

Meet the Cast & Crew of YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN!



Spencer MacLaughlin (Frederick Frankenstein) - Spencer is an Arkansas City native and a sophomore at Cowley College. After traveling through Transylvania in Europe over the summer, Spencer is absolutely thrilled to be theatrically returning as Frederick Frankenstein! Over the course of his acting career, Spencer has performed in a variety of shows including *Legally Blonde* (Arkansas City High School), *Cotton Patch Gospel* (Burford Theatre Arts), and *The Addams Family & Disaster* (Cowley College).



Nyle Franklin (The Monster) - Nyle is sophomore at Cowley studying Secondary Education & is excited to perform this year as the Monster in *Young Frankenstein*. His previous roles were Lurch in *The Addams Family* and Maury in *Disaster!* He thanks his family and loved ones who surround him for supporting what he does, and he cannot wait to make them proud. Though this may be his last show he loved every second of it and all his gratitude goes too Nick Albrecht and Lindsay Allen for being wonderful lights to show him the beauty of the Performing Arts! This one's for Hunter!



Evan Quiett (Igor) - Evan is an avid actor, most recently seen as Jojo in *Suessical the Musical* at Cowley Summer Theatre, Peter Pan in *Peter/Wendy* and John in *Ranked* both at Winfield High School. He was born and raised in Winfield, Kansas and continues to live there. In the fall of 2024, he will be moving to Kansas City to further his theatre studies at UMKC.



Reese Pappan (Inga) - Reese is very excited to be in her first show as an official student at Cowley College. She just finished participating in Cowley Summer Theatre's inaugural season as Mrs. Mayor in *Seussical the Musical*. She has also been in many performances at Arkansas City High School including Juliet in *Romeo & Juliet*, Chutney Windham in *Legally Blonde*, Elsa in *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, and so many more!



Gwyneth Abrams (Elizabeth Benning) - Gwyneth is thrilled to be a part of the 2023-24 Season of Cowley Theater. Gwyneth is a returning sophomore at Cowley College and is on track to graduate with an AFA in Theatre Performance. Some of her favorite past roles are: Gertrude McFuzz in *Seussical the Musical*, Agatha in *Guys and Dolls*, Flora in *Flora and Ulysses*, Jackie in *Disaster!*, and Morticia in *The Addams Family*. To her friend Hunter, rest in peace, you are missed. She would like to thank her family for their love and support of her. Enjoy the Show!



MJ Harper (Frau Blücher) -teaches 7-12 Choir and Theater Arts in Winfield. She holds a MM from Kent State University and a BME from Pittsburg State University as a vocal major and violin minor. Some of her performing credits include Sally Bowles in *Cabaret* (Pittsburg State University), Delores in *Sister Act* (Pittsburg Community Theatre), and Rose in *Gypsy* (PCT). MJ has also been employed as a choreographer, director, and music director. Most recently, she graced the stages of Southwestern College in *Sunday in the Park with George* and Cowley College in *The Addams Family*. Ms. Harper loves coffee, cookies, ducks, and the color yellow.



Bryson Stoner (The Hermit) - Born and raised in Arkansas City, Bryson is majoring in Pre-Nursing here at Cowley. After he receives his Pre-Nursing degrees, he plans on transferring to WSU where he will get his full Nursing license. After a couple years as a regular Nurse, Bryson plans to travel the country as a Traveling Nurse.



Curtis Bogner (Inspector Hans Kemp) - Curtis is from Arkansas City, Kansas. This is his first show for Cowley, but he previously participated in theatre at Arkansas City High School, as well as Winfield Community Theatre. Favorite past roles include: Prince Eric in *The Little Mermaid*, Ralph Sheldrake in *White Christmas*, Tybalt in *Romeo & Juliet*, & Ken in *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*.



Charles Barlow, Jr. (Ensemble) - Charles is being forced to break his tradition of not writing a bio for shows and write a bio for this show. Charles is a theater major and has been doing shows for Cowley for three years. Recent roles include Ensemble for both *The Addams Family* and *Disaster!* Charles loves music, video games, and good naturedly bullying his friends and castmates.



Kaleyah Evans (Ensemble) - Kaleyah is a freshman at Cowley College. She has performed in many productions, with favorites roles including Mercutio in *Romeo and Juliet*, Enid Hoops in *Legally Blonde*, both at Arkansas City High School, and an Ancestor in *The Addams Family* here at Cowley College. Kaleyah is excited to be a part of *Young Frankenstein* as an ensemble member and has really enjoyed the process of rehearsing this show.



Gabe Harper (Ensemble) - Gabe is currently a track athlete and musician at Cowley College where he runs, jumps, sings, dances, and plays instruments while keeping up with his studies in business and finance. Favorite past roles: Bob Wallace in *White Christmas*, Paris in *Romeo & Juliet*, Officer Kelly in *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, and Featured Ensemble in *Legally Blonde*, all at Arkansas City High School.



Alicia Hunter (Ensemble) - Alicia is thrilled to be participating in *Young Frankenstein* with Cowley Theatre. Alicia is a sophomore at Cowley, seeking an AFA in Musical Theatre. This is Alicia's third show with Cowley & she is excited to be back. Past roles are Wednesday Addams in *The Addams Family*, Mayzie La Bird in *Seussical the Musical*, Ensemble in *Grease* with Lyric Theatre, Marcy Park in *25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, Princess Winnifred in *Once Upon a Mattress*, Dragon in *Shrek*, Cinderella's Stepmother in *Into the Woods*, and Young Sala in *Letters to Sala*.



Adam Monroe (Ensemble) - Adam is from Arkansas City, & graduated from ACHS in May of 2023. While in high school, he was a member of the symphonic choir his senior year. High School performances included *White Christmas*, & a solo performance of "What a Wonderful World" in the Bulldog Vocal Spotlight. He is attending Cowley on a choir scholarship, and is a member of CC Singers & Cowley College's band program. Adam is majoring in pre-nursing. He enjoys spending time with friends & family, making music, & working out in his spare time.



Cody Palmer (Ensemble) - Cody is a hopeful 16-year-old, currently attending Arkansas City High School. She aspires to become an opera singer & intends to pursue those studies following graduation. Cody is extremely excited to be making her Cowley College debut! You may have seen Cody in shows at ACHS, including as Pilar in *Legally Blonde*, Susan in *White Christmas*, and Jukes in *Peter Pan*. This fall Cody has the pleasure of playing the lead in the ACHS fall production of *Annie!* Until then, enjoy her talent in today's show: *Young Frankenstein!*



Daniela Salcedo (Ensemble) - Daniela is elated to be appearing in *Young Frankenstein* during her sophomore year at Cowley. Although she's majoring in biochemistry, her performance highlights include Lana in *It's a Wonderful Life*, Antigone in *Antigone*, Nikki Crandall in *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, and Rizzo in *Grease!* Daniela is looking forward to participating in *The Importance of Being Earnest* later this year!



Amilia Baca (Stage Manager) - Amilia is excited to start her second season at Cowley College. Over the summer she completed an internship with Cowley Summer Theater that included set construction for *Guys and Dolls*, and a position as production stage manager for *Seussical the Musical*. Amilia has been in theater for five years and aspires to make technical theater her career. She is excited to be the lighting designer for the Act One's upcoming production of *The Gingerbread Pirates*.



Krys Pugh (Assistant Stage Manager) - Krys is very excited to make their debut at Cowley College. Working backstage, they have stage managed for many plays at Campus High School, including *Annie* and *The Crucible*. Krys has also performed in roles such as the Cheshire Cat in *Alice in Wonderland*. They are very thankful for the opportunities they have at this college and want to thank those who helped push them to be better.



Hannah Brean (Assistant Stage Manager) - Hannah is excited to participate in this year's Cowley Theatre Season. She comes from Derby High School and is now a freshman at Cowley. Some of her credits include stage management for *Seussical the Musical*, *Flaming Idiots*, and *Cinderella* at Derby High School. Last winter, she was fortunate to provide sound effects and stage management for *It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play* in a Repertory Theater class she took at Derby. She is beyond thankful to be a part of this Cowley's fall show.



Patrick Burgess-Clark (Sound Designer) - Patrick is ecstatic to be back working at Cowley Theatre. This is his 3rd production as designer & 7th overall production with Cowley & their affiliates. Previously, he designed lights for *Flora and Ulysses* & *Seussical the Musical*. Patrick is currently attending Cowley as a Theatre Technology & Design Major, & has had nothing but positive experiences in the program. He thanks his friends & family for their unwavering support, & you for supporting local theatre!



Peyton Williams (Props Master, Dramaturg, Scenic Automation) - Peyton is thrilled to be back at Cowley Theatre for another semester! Born & raised in Arkansas City, Peyton has long been involved in local theatre, ranging from Kids Act at the Burford Theatre as a child, to stagehand for productions at ACHS, & now Cowley Theatre. In the last year at Cowley, Peyton has stage managed *The Addams Family* & *Flora and Ulysses*, & assistant stage managed *Disaster!* Over the past summer, Peyton operated the soundboard for Cowley Summer Theatre's *Seussical the Musical* & was a stagehand for *Guys and Dolls*.



Nick Albrecht (Director) - an Omaha native, is an actor, singer, director, and fight choreographer. He holds an M.F.A. in Acting from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro & B.A. in Vocal Music Education, Musical Theatre, & Vocal Performance from Dana College. Nick has worked for theatres across the US including; Triad Stage, Great Plains Theatre, North Dakota Shakespeare, Nebraska Shakespeare, BLUEBARN Theatre, Cortland Repertory Theatre, Post Playhouse, Omaha Playhouse, Fargo-Moorhead Community Theatre, and served as Artistic Director for Cross Community Players in Minneapolis, MN. Nick joined Cowley as the Director of Theatre in the fall of 2018.



Lindsay Allen (Music Director) joined Cowley in 2010, becoming Director of Vocal Music in 2018. As Music Director, favorite credits include *Mama Mia!* and *The Addams Family*. Lindsay can frequently be found playing piano in the pit with the orchestra. (She would like to thank the talented instrumentalists for putting up with a vocalist who can plunk along on the piano!) Since becoming the music director, Lindsay has enjoyed working with students to help them reach their vocal potential on stage. She would like to thank her family for putting up with her crazy work schedule and is looking forward to sharing this production with the public.



Jason Huffman (Technical Director, Scenic & Lighting Design) - Joined Cowley as the Technical Director of Theatre in the fall of 2021. He teaches Stagecraft and Advanced Stagecraft and is responsible for all design and technical needs in the Robert Brown Theatre. He is a regular presenter at Kansas Thespians, Oklahoma Thespians, and International Thespians. He has won Jester Awards from MTW for Sound and Lighting and Certificates of Merit from the Kennedy Center American Collegiate Theater Festival for both Scenic and Lighting Design.



Meghann Borum (Costume Design) - is an actor, costumer, & stage manager working in the South Central Kansas region. Since 2019 she has served as Costume Designer & Costume Shop Manager at Cowley College, with design credits including *Picnic*, *9 to 5*, *Puffs...*, *Cinderella*, *Six Characters...*, *The Robber Bridegroom*, *The Addams Family*, & *Disaster!*. Her designs have been repeatedly recognized by KCACTF, with Costume Parade nominations for *Cinderella* & *The Robber Bridegroom*. Ms. Borum attended Cowley College & the University of Kansas. She lives in Arkansas City with her husband, Jimmy & their children Emmett & Moriah. All my love to Melodie, the monkeys and to my girls: E, A, A, T & J. Love forever.



Kennedy Beck (Choreographer) - Kennedy began dancing at the age of three in Wichita, Kansas. She attended Baker University where she received scholarships to their choral and dance programs. She currently teaches at Kelcy's Dance Studio where she teaches recreational classes and choreographs competition routines. She has previously appeared in regional productions of *Hairspray*, *Annie*, and Cowley Summer Theatre's *Guys and Dolls*. Theatre provides a nice change of pace from her day job as a Kindergarten Teacher in Valley Center. She would like to thank her family, friends, and God! Break a leg!