothy Allen McDonald

Lyrics by
Dean Pitchford

Based on the novel *The Big One-Oh* by **Dean Pitchford**
Vocal Arrangements and Incidental Music by **Britt Bonney** and **Daniel J. Mertzlufft**
Orchestrations by **Michael Starobin**
Originally directed and choreographed by **MK Lawson**
World Premiere Presented by Atlantic Theater Company, Atlantic for Kids New York City, September 28, 2019

THE BIG ONE-OH! JR.
Is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.MTIShows.com

Flashing lights and smoke effects will be used during this production. All photography and videography is strictly prohibited. Please turn your cell phones completely off.

Cast

Charley	Liam Conlin
Lorena	Hayden Aldrich
Mom	Aria Rigg
Dad	Lily Tessier
Vince Champagne	Calem McDavitt
Garry	Kellen Johnson
Boing Boing	Kyle Daly
Donna	Liliana Perry
Darryl	Jacob Siwik
Cougar	Hayden Broadhead
Scottie	Summer Delyani
Jennifer	Mayah Dailey
Zombie King	Mayra Gillis
Alien	Levi Freilich
Swampy	Bella Foster
Mrs. Cleveland	Delaney Grimshaw
Stacy	Liliana Perry
Lillian	Isla Golden
Lilith	Maeve Nahlik
Leilani	Brynn Susi
Dina	Vera Goss
Dana	Adeline Tengstrand

Ensemble

Mackenzie Brittain	Delaney Grimshaw	Hailey Ryan
Reese Cote	Ella Kearns	Mackenzie Ryan
Olivia Crawford	Angie LeBlanc	Brayden Susi
Hadley Gingras	Jameson Lynch	Brynn Susi
Isla Golden	Aria Moore	Adeline Tengstrand
Sophia Goss	Maeve Nahlik	Skyler Yonge
Vera Goss	CC O'Brien	

Scenes and Musical Numbers

Prologue	**Outside Charley's House**	
	"Monsters and Maniacs"	Charley, Monsters
	"Some Sort of Celebration"	Charley, Monsters
Scene 1	**Charley's House**	
	"So Lame"	Lorena, Lillian, Lilith, Leilani
	"Delicious"	Charley, Dad
Scene 2	**The Halls of Fresno Elementary School**	
	"Can You Call This Person a Friend?"	Charley, Donna, Dina, Dana, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy, Darryl, Cougar, Scottie, Jennifer, Students
Scene 3	**Outside Charley's House**	
Scene 4	**Charley's House**	
	"A Perfect Party"	Vince, Assistants
Scene 5	**Outside Charley's House**	
Scene 6	**The Halls of Fresno Elementary School**	
	"Jennifer is Gonna Have a Birthday"	Jennifer, Ensemble
Scene 7	**Outside Charley's House**	
Scene 8	**Garry's Workshop**	
	"Better Than a 'Boo!'"	Garry, Charley, Monsters
Scene 9	**Charley's House**	
	"Making Invitations"	Charley, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy
Scene 10	**The Halls of Fresno Elementary School**	
	"The Invitation"	Charley, Donna, Dina, Dana, Darryl, Cougar, Scottie, Students
Scene 11	**Charley's House**	
	"Making Special Effects"	Charley, Zombie King, Alien, Swampy
Scene 12	**The Halls of Fresno Elementary School**	
	"This Is Big"	Cougar, Scottie, Donna, Darryl, Students
	"That Could Be Me"	Jennifer
Scene 13	**Outside Garry's House**	
	"Better Than a 'Boo!' (Reprise)"	Charley
Scene 14	**Charley's House**	
	"We've Got Each Other"	Lorena, Charley
Scene 15	**Charley's House**	
	"House of Horrors"	Charley, Students, Monsters
	"Finale"	Company

The Cast



Hayden Aldrich | Lorena

Hayden Aldrich is thrilled to be playing Lorena in *The Big One-Oh!* She loves singing, dancing, and acting, and is always happiest when she is performing on stage. Hayden is grateful to the cast, crew, and Ovation Theatre Company for making this experience so much fun. She would also like to thank her vocal coach, Bernie Choiniere, and her family for their continued support. Enjoy the show!



Mackenzie Brittain | Ensemble

Mackenzie is excited to make her Ovation Theatre debut in *The Big One-Oh! Jr.* A fifth grader, she loves editing videos, gymnastics, and anything that lets her be creative. Mackenzie is grateful to the cast and directors for making her first production such a fun experience and would especially like to thank her parents and brother for all their love and support.



Hayden Broadhead | Cougar

Hayden Broadhead is very excited to be featured in this amazing show! Hayden has been acting with Ovation Theatre Company ever since he was 7, and looks forward to all he will do with them next! For hobbies, Hayden enjoys golfing, tennis, playing with LEGOS and snowboarding! Also, he is an award winning New English performer who is never shy to get up and sing for absolutely no reader whatsoever!



Liam Conlin | Charley

Liam Conlin is eleven years old and in sixth grade at Londonderry Middle School. (Fun fact: He was actually born in Fresno, California, where *The Big-One-Oh* takes place!). Liam has performed in many Ovation summer camp musicals as well as his school's production of *Phantom of the Music Room.* He is very excited to be part of this amazing show and hopes you have a great time watching!



Reese Cote | Ensemble

Reese is so excited to be performing in her first show with Ovation and has loved every minute of getting ready for *The Big One-Oh!* She is grateful to the entire cast, crew, directors, and everyone involved in making this show a success! Reese gives a special thank you to her Mom and Dad for always supporting her and encouraging her love of theater! Break a leg everyone!

The Cast



Olivia Crawford | Ensemble

Olivia is excited to participate in her debut production with Ovation Theatre Company. Having attended Ovation's summer camps for the past three years, she has developed a passion for performing. Olivia has especially enjoyed building her confidence and expanding her performance skills throughout the rehearsal process. She is grateful to the directors, cast, and crew for making this experience so memorable and hopes you enjoy the show!



Mayah Dailey | Jennifer

Mayah is a fourth grader and very excited to join OTC's production of *The Big One-Oh.* She loves singing and dancing and looks forward to performing all of the fun songs on stage with the group. She enjoys the costumes as well. She hopes you have as much fun watching as she does performing.



Kyle Daly | Boing Boing

Kyle is a 3rd grader in Derry, NH. He is excited to be back with Ovation for his 4th straight show, playing Boing Boing the dog! Earlier this year, he starred as Jasper *(101 Dalmatians Kids),* Alexei *(Anastasia)* and Young Alfred *(Alice by Heart).* Kyle has enjoyed the challenge of acting through body language and facial expressions. He would like to thank Ovation for their encouragement and commitment to developing him as an actor. Enjoy the show!



Summer Delyani | Scottie

Summer is thrilled to be making her Ovation debut! Her past favorite credits include Summer Hathaway in *School Of Rock Young Actors Edition,* Young Fiona in *Shrek The Musical,* and Sky in *Beetlejuice Junior.* She has had so much fun making new friends and bringing this show to life! She'd like to thank the directors, cast, and crew for this amazing experience, and hopes you all enjoy the show!



Bella Foster | Swampy

Bella is thrilled to be making her debut for her 4th Ovation show. Previous productions she has been in are *Addams Family* (Featured Dancer), *Annie Jr.* (Pepper), and is currently in *Frozen* as Sven! She would like to thank her family and friends for always supporting her and she hopes you will enjoy the show!

The Cast



Levi Freilich | Alien

Greetings Earthlings! Levi is so excited to be performing as Alien with all of these talented humans! He wants to thank his family, friends, and the directing team for helping him throughout this process. He hopes you enjoy the show!



Mayra Gillis | Zombie King

Mayra is excited to be playing the Zombie King in *Big One-Oh Jr.* with Ovation as this is her third show with the company. Her other two include *Annie Jr.* (Mrs. Drake) and *Addams Family* (Ancestor). Mayra hopes you enjoy the show and have fun watching the House of Horrors come to life.



Hadley Gingras | Ensemble

Hadley is so excited to be continuing with her Ovation experience after being at camp last summer! She loves to sing and dance, and is really looking forward to performing *The Big One-Oh* for everyone! She also participates in her school's drama club.



Isla Golden | Lillian / Ensemble

Isla is ecstatic to be a part of *The Big One-Oh Jr.* This is her first show at Ovation Theatre. She has had the best time learning the show, and meeting new people. Isla has been doing theatre for three years, appearing in *Finding Nemo Jr.* and *Sound of Music Jr.* She hopes you enjoy the show!



Sophia Goss | Ensemble

Sophia is thrilled to take part in her first musical as a member of the ensemble. She's excited to dive into her interest for acting and theater. She is in 7th grade and enjoys impersonating characters from various movies and books. When she is not in theater, she loves to write, draw, read, and play sports.

The Cast



Vera Goss | Dina / Ensemble

Vera Goss (Dina, Ensemble) is thrilled to perform in her first full length production with Ovation Theatre Company! Vera has previously performed in OTC camps *The Lion King* (Nala), *James and the Giant Peach* (Ladybug), and *Willy Wonka* (Charlie). Vera is a 6th grader at Hampstead Middle School and has been singing at Let's Play Music for 5 years and dancing with HDA for 8 years.



Delaney Grimshaw | Mrs. Cleveland / Ensemble

Delaney is very excited to be in *The Big One-Oh Jr.* with Ovation. This is her 2nd show with Ovation. She did *101 Dalmatians* with them this spring as Roger! She hopes you enjoy the show.



Kellen Johnson | Garry

This is Kellen's 3rd show at Ovation! He loves the people here, and he loves how every show creates its own unique family. He thanks his family, friends, and members of Ovation for all their support. He is playing the role of Garry, and has so much fun getting into the character. Kellen is so excited for you to see *The Big-One-Oh Jr,* and hopes you love it!



Ella Kearns | Ensemble

Ella is thrilled to be back at Ovation and to be involved in *The Big One-Oh.* This is her fourth big production with Ovation, and she has also participated in multiple Ovation summer camps over the years. Ella attends Londonderry Middle School and is in 8th grade. She wishes everyone luck and can't wait to be on stage!



Angie LeBlanc | Ensemble

Angie is excited to be making her fifth stage appearance in *The Big One-Oh!* This is her first big stage performance, and she is so grateful to be able to perform in shows like this as she grows as an actress. She wants to thank the cast, directors, her friends and parents all for making this possible and encouraging her to pursue her passion. She hopes you enjoy the show!

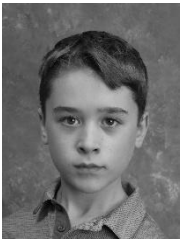
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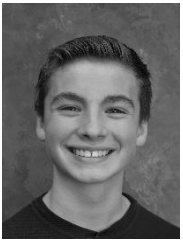


The Cast



Jameson Lynch | Ensemble

Jameson is excited to be performing in *The Big One-Oh Jr.!* This is his second performance with Ovation Theatre Company. He has previously appeared in the *Lion King Jr.* summer camp as Simba. He has also performed in Drama Club at Windham Academy. When he's not on stage, Jameson enjoys reading, music, playing electric guitar, flag football, video games, and drawing. He would like to thank his family, friends, Windham Academy, and the cast and crew for making this such a fun experience. "Okay...bye!"



Calem McDavitt | Vince Champagne

Calem McDavitt is so excited to be in *The Big One-Oh.* His role is Vince Champagne, a party planner who is obsessed with himself.



Aria Moore | Ensemble

This is Aria's first show at Ovation. She really enjoys the cast and the crew here. She loves being in this show and will miss it when it is over.



Maeve Nahlik | Lilith / Ensemble

Maeve is thrilled to play the role of Lillith as well as being a part of the ensemble. She likes to spend her free time reading, baking and hanging out with her friends. She has been with Ovation for 3 years now and she is honored to play a part in this performance. She hopes you enjoy the show!



CC O'Brien | Ensemble

CC is excited to be performing in her third show at Ovation Theatre Company! Her other roles at Ovation have included Perdita in *101 Dalmatians Kids* and Ensemble in *Annie Jr.* When she is not on the stage, CC enjoys reading and playing piano. CC wants to thank the cast, crew, and the directing team for such an amazing experience. Enjoy the show!

The Cast



Liliana Perry | Donna / Stacy

Liliana, 13, is back for another Ovation adventure, this time doubling the fun as Donna and Stacy in *The Big One-Oh!* A true theater girl at heart, Lili is happiest under the stage lights, surrounded by the friends who have become like family. When she's not rehearsing, you'll find her laughing with friends, loving on her pups, Luna and Posie, or counting down to her next chance to take the stage!



Aria Rigg | Mom

Aria is so excited to be making her Ovation debut as Charley's mom!! Aria has been in several other shows such as *Finding Nemo, Descendants, The Sound of Music, Seussical,* and more! Aria would like to thank her mom for inspiring her for this role, The Voice Studio, and the whole creative team! She has had such a fun time with this cast and hopes that you love the show!!



Hailey Ryan | Ensemble

Big One-Oh! is Hailey's 3rd Ovation production. Outside of theater, Hailey loves nature, animals, reading, horseback riding, skiing and gymnastics. She hopes you enjoy the show! THIS. IS. BIG!!!



Mackenzie Ryan | Ensemble

Big One-Oh! is Mackenzie's 6th production with Ovation. Outside of theater, Mackenzie loves horseback riding, being outside and skiing. She hopes you enjoy the show! Watch out for monsters and maniacs!



Jacob Siwik | Darryl

Jake Siwik is a 4th grade student in Londonderry. He has been doing Ovation Theatre camp for the past 3 summers and has loved it. He has also been in two summer camps at The Cape Cod Playhouse. This is his first time in a production. He enjoys spending time with fellow castmates. Outside of theater, Jake enjoys baseball, skiing, flag football, traveling, spending time with his family and playing with his friends. Jake is thankful for the support of his family and friends.

The Cast



Brayden Susi | Ensemble

Brayden is thrilled for her first musical with Ovation! She's a 3rd grade student at Mount Zion Christian Schools and a black belt in Taekwondo. She was bitten by the "stage bug" after doing *Finding Nemo* this year. She's currently training in Kumdo (swords) and will be in a basketball program this fall season. She loves chocolates, math and making people laugh. She's been enjoying her time in Ovation and is thankful for their help as she learns and grows.



Brynn Susi | Leilani / Ensemble

Brynn is super excited to be making her Ovation debut! She is a voice and piano student at Ted Herbert and she's been recently seen on *The Emperor's New Clothes, Seussical Jr.* and *Finding Nemo.* As a black belt in both Taekwondo and Kumdo, she has also been a part of the Tiger Black Belt Academy demonstration team. She has learned a lot from the Ovation staff and is grateful for their mentorship and support.



Adeline Tengstrand | Dana / Ensemble

Adeline is so thrilled to be back at Ovation. This is her 5th production with this company and 17th overall. She can't wait for her next production at Ovation where she will be playing Young Anna in *Frozen* this November. She would like to thank the Ovation family for their continued support and kindness, and she would like to thank everyone for coming out to see the show!



Lily Tessier | Dad

Lily is so excited to be portraying the role of Dad in *The Big One-Oh!* She is a senior in high school and she has loved doing shows with Ovation since freshman year. The cast and crew have worked so hard and made an incredible production, she hopes you enjoy the show!



Skylar Yonge | Ensemble

Skylar Yonge heard about *The Big One-Oh!* through a summer camp she participated in at Ovation. Being a part of this production has taught her a lot about theatre during these rehearsals. Skylar did dance when she was younger at Melissa Hoffman. Skylar has also performed in *Finding Nemo* and *Wonka.* She has really enjoyed this experience.

Production Team

Director . . . . . Tim Gore
Music Director . . . . . Becca Crivello
Choreographer . . . . . Dana Gastich French
Assistant Director . . . . . Raylyn Paul
Stage Manager . . . . . Connor Burns
Assistant Stage Manager . . . . . Charlotte Latour
Costume Design . . . . . Meg Gore
Costume Team . . . . . Jackie Aldrich, Lisa Burns, Kelsea Conlin
Lighting Design . . . . . Pete Dusaitis
Lighting Board Operator . . . . . Connor Burns
Sound Design . . . . . Tim Gore
Running Crew . . . . . Maddy Buchanan
Props Coordinator . . . . . Dan Gore
House Manager . . . . . Dan Gore
Poster and Program Design . . . . . Tim Gore
Volunteer Coordinator & Cast Board . . . . . Shawna Carroll
Marketing Coordinator . . . . . Jake Doble

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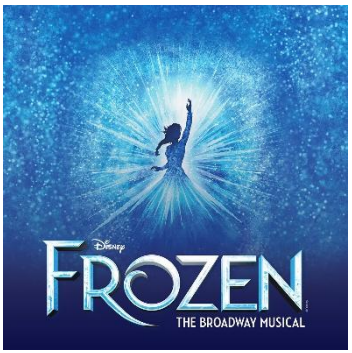
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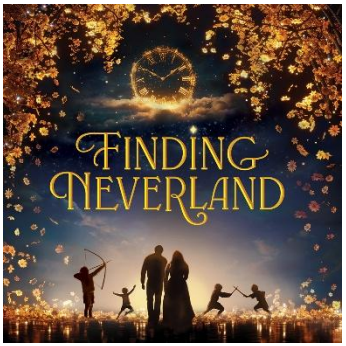
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