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Lauren Sprock (River City Teen) is a freshman from Somerset, PA, looking forward to dancing her way into The Music Man. Throughout high school, she was an active member in the music and drama departments, playing several instruments and dancing in several musicals, such as West Side Story and Pippin. Outside of Bluebards, she is on the Rifle Team, sings with the Gospel Choir, and plays violin in the Cadet Orchestra.

Charlie Stevens (Jacey Squires) has never been in a musical, though he has attended every Bluebards production since his doolie year. His close friend and future roommate Todd Campo was heavily involved in these productions, and, upon learning that Todd would again be part of the spring musical, Charlie decided to audition and become part of the team! Charlie has lots of experience with singing; he is an active member of “In the Stairwell” and “Scola,” a church men and women’s advanced acapella group. He also enjoys playing guitar and writing music.

Jessica Thomas (River City Teen) is a sophomore from Vicenza, Italy (military brat), who is delighted to be making her Bluebards debut in The Music Man. She has experience dancing and singing from years of choir and cheerleading. Aside from Bluebards, Jess is on the Model United Nations team at USAFA. She also enjoys watching movies, singing, and hanging out with friends. Jess would like to thank her family, teammates, and the entire cast, especially all the other River City Teens.

Curi von Schlag (River City Teen) is a freshman from Highland, MD. She is thrilled to be joining Bluebards in this year’s musical. Despite few theatre roles in recent years, she spent much of her childhood participating in theatre. In addition to Bluebards, she is a member of the USAFA Diving Team and loves competing on the Academy’s behalf. In her free time, she loves to play music and sing with other cadets, go dancing, and spend time with her friends.

Jelani Washington (Olin Britt) - Jelani is a sophomore from Algonquin, IL, who is proud to be appearing in his third Bluebards production. His previous Bluebards roles were in West Side Story (Pepe) and Richard III (Ratcliff). In addition to Bluebards, Jelani is a member of USAFA’s Cadet Chorale. He also enjoys watching television and doing light calisthenics. Jelani would like to thank his family and the entire cast.

Jonathan Wikey (River City Teen) is very excited to be making his Bluebards debut in The Music Man. Although he has only acted in one show, The Rocky Horror Show his senior year of high school, and did so entirely off of a whim, he thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Getting to know the cast and crew is Jonathan’s favorite part of the process. Jonathan is a Men's Club Volleyball player and is a proud member of Stalag 17. Jonathan would like to thank the dedicated cast, everyone who encouraged him to try out, and especially his friends back home who motivated him to leave his comfort zone and put himself out there.
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Sarah Pattillo (Choreographer) is a sophomore who is participating in her second Bluebards show. Before coming to USAFA, she appeared in several school productions including You Can’t Take It with You and Oklahoma! Last year, she was a dancer in Bluebards’ West Side Story, for which she also choreographed the dream ballet sequence. Sarah has been dancing her whole life and has also performed in many ballets such as Giselle, The Nutcracker and Don Quixote. Additionally, Sarah is a member of the USAFA Dance Team. Big thanks to her friends and family!

Alex Ponce (Salesman, River City Teen) is a sophomore from Charlotte, NC, who was last seen as the ill-fated Lord Grey in Richard III. In high school he played Benvolio in Romeo & Juliet, and he enjoyed serving as the host/MC for different events. Outside of the theater, he enjoys watching Disney movies, going to the gym, and hanging with friends. Alex is thrilled to inject vitality into River City through dance and song, and he thanks his family, friends, and cast-mates.
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Allie Pruitt (River City Teen, Dancer) is a sophomore from Thornton, CO, who is delighted to be participating in *The Music Man*. Her previous theatre credits include roles in the productions of *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* (Mrs. Beauregarde) and Bluebards’ production of *West Side Story* (Dancer). Allie is a member of the USAFA cheerleading team and Falcon 50 crew. She also enjoys working out and watching TV. Allie would like to thank her family, her teammates, and the cast!

Robert Rauff (Professor Harold Hill) was born at a very young age. *The Music Man* is his third Bluebards musical; he previously played Riff in *West Side Story* and Cinderella’s Father in *Into the Woods*. He is humbled and honored to be working with such an amazing cast and club. Robert would like to thank his ACL, his lungs, Chunk Light Tuna in Water, and his friends and family. Check out his album atrobrauff.bandcamp.com

Krisanna Reynolds (Winthrop Paroo) is a junior from Smackover, AK, who is excited to make her Bluebards debut. Though she has no theater experience, she has been in band since 6th grade, and is currently a member of the Cadet Drum and Bugle Corps. She enjoys fishing, drawing, reading, and playing with her sponsor family’s dogs. She’d like to thank her family, friends, and the cast for welcoming her into their family. A special thanks belongs to her mom, dad, and Meme for encouraging her to get out of her comfort zone.

Julia Rochester (Asst. Director) is a sophomore taking part in her fourth Bluebards production. She has performed in Bluebards’ productions of *All My Sons* (Ann Deever) and *Richard III* (Lady Anne). She also served as the assistant director of last year’s musical, *West Side Story*. Julia is a member of the club volleyball team and the SPIRE group Navigators. She would like to thank her family, the cast, and the production team.

Preston Semenuk (Salesman, River City Teen) is a third-degree from Richardson, TX, who is delighted to be involved in his second Bluebards production. He made his Bluebards debut in *West Side Story* (Baby John). Previous theatre roles include Marty in *Back to the Future: The Musical*, Jay in *Lost in Yonkers*, and Oliver Twist in *Oliver!* Preston is a member of the Instructor Pilot Upgrade program and the USAFA Marathon Team. He is also working on a service project to create a community-oriented, financially sustainable future for Venetucci Farm in Fountain. Preston would like to thank his mom, dad, squadron (“Hardcore”), and the cast.

Dan Smith (Salesman, River City Townsperson) is a second-class cadet from Atkinson, NH. This is Dan’s second Bluebards production and his first musical at USAFA, previously cast in *Richard III* (Rivers). In middle school, Dan participated in two theatrical productions, *The Trial of the Big Bad Wolf* (Old King Cole) and *Annie Jr* (Sandy). Dan would like to thank the directors for finding a role for him in this production, as well as thank Dr. Napolitano for continuing to cultivate Dan’s love of theater.

River City, Iowa; 1912

Act One

Scene 1, A Train Car
“I’m On My Way”…………………………………Goodnight, My Someone”…………………………..Marian, Amaryllis

Scene 2, River City Town Square
“Iowa Stubborn”…………………………………“Goodnight, Ladies”…………………………………Marian, Olin, Ewart, and Jacey

Scene 3, A Street Outside the Paroo Home
“Merry Christmas, Baby”…………………………..Harold, Citizens of River City

Scene 4, The Parlor of the Paroo Household
“Goodnight, Ladies”…………………………………Harold, Citizens of River City

Scene 5, Madison Gymnasium, River City High School
“Seventy-Six Trombones”…………………………..Harold, Citizens of River City

Scene 6, Near the Madison Public Library
“Where Is the SIMPLEST Place”…………………………..Harold, Marcellus

Scene 7, Madison Public Library
“Goodnight, Ladies”…………………………………Olin, Ewart, and Jacey

Scene 8 and 9, Outside Mayor Shinn’s House
“My White Knight”…………………………………Marian

Scene 10, The Porch of the Paroo Home
“Till There Was You”…………………………………Marian, Harold

Act Two

Scene 1, Madison Gymnasium, River City High School
“It’s You”…………………………………Olin, Ewart, and Jacey

Scene 2, Near the Paroo Home
“Lida Rose”…………………………………Olin, Ewart, and Jacey

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Maria Gasparovich (River City Townsperson) is a sophomore from Philadelphia who is making her second Bluebards appearance; last fall, she played Oxford in Shakespeare’s Richard III. She would like to thank the cast and crew for making her first Bluebards musical so memorable.

Gabriella Gerving (River City Townsperson) is a freshman from West Point, NY. She is excited to continue her acting career here at USAFA in her second Bluebards production. Last fall, she played Princess Elizabeth in Richard III. She would like to thank her parents and friends for the ongoing support, and she hopes everyone enjoys the show.

Trinity Good (Mrs. Squires) is from Yorktown, VA, and a fourth-class cadet in squadron 18. She is very excited to be performing with Bluebards this semester and wants to thank her family for encouraging her to join. Trinity loves Netflix, Star Trek, and listening to music.

Ellie Ison (Marian Paroo) is a freshman from Walton, KY, and is very excited to make her Bluebards debut in such a classic musical! Her previous productions include Working (Cleaning Woman) and Bubble Boy (Female Gang Member #3). When she isn’t singing, Ellie enjoys lifting and watching Christmas movies with her boyfriend. She is also on the USAFA Women’s Rugby team. She’d like to give a huge shout-out to her family — Hi Mom I love you! — and her squaddies in CS-09!

Sam Lee (River City Townsperson) is a sophomore from Union City, California who is delighted to be making her Bluebards debut in The Music Man. He has no previous theatre credits, but he has experience playing instruments in various orchestras. Sam also enjoys eating and playing the violin. He would like to thank his family, teammates, and the entire cast, especially all the other citizens of River City.

Jen-Liz Maldonado (Gracie Shinn) is a senior appearing in her fifth Bluebards show. Previous productions include Rumors (Claire Ganz), Into the Woods (Cinderella’s Mother), All My Sons (Berta), and West Side Story (Consuelo). She would like to thank Lt Col Ruehl and the entire cast.

Taylor Markham (Ewart Dunlop) is a freshman who has participated in a number of productions, including Camelot, Bye Bye Birdie, and Turandot. He has previous experience singing through high school and was coached by his parents, both of whom sang professionally. Taylor is a member of the Weekend Warriors and spends his remaining free time studying knowledge and holding classmates accountable.

Eliza McCarthy (Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn) is a sophomore in Squadron 40. This is her second year participating in the Bluebards spring musical. Last year, in West Side Story, she played a female dancer as well as a male gang member. This year she is incredibly excited to take on the role of the absurd and confident Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn. When Eliza is not rehearsing with Bluebards she is either attending dance team practice or
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Aidan O’Connor (Salesman, River City Townsperson) is a freshman from Dover, DE, who is excited to make his Bluebards debut. In addition to Bluebards, Aidan is a member of the marathon team, the Cadet Chorale, the USAFA Dance Team, and the USAFA Catholic Choir. He also plays the guitar and the saxophone. Aidan would like to thank his family, his friends, his squadron, his vocal teacher Kate Johnson, Duwayne Sandlin, Keith McCarthy, and General (retired) William Begert.

Amy Padilla (Amaryllis) is a fourth-class cadet from Quantico, VA, among other places. This is her second Bluebards production after last fall’s Richard III (Duke of York). Amy enjoys reading, watching movies, going for hikes, and spending time with her family. She would like to thank all of her friends and family for their constant encouragement!

Sarah Pattillo (Choreographer) is a sophomore who is participating in her second Bluebards show. Before coming to USAFA, she appeared in several school productions including You Can’t Take It with You and Oklahoma! Last year, she was a dancer in Bluebards’ West Side Story, for which she also choreographed the dream ballet sequence. Sarah has been dancing her whole life and has also performed in many ballets such as Giselle, The Nutcracker and Don Quixote. Additionally, Sarah is a member of the USAFA Dance Team. Big thanks to her friends and family!

Alex Ponce (Salesman, River City Teen) is a sophomore from Charlotte, NC, who was last seen as the ill-fated Lord Grey in Richard III. In high school he played Benvolio in Romeo & Juliet, and he enjoyed serving as the host/MC for different events. Outside of the theater, he enjoys watching Disney movies, going to the gym, and hanging with friends. Alex is thrilled to inject vitality into River City through dance and song, and he thanks his family, friends, and cast-mates.
Who’s Who in the Cast

Allie Pruitt (River City Teen, Dancer) is a sophomore from Thornton, CO, who is delighted to be participating in The Music Man. Her previous theatre credits include roles in the productions of Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (Mrs. Beauregarde) and Bluebards’ production of West Side Story(Dancer). Allie is a member of the USAFA cheerleading team and Falcon 50 crew. She also enjoys working out and watching TV. Allie would like to thank her family, her teammates, and the cast!

Robert Rauff (Professor Harold Hill) was born at a very young age. The Music Man is his third Bluebards musical; he previously played Riff in West Side Story and Cinderella’s Father in Into the Woods. He is humbled and honored to be working with such an amazing cast and club. Robert would like to thank his ACL, his lungs, Chunk Light Tuna in Water, and his friends and family. Check out his album atrobrauff.bandcamp.com

Krisanna Reynolds (Winthrop Paroo) is a junior from Smackover, AK, who is excited to make her Bluebards debut. Though she has no theater experience, she has been in band since 6th grade, and is currently a member of the Cadet Drum and Bugle Corps. She enjoys fishing, drawing, reading, and playing with her sponsor family’s dogs. She’d like to thank her family, friends, and the cast for welcoming her into their family. A special thanks belongs to her mom, dad, and Meme for encouraging her to get out of her comfort zone.

Julia Rochester (Asst. Director) is a sophomore taking part in her fourth Bluebards production. She has performed in Bluebards’ productions of All My Sons (Ann Deever) and Richard III (Lady Anne). She also served as the assistant director of last year’s musical, West Side Story. Julia is a member of the club volleyball team and the SPIRE group Navigators. She would like to thank her family, the cast, and the production team.

Preston Semenuk (Salesman, River City Townsperson) is a third-degree from Richardson, TX, who is delighted to be involved in his second Bluebards production. He made his Bluebards debut in West Side Story (Baby John). Previous theatre roles include Marty in Back to the Future: The Musical, Jay in Lost in Yonkers, and Oliver Twist in Oliver! Preston is a member of the Instructor Pilot Upgrade program and the USAFA Marathon Team. He is also working on a service project to create a community-oriented, financially sustainable future for Venetucci Farm in Fountain. Preston would like to thank his mom, dad, squadron (“Hardcore”), and the cast.

Dan Smith (Salesman, River City Townsperson) is a second-class cadet from Atkinson, NH. This is Dan’s second Bluebards production and his first musical at USAFA, previously cast in Richard III (Rivers). In middle school, Dan participated in two theatrical productions, The Trial of the Big Bad Wolf (Old King Cole) and Annie Jr (Sandy). Dan would like to thank the directors for finding a role for him in this production, as well as thank Dr. Napolitano for continuing to cultivate Dan’s love of theater.

River City, Iowa; 1912
Act One

Scene 1, A Train Car
“Rock Island”..................................................Salesmen, Charlie Cowell

Scene 2, River City Town Square
“Iowa Stubborn”..............................................Citizens of River City
“Ya Got Trouble”..............................................Harold, Citizens of River City

Scene 3, A Street Outside the Paroo Home

Scene 4, The Parlor of the Paroo Household
“If You Don’t Mind My Saying So”.......................Marian, Mrs. Paroo
“Goodnight, My Someone”.................................Marian, Amaryllis

Scene 5, Madison Gymnasium, River City High School
“Seventy-Six Trombones”.................................Harold, Citizens of River City
“Ice Cream/Sincere”.........................................Olin, Oliver, Ewart, and Jacey

Scene 6, Near the Madison Public Library
“The Sadder But Wiser Girl”...............................Harold, Marcellus
“Pick-a-Little, Talk-a-Little”...Eulalie, Ethel, Alma, Maud, Mrs. S.
“Goodnight, Ladies”.........................................Olin, Oliver, Ewart, and Jacey

Scene 7, Madison Public Library
“Marian the Librarian”........................................Harold

Scene 8 and 9, Outside Mayor Shinn’s House

Scene 10, The Porch of the Paroo Home
“My White Knight”..........................................Marian

Scene 11, River City Town Square
“The Wells Fargo Wagon”................................Citizens of River City

Act Two

Scene 1, Madison Gymnasium, River City High School
“It’s You”......................................................Olin, Oliver, Ewart, and Jacey
“Shipoopi”.....................................................Marcellus, Ethel, Citizens of River City
“Pick-a-Little, Talk-a-Little” (reprise)....................Eulalie, Ladies

Scene 2, Near the Paroo Home
“Lida Rose”....................................................Olin, Oliver, Ewart, and Jacey
“Will I Ever Tell You?”......................................Marian

Scene 3, The Porch of the Paroo Home
“Gary, Indiana”..............................................Winthrop, Mrs. Paroo, Marian
“Lida Rose” (reprise).........................................Olin, Oliver, Ewart, and Jacey

Scene 4, The Park
“Till There Was You”.......................................Marian, Harold
“Goodnight/Seventy-Six Trombones”......................Marian, Harold

Scene 5, The Ice-Cream Sociable

Scene 6, Outside the Paroo Home
“Till There Was You” (reprise)...............................Harold

Scene 7, Madison Gymnasium, River City High School
Meredith Willson’s “The Music Man”

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Who’s Who in the Cast

Lauren Sprock (River City Teen) is a freshman from Somerset, PA, looking forward to dancing her way into The Music Man. Throughout high school, she was an active member in the music and drama departments, playing several instruments and dancing in several musicals, such as West Side Story and Pippin. Outside of Bluebards, she is on the Rifle Team, sings with the Gospel Choir, and plays violin in the Cadet Orchestra.

Charlie Stevens (Jacey Squires) has never been in a musical, though he has attended every Bluebards production since his doolie year. His close friend and future roommate Todd Campo was heavily involved in these productions, and, upon learning that Todd would again be part of the spring musical, Charlie decided to audition and become part of the team! Charlie has lots of experience with singing; he is an active member of “In the Stairwell” and “Scola,” a church men and women’s advanced acapella group. He also enjoys playing guitar and writing music.

Jessica Thomas (River City Teen) is a sophomore from Vicenza, Italy (military brat), who is delighted to be making her Bluebards debut in The Music Man. She has experience dancing and singing from years of choir and cheerleading. Aside from Bluebards, Jess is on the Model United Nations team at USAFA. She also enjoys watching movies, singing, and hanging out with friends. Jess would like to thank her family, teammates, and the entire cast, especially all the other River City Teens.

Curi von Schlag (River City Teen) is a freshman from Highland, MD. She is thrilled to be joining Bluebards in this year’s musical. Despite few theatre roles in recent years, she spent much of her childhood participating in theatre. In addition to Bluebards, she is a member of the USAFA Diving Team and loves competing on the Academy’s behalf. In her free time, she loves to play music and sing with other cadets, go dancing, and spend time with her friends.

Jelani Washington (Olin Britt) is a sophomore from Algonquin, IL, who is proud to be appearing in his third Bluebards production. His previous Bluebards roles were in West Side Story (Pepe) and Richard III (Ratcliff). In addition to Bluebards, Jelani is a member of USAFA’s Cadet Chorale. He also enjoys watching television and doing light calisthenics. Jelani would like to thank his family and the entire cast.

Jonathan Wikey (River City Teen) is very excited to be making his Bluebards debut in The Music Man. Although he has only acted in one show, The Rocky Horror Show his senior year of high school, and did so entirely off of a whim, he thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Getting to know the cast and crew is Jonathan’s favorite part of the process. Jonathan is a Men’s Club Volleyball player and is a proud member of Stalag 17. Jonathan would like to thank the dedicated cast, everyone who encouraged him to try out, and especially his friends back home who motivated him to leave his comfort zone and put himself out there.

There will be one 15-minute intermission between Acts One and Two.