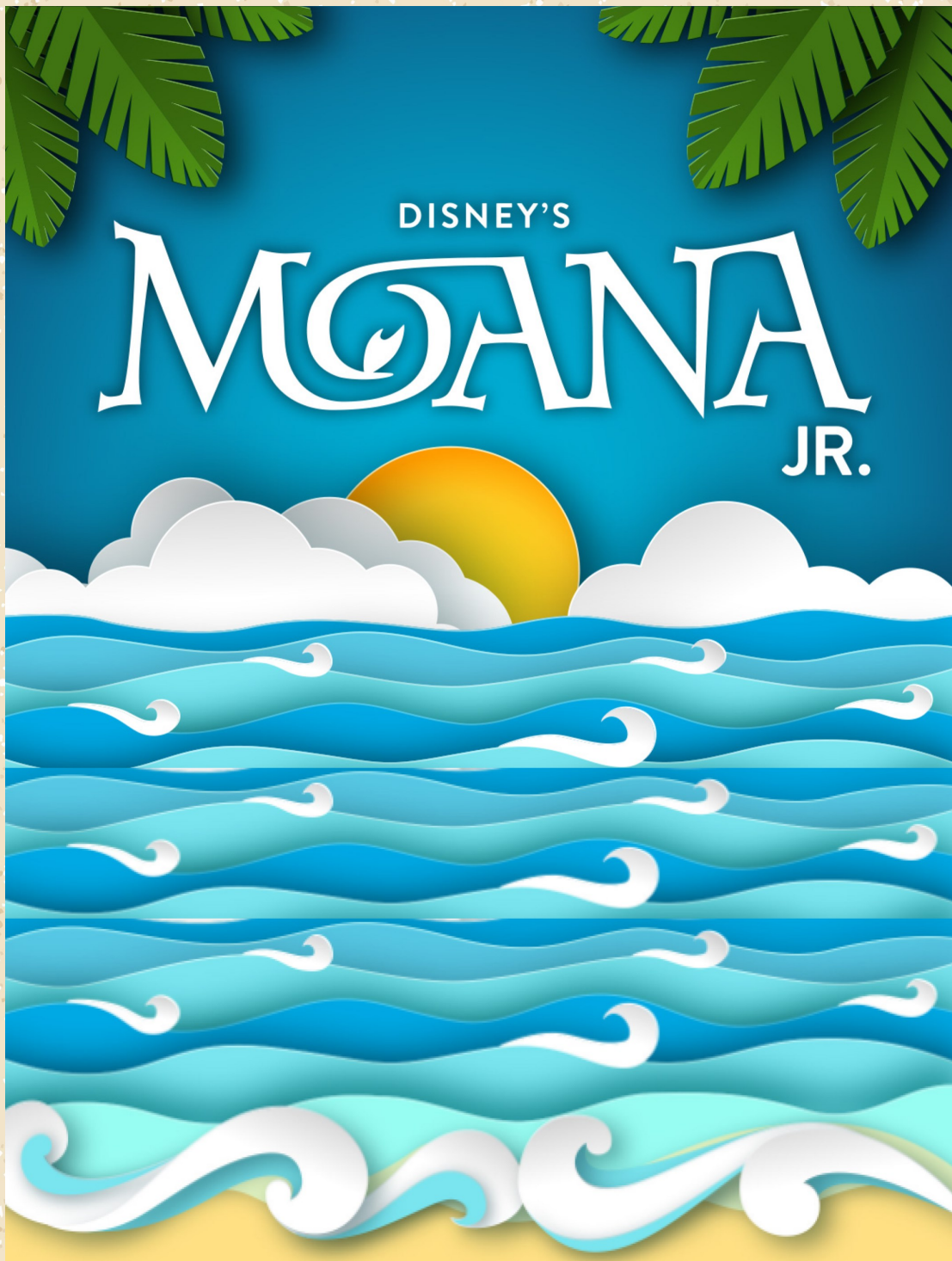


Maitland Middle School Musical Theatre Presents



April 21-22, 2023

Askí Melik Brown, Principal

Kimberly Pavlónnis & Vaughnsha Thompson, Asst. Principals

Cynthia Johnson, Director

Synopsis

By Musical Theater Students Iyana Paul, Neasia Watkins and Shiloh Senes

In the beginning, the Chief Ancestor recall a time when only the ocean existed. A goddess named Te Fiti used her mystical heart to create islands and life. But because the great demigod Maui stole the heart of Te Fiti a thousand years ago, the island is becoming sick. The ocean entrusted the heart of Te Fiti to a young girl named Moana. She must set out on a journey to return the heart of Te Fiti and restore peace to her island.

Moana is a determined girl living in Motunui. She longs to be with the Ocean but her parent, the village leader, Chief Tui strictly bans her from going past the reef. Her friends, Pua, a worried pig and Hei Hei, a silly chicken, are troubled about the bad coconuts. Gramma Tala warns the village about the legend of Te Ka destroying islands searching for the heart. Sina comforts her daughter and tells her that she is the future of Motunui. Sadly, Gramma Tala falls weak with no time left, but she urges Moana to embark on a mission to save her island. Moana bravely sets sail past the reef!

Moana finds the egotistical Maui on the island where he has been stuck for a thousand years. His fans, the Maui Ensemble, sing his praises. A bargain is struck: Maui will teach Moana to wayfind and restore the heart of Te Fiti, if Moana agrees to aid him getting back his magical fishhook. Maui tells Moana to get her game face on and to be prepared for anything. They face the ferocious Gate Monster and an army of Monster Ensemble. Undaunted, Maui bravely scares them off.

The duo enters Tamatoa's lair to retrieve the long-lost hook of Maui. The hook is nestled among the greedy Tamatoa's many Shiny treasures. Moana distracts the ferocious crab so Maui can steal his hook. They almost finish the mission, but come into an unexpected twist when Maui attempts to shapeshift only to find his hook no longer works. Moana saves him by creating a clever diversion. Whew! The shiny con works and Moana and Maui are able to escape.

Maui feels worthless because he let a mortal save him from danger. Moana teaches him a valuable lesson by about courage. Maui gratefully teaches Moana how to sail and he ends up discovering that he can still shapeshift!

As they approach Te Ka, dangerous seas crack Maui's hook. Now one of the ancestors, Gramma Tala renews Moana's faith. With her confidence restored, Moana finally faces Te Ka. Moana places the heart back into Te Ka who is transformed back into the goddess Te Fiti.

Moana's people were voyagers! Just how far will Moana go to restore the island? Our musical will tell the ancient legend!

Characters

ROLES

Moana.....	Sophia Pitts
Maui.....	Xavier Colon
Chief Tui.....	Casper McCann
Sina.....	Chloe White
Gramma Tala.....	Elli Stein
Pua & Hei Hei.....	Lily Ralda, Juliet Lent
Te Ka/Te Fiti.....	Reese Russell
Gate Monster.....	Sam Bosco
Tamatoa.....	Airlie Kittinger
Right & Left Claws.....	Ellie Schweitzer, Ell Mackenzie
Fishers 1 & 2.....	Jace Lucas, Brodie Bishop
Featured Villagers.....	Alec Shellenberger, Kristel Tijerino, Sydney Docouto
Featured Dancer.....	Nicole Crittenden



UNDERSTUDIES

Aaliyah Smiley, Alec Shellenberger,
Avery Gerlin, Ellie Schweitzer,
Harmony Huynh, Iyana Paul, Jace Lucas,
Leyla Valdes, Kellen Bussey

OCEAN ENSEMBLE

Aaliyah Smiley
Addison Ladino
Arianna Lahr
Emily Marcano Montilla
Emily Martins
Jade O'Toole
Laisa Williams
Leann Alshareef
London Henry
Makayla Depagnier
Nicole Crittenden

CHIEF ANCESTORS

Avery Gerlin
Chloe Jefferson
Estelle Grady
Harmony Huynh
Iyana Paul
Leyla Valdes
Kellen Bussey



MAUI ENSEMBLE

Alana McGraw
Emma Garcia-Arteaga
Fiona Johnson
Kristel Tijerino
London Brown
Madison Murray
Rosie Soler
Sydney Docouto
Tayla Hodges
Vennice Bowes
Yulianna Garcia-Arteaga



TECH

Madison Bokash, Lead Tech

Ashley Davis

Bryanna Phelps

Chloe Phelps

Emma Hawkins

Evelyn Fellenz-Clarke

Fin Brown

Jack Brown

Jon Carrasquillo Melendez

Kinsey Sokowski

Morgan Harris

Reese Russell

Ronin Speer

Simone Cerchiara

MONSTER & SHINY ENSEMBLES

Alec Shellenberger

Brooklyn Bunch

Clayton Stevens

Ethan Orseno

Fin Brown

Haleigh Occhino

Jace Lucas

Jeanine Northcote

Maddie Hathaway

Rosanna Duverge

Sam Bosco

Shiloh Senes

VILLAGERS

*Select members of other
ensembles plus:*

Carson Orndorff

Daniel McPhaul

Frances Sheahan

Lakiye Wright

Ian Adamich

Janessa Foon

Neasia Watkins

Samantha Acosta

Thank You!



PRODUCTION TEAM

Creative Director—Cynthia Johnson

Custom Costumes—Deb Hoffman—Sew Awesome

Audio Editing—Mike Tarbert

Video—Diacom Productions LLC

Set Painting—Katie Fisher

Sets & Props—Clark Ziegler, Allen Montijo

The Cast, Crew and Parents of Musical Theatre



Presented by special arrangement with
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Sung in real Pacific Island languages—
Samoan, Tokelauan, Tuvaluan