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Dublin High School Drama Presents:

# WATCH THE MATCHMAKER

Written by Thornton Wilder • Directed by Bryant Hoek



April 11-13  
at 7 pm

April 14 at 2 pm



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# The Matchmaker

By Thornton Wilder

## Casts:

### Thursday and Saturday/Friday and Sunday

Horace Vandergelder.....Ryan McRee/Kristen Koury  
Dolly Levi.....Sharanya Stanely/Nicole Hamre  
Irene Molloy.....Emily Morehead/Jennifer Strasser  
Cornelius Hackl.....Thomas Mugglestone  
Barnaby Tucker.....Sean Haggerty/Andrew Turner  
Minnie Fay.....Makenna Elias/Alyssa Ponce  
Malachi Stack.....Jasmine Virk/Roberta Tyler  
Flora Van Huysen.....Jessica Neideffer/Reed Sights  
Ermengarde.....Savannah Quintero/Olivia Rubinelli  
Ambrose Kemper.....Shawn Rickenbacker/Arash Hodjat  
Gertrude/Cook.....Kendra Wilcox/Olivia Keyes  
Joe/Gypsy Musician.....Rabi Khan/Ronan Bradley  
Rudolph.....Reggie Elzey/Hannah Keihl  
Augusta.....Nicole Dayton/Keiva Bradley  
Cabman.....Austin Green

*There will be one fifteen minute intermission*



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# Settings

*Time: 1880's*

## **Act 1**

Vandergelder's house in Yonkers, New York

## **Act 2**

Mrs. Molloy's hat shop, New York

## **Act 3**

The Harmonia Gardens Restaurant, New York

## **Act 4**

Miss Van Huysen's house, New York

# Production Crew

**Director:** Bryant Hoex

**Stage Manager:** Melany Scannell

**Assistant Stage Manager:** Reggie Elzey

**Costume Mistress:** Jessica Neideffer

**Light & Set Design:** Ryan McRee, Jennifer Strasser, Alex Cappa, Jessica Neideffer

**Program Artwork:** Sharanya Stanely

**Program Design:** Emily Morehead



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## WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

**Keiva Bradley** (*Augusta*): is zealous to be in her third show at DHS. She would like to thank her director and castmates for making this another awesome experience.

**Ronan Bradley** (*Joe/Gypsy*): is excited to perform in his second play at DHS. He would like to thank his cast mates, his director, and the people at the café. They made good crepes. People like crepes.

**Nicole Dayton** (*Augusta*): is very excited to be in her 2nd show at DHS. She would like to thank her family, cast, and director for making this such an incredible experience. She hopes you enjoy the show!

**Makenna Elias** (*Minnie Fay*): is very excited to be in her 5th play here at DHS as a sophomore. She loves theatre and hopes to continue in the future. She would like to thank her friends and family for supporting her the whole way. She hopes you enjoy the show!

**Reggie Elzey** (*Rudolph*): is in his second and final production at DHS. He would like to thank his mother for always supporting him.

**Austin Green** (*Cabman*): is excited to be in his first DHS production. He loves to act and is ready to be part of the DHS team. His favorite pastime is music.

**Sean Haggerty** (*Barnaby*): how many words do I get to write this thing? Only 35? That's crazy! Wait...how many am I at now? Well I better make the most of it! My name is Sean Hag-

**Nicole Hamre** (*Dolly*): is in her last show at DHS, after being a part of this department for four years. This theatre has housed all of her greatest memories. Thank you to all the people who put them there.

**Arash Hodjat** (*Ambrose*): is taking part in his third show at DHS. He has had a lot of fun putting on this show and can't wait for all the shows to come. See you at the next play!

**Hannah Keihl** (*Rudolph*): is utterly enthusiastic about being French. She loves French fries, French accents, and is glad to be using one. Lots of love to her family! Vine? Okay.

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## Crew Members

Nicole Schaarschmidt

Hayley Lederer

Nicole Stafano

**Olivia Keyes** (*Gertrude/Cook*): is so thrilled to perform in her first play at Dublin High. She fell in love with acting in 6th grade and has performed ever since. She would like to dedicate her performance to her Aunt Pati.

**Rabi Khan** (*Joe/Gypsy*): is happy to be in his 3rd play at DHS. He has not only acted but helped in crew as well. He'd like to thank his parents and friends for supporting him in his theatre career. The Gang is the best crew ever "Caw Caw".

**Kristen Koury** (*Vandergelder*): is happy/sad to be in her 6th and final DHS production. She'd like to thank her castmates, her friends, her family and Mr. Hoex for making her experience truly unforgettable. It's been real, Dublin High.

**Ryan McRee** (*Vandergelder*): can't believe he's in his 12th and final production at DHS. Favorite roles include Grandpa Vanderhof in YCTIWY and Hal Carter in Picnic. He's excited to take his final bow with this cast and see the amazing things they do in the future.

**Emily Morehead** (*Mrs. Molloy*): thanks Mr. Hoex for casting her in her first show freshman year, her fellow Seniors who've been with her since the beginning and her wonderful family for supporting her. She knows her last show will be amazing!

**Thomas Mugglestone** (*Cornelius*): is glad to be in his 3rd (and sadly, potentially final) play at DHS. He's had a great time rehearsing and would like to thank the entire Drama Department for making it so. We done? Cool beans.

**Jessica Neideffer** (*Miss Van Huysen*): has had a lovely time in her seventh show at DHS! She would like to thank Rhiannon Kay for being an endless inspiration! Enjoy the show!

**Alyssa Ponce** (*Minnie Fay*): would like to thank her family for all their support, the lovely cast for making this a truly wonderful experience, and her big brother for being her very first inspiration to act. Enjoy!

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**Savannah Quintero** (*Ermengarde*): would like to say that she is very excited to be in the show, loves everyone involved, and doesn't cry nearly as much as her character does.

**Shawn Rickenbacker** (*Ambrose*): is excited for his first play at Dublin High School. He enjoys theatre, and he cannot wait to be in more plays in the future.

**Olivia Rubinelli** (*Ermengarde*): is in her 3rd production at DHS. Her freshman year has been an incredible experience. She'd like to dedicate her performance to her beautiful and very inspirational grandmother, who she will always hold inside her heart.

**Reed Sights** (*Miss Van Huysen*): is excited to be in her fourth show at DHS. She wants to thank her family and friends for supporting her. Although life can be an illusion she invites you to enjoy the ride.

**Sharanya Stanely** (*Dolly*): feels bittersweet about being in her fourth and final DHS production. She would like to thank both amazing casts, her wonderful family, ever supportive friends, and beautiful double cast. She hopes you enjoy the show.

**Jennifer Strasser** (*Mrs. Molloy*): wishes plenty of "pudding" for all of you! She hopes you enjoy the show (:

**Andrew Turner** (*Barnaby*): has been apart of 3 shows at Dublin High. This is from his favorite movie: "Life moves pretty fast, if you don't stop and look around once and a while you could miss it."

**Roberta Tyler** (*Malachi*): is a licensed time traveler, thank you very much...Well, she's really an actor but this is her lunch hour.

**Jasmine Virk** (*Malachi*): is thankful to the DHS drama department for the unforgettable experiences she has had over the years. She hopes that as you go about life, you will find the right amount of adventure.

**Kendra Wilcox** (*Gertrude/Cook*): is ecstatic to be in her fourth show at Dublin High. She wants to thank her amazing cast for making it such a great experience. She wishes 15 broken legs every night!

## Director's Note

While most people associate *The Matchmaker* with the feel-good musical (*Hello, Dolly!*) it inspired, Thornton Wilder's script satirically skewers narrow-minded views of gender, wealth, and art. ("You artists produce something that no one needs at any time," says the miserly, misogynistic Vandergelder.) While he sees marriage as "a bribe to make a housekeeper feel like she's a householder," Dolly Levi sees it as an opportunity to help circulate his wealth among the working class...she'd definitely be popular with the "99%" today! Meanwhile, the independent Irene Molloy successfully runs her own business, but —like Cornelius Hackl, slaving in Vandergelder's shop for pennies a day—feels she deserves a day of adventure after all her hard work. Their chance meeting forms the basis of this classic farce.

Speaking of hard work, the students you'll see onstage (and backstage) today have put in a LOT of time afterschool, on weekends, and over break to bring you this show. Kudos to senior Ryan McRee and his crew for all their efforts behind the scenes...and now we hope you'll sit back, laugh, and enjoy the results of OUR adventure!

## Stage Manager's Note

I have never been so proud of something in my entire life. Being a stage manager gives you such a new perspective on the rehearsal process and honestly, it's been the most exhilarating experience. Seeing the actors go from scrambling to memorize their lines to working together on stage to create this beautiful piece of art has been incredibly rewarding. Break a leg everyone, I know you'll make mama proud!

Shout out to all the seniors in their very last show at Dublin High School. You all have done a phenomenal job, and I feel so lucky to have been able to be a part of this experience with you. Have fun on stage guys, you deserve it.. <3