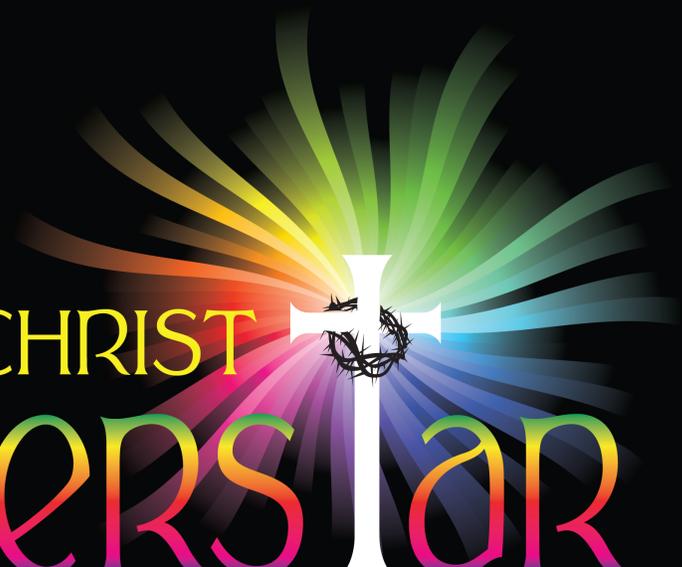


# PLAYBILL



Bernards Township Parks & Recreation Presents a Trilogy Repertory Production of



## JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

Lyrics by: TIM RICE

Music by: ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

Executive Producer: LORRIE LANE

Director: JAYE BARRE

Musical Director: JOSEPH LESKY

Choreographer: MARIELLA KLINGER

Stage Manager: ERIN TAYLOR

Set: JERRY MOSES, KEVIN DODDS

Costumes: BEVERLY WEBB

Lights: MICHAEL WOLFF, CHRIS WOLFF

Sound: TONY ASCH

### PERFORMANCE DATES

July 13—14—15—20—21—22



## TOWNSHIP OF BERNARDS

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Summer, 2017

Dear Residents and Friends of the Community,

Good evening and welcome to the Bernards Township Department of Parks and Recreation's 30th season of Plays in the Park.

So many of you enjoy and look forward to the plays year after year. I am excited that the Township brings this tradition *free* to the public for all to enjoy. Bernards Township proudly sponsors this event and substantially subsidizes the budget because we recognize the importance of keeping performing arts alive. It is truly wonderful that these productions are here, under the stars, in Pleasant Valley Park.

July is Parks and Recreation Month. Bernards Township offers many opportunities to enjoy family outings such as Plays In The Park. Please join us as we celebrate... details may be found on pages 19-20 of this playbill. You can stay current on all our special events by visiting our website at [www.bernards.org](http://www.bernards.org). There you will find information on the wide variety of programs we offer.

Now sit back, relax and enjoy the show!

See you in the parks,

Jennifer Gander  
Director, Parks and Recreation

*"Celebrating our history, embracing our future"*



This program is made possible, in part, by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, and administered by the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission through the State/County Partnership Local Arts Program.



# CAST OF CHARACTERS

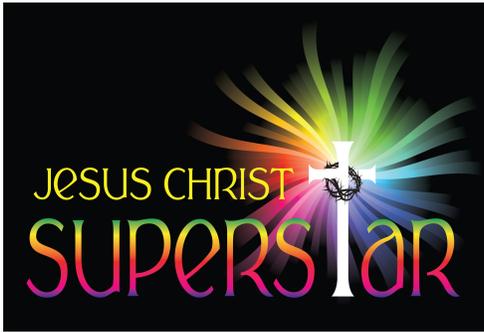
Judas.....David Seamon  
 Jesus.....Troy Giel  
 Mary Magdalene.....Isobel Pluchino  
 Pilate.....Jon Wells  
 Caiaphas.....John Lam  
 Annas.....Frank Skokan  
 Priest.....John Christopher Lubarsky  
 Priest.....Chuck Pisano  
 Herod.....Joseph Schmidt  
 Peter.....Owen McKenna  
 Simon Zealot.....Jack Pacetti  
 Soldiers.....Suchir Govindarajan, Will Shelton  
 Woman by the Fire.....Anchal Dhir  
 Man by the Fire.....Nicholas Re  
 Soul Sisters.....Karennna Breslow, Julia Drazhal, Allison Hewitt,  
 Francesca Infante-Meehan, Mariella Klinger, Angela Ricci

## APOSTLES

Kyle Gelatka	Owen McKenna	Nicholas Re	Hayden Verbanas
Suchir Govindarajan	Jack Melillo	David Seamon	Rohin Verma
Jack Hillebrecht	Jack Pacetti	Will Seaton	

## ENSEMBLE

Emily Certicismo	Jessica Idell	Virginia Lafean	Catherine Pluchino
Katie Cozzi	Melissa Johnson	Angela Masi	Kristin Sands
Laura DeFelice	Eleanor Klinger	Germaine McGrath	Micaela Sands
Anchal Dhir	Emmalee Lafean	Caroline McKenna	Rosellen Schussler
Caitlin Ianella	Patty Lafean	Hannah Melillo	Amy Six
			Ria Wolff



*Jesus Christ Superstar* is a rock opera that started as a rock opera concept album before its Broadway debut in 1971. The musical is sung-through, with no spoken dialogue. The story is loosely based on the Gospels' accounts of the last week of Jesus's life, beginning with the preparation for the arrival of Jesus and his disciples in Jerusalem and ending with the crucifixion. It depicts political and interpersonal struggles between Judas Iscariot and Jesus that are not present in the Bible. The original Broadway production and the 2012 revival won critical acclaim and several Tony nominations.

## MUSICAL SYNOPSIS

### ACT 1

Overture.....Instrumental  
 Heaven On Their Minds.....Judas  
 What's the Buzz/Strange Thing Mystifying..... Apostles, Jesus, Mary  
 Everything's Alright..... Mary, Women, Judas, Jesus, Apostles  
 This Jesus Must Die.....Annas, Caiaphas, Apostles, Priests  
 Hosanna.....Caiaphas, Jesus, Ensemble  
 Simon Zealotes/Poor Jerusalem..... Simon, Jesus, Ensemble  
 Pilate's Dream.....Pilate  
 The Temple.....Jesus, Ensemble  
 Everything's Alright.....Mary, Jesus  
 I Don't Know How To Love Him.....Mary  
 Damned For All Time/Bloody Money.....Judas, Annas, Caiaphas, Priests

### *Intermission*

### ACT 2

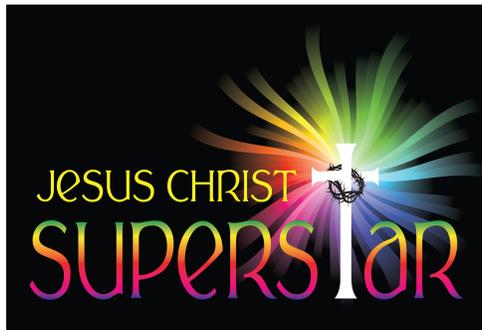
The Last Supper.....Apostles, Jesus, Judas  
 Gethsemane.....Jesus  
 The Arrest.....Judas, Jesus, Peter, Apostles, Ensemble, Annas, Caiaphas  
 Peter's Denial.....Woman by Fire, Peter, Soldier, Man, Mary  
 Pilate and Christ.....Pilate, Annas, Jesus, Ensemble  
 King Herod's Song.....Herod, Ensemble  
 Judas's Death.....Judas, Annas, Caiaphas, Ensemble  
 Could We Start Again Please.....Mary, Peter  
 Trial Before Pilate/39 Lashes...Pilate, Caiaphas, Annas, Jesus, Ensemble  
 Superstar.....Judas, Soul Sisters, Angels  
 Crucifixion.....Jesus, Ensemble  
 John 19:41.....Instrumental

## ORCHESTRA

Piano: Joe Lesky  
Drums: Liam McGeary  
Guitar: Zach Self  
Bass: David Hilton

Trombone: Paul Winch  
Reeds: Ginny Johnston  
Trumpet: Billy Domke  
Trumpet: Tim Wendt

Viola: Catherine Liu  
Cello: Matthew Liu  
Violin: Austin Lee  
Flute: Rachel Carroll



## OUR SINCERE THANKS...

Jennifer Gander, Sean O'Grady and Bernards Township Recreation & Parks staff for their continued support

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Light Opera of New Jersey

Liberty Corner Fire Company for rehearsal space

Saint Mark's Episcopal Church for help with costumes

Bishop Janes United Methodist Church for help with costumes

Ridge High School marching band for loaning us their popcorn machine

Special thanks to Beverly Webb for once again making the trek across the country to help create the magic on stage— we couldn't do it without her!





## WHO'S WHO PRODUCTION

**Lorrie Lane** (Executive Producer) has produced/directed plays for Trilogy Repertory and Plays in the Park since 1992. At Bernardsville Middle School, she created the drama, forensics, and improv programs, which garnered numerous awards and championships over a twenty-five year period. Lorrie currently volunteers at the PaperMill and Shakespeare Theaters of New Jersey and is a long-time evaluator for the PaperMill's Rising Star Program.

**Jaye Barre** (Director) has directed productions for Plays in the Park for many years as well as Ridge High School and other local schools. Recent projects include *The Little Mermaid*, *Godspell*, *Cats*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Peter Pan*, *Titanic*, *Oklahoma*, *Music Man* and *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Her on stage credits in Plays in the Park include a pirate in *Pirates of Penzance*, and Mrs Bumbell in *Oliver*. Jaye has worn every hat possible for Trilogy and other theater groups. She is the artistic director for Heritage Trail, serves on the Bernards Township Charter Day Committee and is the township representative to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission. Jaye also served on the Bernards Township 250th Anniversary Task Force.

**Joe Lesky** (Musical Director) is very excited to work with Trilogy Repertory in his second year as musical director. Other shows he has musically directed include *In the Heights*, *Godspell*, and *The Addams Family*. He is an avid songwriter and composer, releasing an EP on iTunes in November 2015 and his first music video "Look in Your Eyes" in August 2016. He thanks the cast and crew for making every summer significantly more enjoyable. [www.joelesky.com](http://www.joelesky.com)

**Mariella Klinger** (Choreographer) is a teaching artist for Fresh Theatre Arts, singer, dancer, model, professional actor, director, choreographer and bookworm. She is really fun to be around. Mariella has appeared in the roles of Lucille Frank in *Parade*, Mimi Marquez in *Rent*, The Narrator in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, and many others. She toured the Northeast for two years with the Traveling Lantern Theatre Company, a theatre company that produces two-person plays based on popular literature. With this company, Mariella was performing as Bilbo Baggins in *The Hobbit*, Lucy and The White Witch in *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, Professor Moriarty in *Sherlock Holmes*, and every single part in *A Christmas Carol*. Mariella has directed many community theatre productions. Her favorites include a production of *In The Heights* for Trilogy Repertory and *Guys and Dolls* for Main Street Theatre Company, for which she directed and choreographed. You can reach her at [mariella.klinger@gmail.com](mailto:mariella.klinger@gmail.com) and follow her on Twitter, @mariellalynn.

**Erin Taylor** (Stage Manager) is excited to be working her fifth production with Plays in the Park this summer, the second one she has had the pleasure of stage managing. A rising sophomore at the University of Maryland, studying technical theatre, some of her past stage-managing experiences include *In the Heights* for Trilogy Repertory and *The Addams Family* at Ridge High School. At UMD, she enjoyed participating in shows as wardrobe and production crew, and looks forward to being an assistant stage manager for their production of *Antigone* in the fall. She would like to thank the cast, crew and production staff who help to make this show possible including lights, sound, costumes, and construction. You are all Superstars!!!

**Beverly Webb** (Set Decorator, Costume Manager) is thrilled to once again travel from Southern California to work on the creative side of this production tonight under all climatic conditions. Bev has been involved with Plays in the Park for many, many years both on the stage and backstage. What a way to spend your summer vacation and rack up the frequent flyer miles!

**Marilyn Gamba** (Rehearsal Assistant) has been working with Trilogy and Plays in the Park for many years and has filled in for more actors in rehearsal than she cares to remember. She prefers to work her magic backstage .



## WHO'S WHO CAST

**Karena Breslow** (Soul Girl) is thrilled to be in her first show with Trilogy Repertory! Some of her past favorite roles include the Snake in the world premiere production of *Children of Eden Jr.* (Summit Playhouse), and Shrek in *Shrek Jr.* (William Annin). She is a dancer at the Dance Center of New Jersey, and this spring was accepted into the Tisch Future Dancers program at New York University. Many thanks to the cast, crew, and staff of this show for all of their hard work. Break legs!

**Emily Certisimo** (Ensemble) is so excited to be performing in her first production with Trilogy Repertory. Emily is a rising senior at Bernards High School. She has previously performed in *Seussical the Musical*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Once on This Island*, and *Company* at her high school. She would like to thank the cast and crew of *Jesus Christ Superstar* for making this such a wonderful experience for her

**Katie Cozzi** (Ensemble) is very excited to be performing in her first production with Trilogy! Katie is a graphic designer in Morristown who graduated in 2015 from Monmouth University. While in school she pursued her love of music by studying voice performance and being involved in the first student run musical production with Boom Roasted Productions. Katie would like to thank everyone in the cast for their hard work and also her mom, dad, sister and friends for supporting her musical endeavors throughout the years.

**Laura DeFelice** (Ensemble) is an experienced classical singer who has been performing with several New Jersey performance organizations. While this is the first time she is performing with Trilogy Repertory Company, Laura has previously performed with Light Opera of NJ, Basking Ridge, NJ, Vocal Productions NYC, New York, NY; The Mid Atlantic Opera, New Jersey; The Masterwork Chorus and the Masterwork Camerata, Morristown, NJ; and The Morris Chorale Society, Morris Plains, NJ. In her spare time, Laura is a principal of a company focused on investing in, developing, owning, leasing and managing multi-family and commercial real estate that incorporates energy efficiency and renewable energy technology, or “green buildings”. She and her husband, Mike, and 4 children live in Harding Township, NJ. Laura has a Doctor of Jurisprudence from Columbia University School of Law, New York, NY and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Philosophy from Tufts University, Medford, MA. Laura has also studied Economics at the London School of Economics, London, England. Laura is a member of the Brookings Institution Council, Washington D.C., and a Trustee of the Credit Suisse Mutual Fund Group, New York, NY.

**Anchal Dhir** (Woman by the Fire, Ensemble) is a current student at Watchung Hills Regional High School and is excited to be a part of the musical *Jesus Christ Superstar* with Trilogy Repertory, as a Maid by the Fire. Her most recent credits include Babette in the musical *Beauty and The Beast*, Ursula from *The Little Mermaid*, Ti Moune from *Once on This Island*, and the White Rabbit from *Alice in Wonderland*. She will be pursuing musical theatre within college, and her future. Anchal would like to thank her family for supporting her aspirations. She would also like to thank her very special vocal teacher Stan Dunn, for guiding her as an artist.

**Julia Drazhal** (Soul Sister) makes her first appearance with Trilogy Repertory as a Soul Sister in JCS. Past roles include Viola (*Twelfth Night*), Wendy (*Peter Pan*), Mistress Mary (*Babes in Toyland*), Susan Hollander (*Don't Drink the Water*), and Blousey Brown (*Bugsy Malone*). Julia has also choreographed *The Drowsy Chaperone* (2016) and *Sweeney Todd; The Demon Barber of Fleet Street* (2017) with the Mendham Players. She wishes to thank all those involved with the production for making her last show before going to college a memorable one.



## WHO'S WHO CAST, continued

**Kyle Gelatka** (Apostle) is excited to join his first production with Trilogy Repertory. He has previously been a member of productions at Mendham High School, from where he recently graduated. Past shows include *The Who's Tommy* (Ensemble), *Twelfth Night* (Antonio), *The Drowsy Chaperone* (Underling), *Peter and the Star Catcher* (Lord Aster), and *Sweeney Todd* (Judge Turpin). Kyle is overjoyed to be given the privilege to work with such a dedicated group of individuals for this production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. He would like to thank his former director Joey Braccino for pushing him to join this amazing cast.

**Troy Giel** (Jesus) works as an actuary for Prudential in Newark. However, he has always been a lover of theater and has performed many times from high school performances to shows at Penn State where he went to college. Some of his favorite past roles include Andrew Jackson (*Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson*), Chip (*25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*), Reverend Hale (*The Crucible*), Tommy Wiseau (Stage Adaptation of *The Room*), Clarence (*It's a Wonderful Life*), and Max (*Lend Me a Tenor*).

**Suchir Govindarajan** (Soldier, Apostle) is a rising freshman in TCNJ's Honors College. He is very excited to have worked with all of the talented cast, crew, and directing members of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Suchir recently became involved in theatre in his senior year at Watchung Hills Regional High School. His roles included Mr. Darling in *Peter Pan* and Maurice in *Beauty and the Beast*. Outside of theatre, Suchir enjoys working with Habitat for Humanity to build homes and with local organizations to help the community. Suchir will be studying business/economics at TCNJ and minoring in Russian and Arabic. Suchir would like to thank his mom for always supporting and encouraging him, his grandmother and father for keeping him sane, and his sister for actually coming to the show. Enjoy the production!

**Allison Hewitt** (Soul Sister) is thrilled to be back in the park for her second production with Trilogy. With twelve years of dance experience she is fully prepared to dance her heart out as a Soul Sister this year. She has also performed with Light Opera of New Jersey and with the theatre department at Bernards High School where she will be graduating from in the spring of 2018.

**Jack Hillebrecht** (Apostle) is thrilled to be featured as an Apostle in Trilogy's Production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. A rising Junior at Oratory Prep, he has had a lifelong passion for performing on the stage as well as the screen. Jack has previously appeared in several school-level productions, and *Jesus Christ Superstar* is his first show with Trilogy. Some of his recent roles include Ching Ho in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* and the Baker from *Into the Woods*

**Caitlin Iannella** (Ensemble, Young Mary) has been involved with theatre since middle school. From *Guys and Dolls* to *Mary Poppins*. Music has always been Caitlin's passion. Caitlin has been in marching band for four years in high school. She played the piccolo in the band. Caitlin enjoys acting, singing, and playing instruments. She will continue her love for music as a sophomore in the fall at Montclair State University. At Montclair, she is a Soprano in the a capella group as well as in the Montclair State University choir. Caitlin is going for an Occupational Therapy degree and also majoring in music. During the summer, she is a summer counselor at the Summit YMCA. There, she teaches the specialty camps such as science, music, theatre, etc. Caitlin is extremely excited to be a part of the cast, and wishes everyone in the cast and crew the best of luck.

**Jessica Idell (Ensemble)** is so excited to be performing with Trilogy again! She was last seen in the park as Miss Flannery in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* with the Light Opera of NJ. Previous Trilogy productions include *Spamalot*, *Tommy*, *The Music Man*, *Oliver*, and *Peter Pan*. Jessica has been choreographing musicals for over ten years in the Somerset County area and she is co-founder of the theatre company Footlights of Martinsville. Many thanks to Jaye and the team for all of their hard work!



## WHO'S WHO CAST, continued

**Francesca Infante-Meehan** (Soul Sister) is thrilled to be a part of Plays in the Park. Last year she was in Trilogy's ensemble of *In the Heights*. Francesca performed two years ago at Carnegie Hall with PCI and was in another PCI production called *Sally Six String* as Jacey. She has trained in ballet for 13 years, and attends Somerset County Votech for the Gifted and Talented of performing arts. Francesca would like to thank her family for supporting her dreams knowing how hard it is to thrive in this career. She would also like to thank her new friend and vocal teacher, Stan Dunn

**Melissa Johnson** (Ensemble) has just completed her sophomore year at Ridge High School. This is Melissa's third summer participating in Plays In The Park, having done *Mary Poppins* and *In The Heights* the past two years. Additionally, Melissa has been in *Free To Be You And Me*, *CATS*, *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*, *Godspell*, *Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, and *Wishes and Dreams* with the BJUMC Drama Camp. She is currently rehearsing for the *Wizard Of Oz* there and is also involved with Bishop Janes United Methodist Church's choir program. Melissa also sings in the choir at Ridge High School and is a member of the RHS A Cappella Choir. Melissa has had tons of fun at rehearsal and has thoroughly enjoyed constantly searching for her mother in the temple! She can't wait for everyone to see the show and she hopes you enjoy *Jesus Christ Superstar*!

**Eleanor Klinger** (Ensemble) is so happy to be performing in *Jesus Christ Superstar*, one of her favorite musicals! Although she has shared many memories working with Jaye backstage for Ridge Drama, Plays in the Park, and Trilogy Children's Theatre, this is the first time she has the privilege of working under Jaye's direction. She is delighted to be working again with Jaye, Joe, Erin, and her daughter, Mariella, as well as this wonderful cast and crew. Eleanor sends all her love to Arlen and the rest of the Klinger Clan – thanks for all your support! Enjoy the show!

**Mariella Klinger** (Soul Sister) is a teaching artist for Fresh Theatre Arts, singer, dancer, model, professional actor, director, choreographer and bookworm. She is really fun to be around. Mariella has appeared in the roles of Lucille Frank in *Parade*, Mimi Marquez in *Rent*, The Narrator in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, and many others. She toured the Northeast for two years with the Traveling Lantern Theatre Company, a theatre company that produces two-person plays based on popular literature. With this company, Mariella was performing as Bilbo Baggins in *The Hobbit*, Lucy and The White Witch in *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, Professor Moriarty in *Sherlock Holmes*, and every single part in *A Christmas Carol*. Mariella has directed many community theatre productions. Her favorites include a production of *In The Heights* for Trilogy Repertory and *Guys and Dolls* for Main Street Theatre Company, for which she directed and choreographed. You can reach her at [mariella.klinger@gmail.com](mailto:mariella.klinger@gmail.com) and follow her on Twitter, @mariellalynn.

**Emmalee Lafean** (Ensemble) is a rising junior at Ridge High School and is enthused to be in the ensemble in *Jesus Christ Superstar* She has performed in productions of *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Mary Poppins*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, and *Le Nozze Di Figaro*. This is her first production with Trilogy's Plays in the Park and she is very grateful to Jay Barre and Joseph Lesky for giving her the opportunity to work and perform with such a talented group of people. She would also like to thank her voice coach, Nadine Robinson, her parents, and her sister for pushing her to her very limits to help her strive to be the performer she is today.



## WHO'S WHO CAST, continued

**Patty Lafean** (Ensemble) is excited to be in the Plays in the Park production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Her latest theatrical performance was as a senior at Ridge High School in *Annie, Get Your Gun* in 1979. Since then, she has performed with the Cathedral Choral Society under the direction of the late J. Reilly Lewis at the National Cathedral in Washington, D. C. and the Oratorio Society at the Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church. She has sung with the St. James adult choir in Basking Ridge and currently sings weekly with the St. Luke's Episcopal Choir. She would like to thank her husband Ed and her daughters Ginny and Emmalee, also in this production, for their constant encouragement and support.

**Virginia Lafean** (Ensemble) will be a senior at Ridge High School in September, and is so excited to participate in the famous rock opera *Jesus Christ Superstar* with Plays in the Park. Her performance history includes *The Addams Family*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz*, and Golde in *Fiddler on the Roof*, as well as scenes, recitals, and performances from many operas such as *Le Nozze di Figaro*, *Die Csardasfürstin*, and *La Clemenza di Tito*. She would like to thank Jaye Barre for this wonderful opportunity, as well as her loving parents and sister for their never-ending support and her incredible voice teacher, Nadine Robinson.

**John Lamb** (Caiaphas) is making his Trilogy Repertory debut, although Plays in the Park audiences may remember him from Light Opera of New Jersey productions of *The Mikado* (Mikado) and *The Pirates of Penzance* (Sergeant of Police). In addition to numerous LONJ performances in roles ranging from deities and emperors to trees and singing armchairs, he has appeared in shows at Brundage Park Playhouse and the Barn Theatre. He sings and plays with local ensembles Harmonium Choral Society, The Early Music Players of New Jersey and The Eclectic Consort. He is a soloist and bass section leader at Christ Church in Short Hills. John holds electrical engineering degrees from the University of Virginia and Stevens Institute of Technology and lives in Randolph with his wife Kristine.

**John Christopher Lubarsky** (Priest) has been acting under Jaye Barre's direction for over 20 years. His past roles include a decade of children's theater at Saint James in such plays as *Godspell*, *School House Rock*, *CATS*, *Wishes and Dreams*; with his first role under Trilogy's purview as a Squire in *Camelot* (1996). Having caught the "musical bug", he returned to the stage as Big Deal in *West Side Story*, as a member of stage crew for *Titanic* and *Guys & Dolls*, J-Man in *You Can't Take It With You*, The Conductor in *The Music Man*, Guard in *Spamalot* and most recently a Pharisee in this year's production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*(2017).

**Angela Masi** (Ensemble) is a Manhattan-based actress and an active music educator in NY/NJ. Favorite roles include Eve (*Children of Eden*), Kate/Lucy (*Avenue Q*), and The Baker's Wife (*Into The Woods*). Thank you to cast and crew at Trilogy for the opportunity to be a part of such a fantastic piece of storytelling! *Soli Deo Gloria*

**Germaine McGrath** (Ensemble) sang with the Community Music Theater, appearing in most of the Rodgers and Hammerstein shows; also *The Merry Widow*, *Show Boat*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Man of La Manche*, *Annie Get Your Gun* and *Gigi*. She an extra at Paper Mill Playhouse in *To Kill a Mockingbird* and *Gigi*; danced in the Middle Eastern Dance Troup *Mirage* until its demise. She was in Hexagon's *Annie* and *Oliver!* and the independent films "Mary Horror," "Sheriff Tom and the Zombies," and "Pretty Fine Things." With Trilogy, Germaine has appeared in five Shakespeare productions, *Inherit the Wind*, *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, and *Mary Poppins*. Happy to be in *Superstar*. Holy Week will never be the same again.



## WHO'S WHO CAST, continued

**Caroline McKenna** (Ensemble) is a rising junior studying music at Muhlenberg College in Pennsylvania. Caroline has participated in many Trilogy and other local productions since she was 8. Some of her favorite roles are Lucy in *Charlie Brown*, Grizabella from *Cats* and Eulalie Mackecknie Shin from *The Music Man*. At Muhlenberg, Caroline was selected to perform in their annual opera workshop productions, most notably *Carmen* just staged in April 2017 along with their choral programs at Muhlenberg. Caroline graduated Ridge High and participated in their musicals and drama productions and was most proud of her years in the Choral programs; The A capella, Madrigals and Concert choirs. Caroline placed in the 2013 and 2014 N.J. Region 2 choir and recently performed with the Women's All State Choir for 2014. Caroline would like to thank Jaye Barre for all her support, and her friends and family for coming to ALL the shows. Break a leg everybody!!!

**Owen McKenna** (Peter) is thrilled to be performing as Peter in *Jesus Christ Superstar!* Some of his favorite performances include Ridge High School productions of *Fiddler on the Roof*, where he played Tevye, and *The Addams Family*, where he was Gomez. Additionally, he has played Harold Hill in *The Music Man*, Berger in *Hair*, and Finian in *Finian's Rainbow*. Through his high school career, he participated in the Ridge A Cappella Choir, New Jersey All States and Region 2 Choirs, many Trilogy Repertory productions, Somerset Hills Y's Saturdays in Motion Volunteer Program, National Honor Society, swam competitively for Berkeley Aquatic Club, and is a certified lifeguard. He wants to thank Jaye, Joe, Mariella, and everyone in cast/crew for helping to make the show possible. A special thanks to his voice teacher, Stan Dunn, for all his assistance. It has been a tremendous honor performing on the park stage with such amazing people. He hopes everyone enjoys the show!

**Hannah Melillo** (Ensemble) an incoming freshman at Fordham University, is thrilled to be a part of Trilogy Repertory's 2017 production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. She recently played the role of Belle in Watchung Hills Regional High School's production of *Beauty and the Beast*. Other previous roles include Audrey in *Little Shop of Horrors*, Lucy Van Pelt in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, Nibs in *Peter Pan*, and Alice in *Alice in Wonderland*. Hannah has also performed in the ensemble of *The Wizard of Oz* and *She Loves Me*, and she served as an assistant director of her high school's production of *The Skin of Our Teeth*. She would like to thank her family and friends for their constant love and encouragement. She would also like to thank her directors and her vocal teacher, Stan Dunn, for consistently challenging her and stimulating her passion for performance.

**Jack Melillo** (Apostle) just finished his freshman year at Watchung Hills Regional High School and is thrilled to be in this production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. In this show, he is an apostle. In the past productions, he has played Peter in *Peter Pan* (Watchung Hills Regional High School), Mr. Mayor in *Seussical* and Aladdin in *Aladdin* (Central Middle School). He thanks his friends, family, and his voice teacher, Stan Dunn, for all the love and support.

**Jack Pacetti** (*Simon Zealot*) is thrilled to join Trilogy Repertory's Plays in the Park production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. He studies acting at Peach Craft Studios, voice from Stan Dunn, and dance at Pure Movement Dance Center & Ballet Forte Wings Conservatory with Andrea Kramer. For the past four summers, he has studied at Stagedoor Manor and Papermill Playhouse. His previous credits include *Of Mice & Men* (Curley), *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (Trevor Graydon), *A Little Princess* (Capt. Crewe), *Mary Poppins* (Park Keeper), *The Little Mermaid* (Prince Eric), *The Pirates of Penzance* (Samuel), *Les Miserables* (Enjolrales), *The Secret Garden* (Dickon), *Curtains* (Daryl Grady), *Hairspray* (Link Larkin), *Fiddler on the Roof* (Mendel), *The Music Man* (Tommy Djilas), *Hello Dolly* (Ambrose Kemper), *West Side Story* (Action). He is grateful for this great opportunity. He gives his thanks to his director Jay Barre, his teachers & mentors, his family, and God.



## WHO'S WHO CAST, continued

**Chuck Pisano** (Priest) is excited to be involved in this production with such a talented cast. He has been involved with Trilogy for several years starting with Agatha Christie's *Witness for the Prosecution* as well as Winter Children's Theater productions of *A Tale of Sleeping Beauty* and *The Wizard of Oz*. This is Chuck's fourth Plays in the Park show having previously done *Oliver*, *Footloose*, *the Musical* and *Mary Poppins*, all with his wife Rhonda. Other shows he has been in include *The Mouse that Roared* and *Dames at Sea*.

**Catherine Pluchino** (Ensemble) is performing for the first time in twenty years, since her last stage performance in *Pippin* in Morristown NJ. She is absolutely honored to join this amazing cast of formidable talents, alongside her daughter Isabel. Her performance is a surprise & gift, dedicated with all of her heart to her darling, wonderful love ~ Michael. "The best kind of love is the kind that awakens the soul from its dormant state, it makes us reach for more, it lights the fire in our heart & brings peace to our mind. That's what I hope to give you forever." "Life, prepare to be surprised!" A very special thanks to our director Jaye Barre & our choreographer Mariella Klinger for this wonderful experience & their incredible direction. She hopes that you enjoy the show!

**Isabel Pluchino** (Mary Magdalene) is beyond excited to be performing in her first show with Trilogy Repertory. She is a rising senior at Bernards High School. At Bernards, she has performed in *The 39 Steps*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Greater Tuna*, *Midsummer Jersey*, *Once On This Island*, and, most recently, *Company*. She is beyond ecstatic to have had the opportunity of working with such a talented and hardworking community of people. She is also beyond proud of her mom, Catherine, who stepped out of her comfort zone and did the show with her. She would like to dedicate her performances to Michael, Coleen, Mark and her Dad, friends and family for their love and support. A special thank you to Jaye Barre and Mariella Klinger for giving her this amazing opportunity and experience.

**Nicolas Re** (Man by the Fire, Apostle) is so excited to be in yet another Trilogy musical ensemble. Last year he made his debut with Trilogy as Jose in *In The Heights* and this year he can't wait to go on stage as the Angel Gabriel, an Apostle, and many other types of characters. Though this is only his second show with Trilogy, Nicolas has been in a myriad of shows including *A Chorus Line*, *Godspell*, *Once On This Island*, and *Guys And Dolls* just to name a few. He would also like to thank everyone who supported him through this career and especially the cast and crew for making this experience that much better!

**Angela Ricci** (Soul Girl) is ecstatic to be returning to Plays in the Park in this year's production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. She is happy to be back on stage after choreographing for the NJ Jr. Thespians and Playhouse 22's production of *The Drowsy Chaperone* (assistant Choreographer). Angie would like to take this time to thank Jaye, Joe, Mariella, her cast, crew, and all of her friends and family for their endless support.

**Kristin Sands** (Ensemble) is happily making her Trilogy debut, 18 years after her last musical theatre role as Maria in *The Sound of Music*, with Blatt's Dinner Theater in Kutztown, PA. In these past 18 years, Kristin has performed and toured internationally, as well as recorded with the international award-winning Antioch Chamber Ensemble (a vocal group of twelve professional singers), the Grammy-nominated Choir of Trinity Wall St., and Aeode Consort, specializing in the Baroque era and premiering new choral music. Kristin sings regularly with the Somerset Hills Chorus, and is on the board of Music in the Somerset Hills. With a BM in Voice Performance from Westminster Choir College, Kristin teaches at a private voice and piano studio in the home she shares with her husband and favorite tenor Stephen, amazing daughter Micaela, and small zoo of pets. Kristin is thankful for her family's support, and most of all, to God, for the gift of music in our lives.



## WHO'S WHO CAST, continued

**Micaela Sands** (Ensemble) proudly returns to the stage with Trilogy Repertory for her second Plays in the Park production. After *Mary Poppins* in 2015, Micaela continued her acting studies with Young Actors at Strasberg, at the Lee Strasberg Theatre and Film Institute. Micaela has also been involved with her middle school's productions of *101 Dalmatians, Jr.* and *The Lion King, Jr.* Previously, she performed in *Mary Poppins*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Charlotte's Web*, and *The Fabulous Fable Factory* at the Albrook School. Micaela is an enthusiastic equestrian, plays the flute, and is often found obsessing over horses, snuggling with her pets, and spending time with her friends.

**Joseph Schmidt** (King Herod) is thrilled to be back on the Trilogy stage as a part of this amazing show! Previous Trilogy roles have included Mr. Banks (*Mary Poppins*), Captain Hook (*Peter Pan*), Henry Etches (*Titanic*), Luther Billis (*South Pacific*), Lord Evelyn (*Anything Goes*), Ali Hakim (*Oklahoma!*), Gangster #1 (*Kiss Me Kate*) and the Duke (*Big River*). Thanks to Joe and Mariella for this opportunity and especially Jaye for the past 23 years of theater with Trilogy! Break a leg to the amazing cast and crew!

**Rosellen Schussler** (Ensemble) loves working both on and off stage. Back stage roles include: Assistant Stage Manager (*A Few Good Men*) PH22; Stage Manager (*Nuts*) MSTC; Production Assistant (*And Then There Were None*) MSTC. She has also been Property Manager for numerous shows including *The Odd Couple*, *Company*, *Sweeney Todd*, and most recently *Guys and Dolls* and MSTC. On stage, Rosellen has been in various shows around the central Jersey area. She was last seen on Main Street as Mary Magdalene (*Jesus Christ Superstar*). Past favorite roles include Georgie Buckatinsky (*The Full Monty*) Soupy Sue (*Urinetown*), Ethel Toffelmeir (*Music Man*) at MSTC and Ethel McCormack (*Footloose*) at SVP. She also has performed as Belle (*A Christmas Carol*), Atomic Radio Theater Rutgers College Radio. By day, Rosellen is a dental hygienist in Old Bridge and a cantor at Saint Mary's RC Church in South Amboy.

**David Seamon** (Judas) is an actor, pianist, composer, and teaching artist. Graduated from the School of Communication and Information at Rutgers University in 2011 with a degree in Journalism/Media Studies and Spanish. David works as a teaching artist at George Street Playhouse and McCarter Theatre, and is the director of the Company Instrumental Ensemble at the Wharton Institute of Performing Arts. David won the Silver Tripod Award at Campus MovieFest in 2013 for his score for the short film "Melody." Currently workshopping an original musical, *The Eleventh Hour*, produced by CoLab Arts.

**William Shelton** (Soldier/Apostle) is extremely excited about performing his first role in Plays in the Park! His previous roles include Sky Masterson in *Guys and Dolls*, Papa Ge in *Once On This Island*, Bob Cratchit in *A Christmas Carol*, a Clown in *The 39 Steps*, and a Wickersham Brother in *Suessical! The Musical* at Bernards High. He is so happy to be a part of *Jesus Christ Superstar* and hopes you enjoy the show! He is so thankful for all the support from his friends and family and hopes everyone has a great time!

**Amy Six** (Ensemble) is very excited to perform in this summer's production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Amy first performed with Trilogy twenty years ago and is happy to be back in the park once again. No stranger to the stage, Amy has performed in many musicals including *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Oklahoma!* and *West Side Story*, an opera or two and numerous solo performances. During the school year Amy is the Director of Choral Music at North Plainfield High School. Nowadays, she plays the role of Music Director for the pit orchestra. MD credits include *Anything Goes*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Little Shop*, *Grease*, *A Chorus Line* - just to name a few. Amy would like to thank her husband Scott for hanging out with the kids during all the rehearsals and thanks to Jake and Teddy for hanging out with Daddy while she is at rehearsals.



## WHO'S WHO CAST, continued

**Frank Skokan** (Annas) is grateful, as ever, for the hard work and dedication of all that make this production with Trilogy Rep. possible. Previous roles here include Mr. Bumble in *Oliver*, Mayor Shin in *Music Man*, Gangster in *Kiss Me Kate*, The Bosin' and Captain in *HMS Pinafore*, and last summer Kevin Rosario in *In The Heights*. Other credits were Off- Broadway at The Public Theatre, the Amato Opera, as a principle baritone with the New York Gilbert and Sullivan Players, and stock at The New London Barn Playhouse and Hershey Park. NJ credits were a guest artist at Morris County College as the Wazir in *Kismet*, the Sergeant in *Pirates of Penzance* at Sussex Count Col., Gomez in *Addams Family* and the Count in the *Marrage of Figaro* with Stony Hill Players, Pooh Bah in the *Mikado* with Montclair Operetta and numerous principle roles with Light Opera of NJ just to name a few. He currently makes weekly appearances at Raymour and Flanigan furniture ( [FSkokan@raymourflanigan.com](mailto:FSkokan@raymourflanigan.com)). Special thanks to his wife Adrienne and my daughters Lindsay and Hannah for their love and support.

**Hayden Verbanas** (Apostle) is excited and pumped to be a part of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. He is going into his junior year at Somerville High School. At his school, he is a member of the chamber choir, men's choir, and drama program. He is also entering his 4th year at Rutgers High School Musical Theatre Academy at Mason Gross School of the Arts. Past roles include: *Peter Pan* (Peter Pan), *Mary Poppins* (Robertson Aye), *In the Heights* (Ensemble), *How To Succeed In Business* (Bud Frump), and more. Hayden would like to thank his parents for keeping up with his rehearsal schedule and providing him rides, his sister for believing in him, his RHSMTA friends for their constant support, and Alistair Williams and Stephen Agosto for teaching him everything he knows.

**Rohin Verma** (Apostle) is recent graduate of Ridge High School and looks forward to his future college endeavors. Some of his past experiences include Perchik in *Fiddler on the Roof* and Paul Sycamore in *You Can't Take it With You* at Ridge. Rohin is currently pursuing acting within film and tv along with assistant directing the TeensVill production of *Heathers*. (Now, time for the "totally predictable ending of any bio" part...) Rohin would like to thank his family and friends for supporting him. However, the "thanks" don't stop there!! He would also like to thank Jaye, Joe, and Mariella for making *Jesus Christ Superstar* such an interesting experience! Have a great night, swat those bugs away, and enjoy the show.

**Jon Wells** (Pilate) is proud to be making his Trilogy debut in a show as legendary as *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Playing a character as debated and complex as Pontius Pilate has been a real pleasure, and he's beginning to understand the historical context of the story in a way he never has before. He hopes he can make Pilate seem more like a flawed man who made a difficult decision based on obligation, and less like the tyrant he has been painted as. Jon graduated from Kean University in 2014 with a B.A. in Theater. Some of his past credits include Pharaoh (*Joseph...Dreamcoat*), George (*Billy Elliot*), Franz (*The Producers*), Ernst (*Cabaret*), Tom Watson (*Parade*), Banquo (*Macbeth*), Zeus (*The Odyssey*), and Wilbur Turnblad (*Hairspray*). Regional Credits: Giovanni (*The Penguin Tango*) at the RedHouse Arts Center in Syracuse, NY. He would like to thank his family and incredible partner for their continued love and support.

**Ria Wolff** (Ensemble) is performing in the first show since college and is happy to perform with such a talented group of people. Ria has been an educator for many years and enjoys singing with a Byzantine choir.



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## Musicals

*School Daze*

*Damn Yankees*

*The Music Man*

*Brigadoon*

*Bye Bye Birdie*

*Anything Goes*

*Kismet*

*Oklahoma*

*Camelot*

*Big River*

*West Side Story*

*South Pacific*

*Titanic*

*Guys & Dolls*

*Into The Woods*

*The Pirates of Penzance*

*Seussical, The Musical*

*The Fantasticks*

*The Mikado*

*Peter Pan*

*Kiss Me, Kate*

*H.M.S. Pinafore*

*Oliver*

*Music Man*

*Footloose*

*A Funny Thing... Forum*

*Spamalot*

*Thoroughly Modern Millie*

*Mary Poppins*

*In the Heights*

## Classical

*Twelfth Night*

*A Midsummer Night's Dream*

*The Taming of the Shrew*

*The Compleat Works of*

*WLLM SHKSPR (abridged)*

*Cyrano de Bergerac*

*Comedy of Errors*

*The Tempest*

*Scapino*

*Romeo and Juliet*

*Much Ado About Nothing*

*The Merry Wives of Windsor*

*Twelfth Night*

*Taming of the Shrew*

*As You Like It*

*You Can't Take It With You*

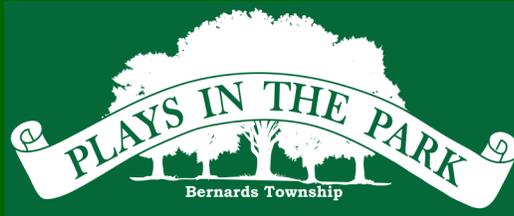
*Macbeth*

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*Inherit the Wind*

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**Wednesdays at Dunham Park**

**Bring your own blanket or lawn chair for seating.**

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**July 12: Lilo & Stitch**

**July 19: Honey I Shrunk the Kids**

**July 26: Finding Dory**

**Aug 2: Beauty & the Beast**

*(1991 Animated Film)*

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## 7PM at Pleasant Valley Park

### Tuesdays in July

**July 11: We May Be Right**  
*Billy Joel Tribute*

**July 18: Jimmy & the Parrots**

**July 25: Frontiers**  
*Ultimate Journey Tribute*

**August 1: Beatlemania Again**

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