

Kooky, Spooky, All Together Ooky - *The Addams Family Musical* coming to the Maryland Theatre this Spring.

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"They're creepy and they're kooky, mysterious and spooky, they're altogether ooky!" The Broadway musical sensation *The Addams Family Musical* will be presented by the Barbara Ingram School for the Arts this April 13, 14, 20, and 21 at the Maryland Theatre in Hagerstown, Md.

From the creators of the *Jersey Boys'* **Marshall Brickman** and **Rick Elice and** Drama Desk Award-winning composer/lyricist **Andrew Lippa**, the frightfully delightful world of Gomez, Morticia, Uncle Fester, Grandma, Wednesday, Pugsley and Lurch come to spectacular life in this all new story, based on the characters created by cartoonist Charles Addams. The magnificently morbid family is put to the test when outsiders come to dinner, hurling them into a night that will change their lives forever.

The all-school musical will feature **Manuel Mejias** and **Mayzi Shank** as the Addams Patriarch and Matriarch. Mejias was featured as Plankton in last year's Spongebob the Musical with Shank recently portraying Claire in the world premier of BARE-A Pop Opera School Edition. Rounding out the Addams household will be **Eliza Gregory** as Wednesday and **Fae Ward** as Pugsley. Comedic favorite **Natalie Stoner** will be Grandma with **Caleb Bowers** as Fester and **Joshua Laguerre** as Lurch. Wednesday's love interest Lucas and his family will be played by **Hayden Souders**, **Nathan Lushbaugh** and **Layla Bragunier**. Sounders and Lushbaugh shared the title role of Spongebob in the 2023 production of Spongebob The Musical with Bragunier making her principal character debut.

Student workshop shows will be held on April 16, 17, and 18. These modified performances offer groups of students a rare opportunity to see how productions such as *The Addams Family Musical* are designed, rehearsed and produced. Tickets for these shows are \$5.00 per student. If you are a teacher and interested in sponsoring and booking a group from your school please contact Viki Gipe at gipevik@wcps.k12.md.us.

Tickets for The Addams Family Musical are on sale now and available at https://www.mdtheatre.org/bisfa