HARDING ACADEMY THEATRE

presents



Disney THE LITTLE MERMAID

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Harding Academy Theatre presents

THE LITTLE MERMAID

Production of

Music by Alan Menken

Lyrics by
Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater
Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story
and the Disney film produced by
Howard Ashman & John Musker
and written & directed by John Musker and Ron Clements
Book by Doug Wright
Originally Produced by Disney Theatrical Group

Director of Shows & Vocals | Andréa Campbell
Theatrical Director | Erin Morgan
Costume & Prop Director | Elizabeth Patterson
Musical Director | Colby Canterbury
Tech Crew & Set Director | Madilyn Canterbury
Prop Coordinators | Elizabeth Patterson, Madilyn Canterbury,
Middle School Production Classes
Lighting & Sound Design | Dr. Scott Frizzell
Choreographed by | Cameron Donlin
Scene Construction | Dr. Jeff Frizzell, Dr. Bubba Edwards,
Mr. Gary Lemmons, Mr. Paul Hayes

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Program

ACT ONE

Overture ..... Orchestra

THE WATER'S SURFACE

The World Above ..... Ariel

Fathoms Below ..... Pilot, Sailors, Prince Eric, Grimsby

KING TRITON'S COURT

Daughters of Triton ..... Mersisters

If Only (Triton's Lament) ..... King Triton

URSULA'S LAIR

Daddy's Little Angel ..... Ursula, Flotsam, Jetsam

ARIEL'S GROTTO

Part of Your World ..... Ariel

The Storm ..... Sailors

PRINCE ERIC'S SHIP/SEA BELOW/BEACH

Part of Your World (Reprise) ..... Ariel

MERSISTERS' "GIRL CAVE"

She's In Love ..... Mersisters, Flounder

THE BEACH

Her Voice ..... Prince Eric

OPEN WATER

Under The Sea ..... Sebastian, Sea Creatures

After Under the Sea ..... Sebastian, Sea Creatures

ARIEL'S GROTTO

If Only (Ariel's Lament) ..... Ariel

Sweet Child ..... Flotsam, Jetsam

URSULA'S LAIR

Poor Unfortunate Soul ..... Ursula

Act One Finale ..... Ursula, Ariel

THERE WILL BE ONE 15-MINUTE INTERMISSION

ACT TWO

Entr'acte ..... Orchestra

THE BEACH

Positoovity ..... Scuttle, Gulls

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KING TRITON'S COURT

THE PALACE, ARIEL'S CHAMBERS

Beyond My Wildest Dreams ..... Ariel, Maids, Grimsby

THE PALACE KITCHEN

Les Poissons ..... Chef Louis

THE PALACE BANQUET HALL

Les Poissons (Reprise) ..... Chef Louis, Chefs

THE PALACE BALLROOM

One Step Closer ..... Prince Eric

URSULA'S LAIR

Daddy's Little Angel (Reprise) ..... Ursula, Flotsam, Jetsam

THE BAY

Kiss The Girl ..... Sebastian, Animals

KING TRITON'S COURT

ARIEL'S CHAMBERS/THE SHIP/KING TRITON'S COURT

If Only (Quartet) ..... Ariel, Eric, Sebastian, Triton

THE PALACE BALLROOM

The Contest ..... Grimsby, Princesses

Ariel Steps Forward ..... Ursula

URSULA'S LAIR

Poor Unfortunate Soul (Reprise) ..... Ursula

Ariel's Transformation ..... Mersisters

THE BEACH

Finale Ultimo ..... Triton, Ariel, Ensemble, Eric

Bows ..... Orchestra

From the Director



Thank you all for being here for Harding Academy's production of Disney's The Little Mermaid! We are so thankful for your support. It has been a privilege and an honor to serve as the Director of Shows this year.

This show process has been a season of new adventures, as we have several young performers who are stepping up into larger roles. In the same way, our seniors have stepped into bigger roles as leaders of this cast. I could not be more proud of this cast and for their willingness to work hard, lead well, and serve each other in this work. I believe the themes of exploration, discovery, and pursuit of purpose that are woven into this show have been themes of this cast's journey over the last three months.

I would like to give a special thanks to our Theatre Production Team- Erin Morgan, Maddie Canterbury, Elizabeth Patterson, Colby Canterbury, Cameron Donlin and Eddy Efaw. It really does take a village, and I'm deeply grateful for mine.

Thank you to our administrative team for believing in the performing arts and making space for our students to steward their gifts well. We appreciate you more than you know.

Additionally, I want to thank my family and friends. Mom & Dad, thank you for pushing me to discover who I am in Christ from an early age and for your unwavering support as I try to walk in obedience and excellence each day. I'm living in your answered prayers. Thank you to my siblings and friends who have encouraged me in big ways and small. You guys have always had my back, and I'm thankful. To my best friend and sister Gab, thank you for praying and always showing up whenever I've needed you from Murray State to now. It's an honor to navigate all of life's adventures with you, sister.

I would like to dedicate this production to my nieces and nephews. My prayer for you all is that you never lose your curiosity and wonder for the world our great, big God has created. Remember that you are fearfully and wonderfully made by a good Father who has purpose for your lives. Walk confidently in who and whose you are always. I can't wait to watch your stories unfold.

My deep hope is that you will know that you are loved by the Father, kept by his Son, and called to use your gifts and talents to glorify his name.

This is why this cast and crew has come together - to offer our gifts and talents back to the Giver of every good and perfect thing as well as edify his people.

May it be so.

Andréa Campbell ('16)
Director of Vocal Performance & Shows

HARDING ACADEMY
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The Endowment for Excellence in the Fine Arts provides a permanent source of funding to expand and enhance all fine arts programs at Harding Academy. We are passionate about our students growing closer to their Creator by exploring their creativity.

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Band Concert & Pottery Sale | December 12
Chorus Performance at Deck The Diamond | December 18
Celebration of Learning | February 4
Madagascar KIDS | February 19-20
Jazz Lites | February 20
All Bands Festival Concert | February 27
Middle School Production | April 15-17
Art Show | April 22
Spring Chorus Concert | May 1
Spring Band Concert | May 3

Cast

Leads

Ariel | Olivia Ervin
Prince Eric | Isaac Moultrie
Sebastian | Camden Barber
Ursula | Ava Brown
Flounder | Max Smiley
Scuttle | Suzy Watson
King Triton | Ryan Palacios
Grimsby | Miles Breeden
Flotsam | Lena Snell
Jetsam | Asali Jones
Chef Louis- Claire Frizzell
Mersisters | Rhet Faris, Josie Heckendorf, Scarlett Howell, Noir'e Jones, Esther Leyshon, Julia Turner

Ensemble

Ava Bishop, Caroline Brasfield, Brindley Cook, Josiah Davis, Hope Driesenga, Claire Frizzell, Daisy Horn, Jamel Leflore, Juliet Lipe, Felicity Murray, Ava Norfleet, Sophia Ruvalcaba, Thomas Saurenman, Tim Stewart

Dance Ensemble

Caroline Brasfield, Raia Dorsey, Hope Driesenga, Daisy Horn, Heidi Purdy, Florence Stephens

Tech Crew

Frances Breeden, Hannah Davis, Eli Hamm, Nathaniel Hunt, Skylar Mays, Hattie Murphy, Lindie Roberston, Gabe Wright, Jewel Wright

Orchestra

Micah Bennett, Caden Cage, Carter Camacho, Sunny Chow, Jed Dobkins, Tad Dobkins, Phoebe Gurley, Bailee Lauderdale, Jason Nguyen, Bill Parks, William Parks, CJ Hines, Keon McKinley, Clarence Murray, Case Nowlin, Hunter Underwood, Molly Stewart

Thank you

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Dr. Jeff Frizzell
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Mrs. Hitomi Kurzinsky
Ms. Ai Lee Kurzinsky
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Mrs. Dawn Gilreath
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Mr. Trent Williamson
Mrs. Anne Nowlin

Cast



Ariel | Olivia Ervin

Olivia is a freshman and has been at Harding for 3 years. Her credits include *Matilda, Annie, Cinderella, Elf*, and *Little Mermaid Jr.* Olivia would like to dedicate her performance to Ms. Campbell, Ms. Canterbury, Ms. Morgan, and Mrs. Erika, her voice lesson teacher.



Prince Eric | Isaac Moultrie

Isaac is an 8th grader and has been at Harding for 6 years. His credits include *Aristocats, Cinderella, Aladdin, Winnie the Pooh*, and *Willy Wonka*. Isaac would like to dedicate this performance to his whole family, especially his sister Elara who got him into theater.



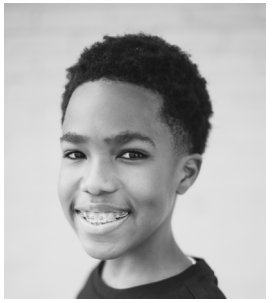
Sebastian | Camden Barber

Camden is a senior and has been at Harding for 4 years. His credits include *Cinderella, Big Fish, Hadestown, Catch Me If You Can*, and *Crazy For You*. Camden would like to dedicate this performance to his family, friends, and this outstanding cast!



Ursula | Ava Brown

Ava is a senior and has been at Harding for 12 years. Her credits include 101 Dalmatians, Alice in Wonderland, Annie, Frozen, Seussical, and Big Fish. Ava would like to dedicate this performance to her wonderful family who have watched her grow up on the stage. Ava adds, "Thank you for all the love, encouragement, and support you all have given me; I couldn't have done these 12 years of theatre without you...Love y'all!"



Flounder | Max Smiley

Max is a 6th grader and has been at Harding for 3 years. His credits include *Willy Wonka KIDS* and *Finding Nemo KIDS*. Max would like to dedicate this performance to his grandmother Jackie Smiley.



Scuttle | Suzy Watson

Suzy is a freshman and has been at Harding for one year. Her credits include *Tuck Everlasting, Wizard of Oz, James and the Giant Peach, The Invisible Man*, and *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*. Suzy would like to dedicate this performance to her brother Pedro Watson.



King Triton | Ryan Palacios

Ryan is a sophomore and has been at Harding for 13 years. His credits include *Aristocats KIDS, Frozen Jr., Seussical, Big Fish,* and *Cinderella*. Ryan would like to dedicate this performance to God as well as his dad.



Grimsby | Miles Breeden

Miles is a junior and has been at Harding for 3 years. This is Miles' first production, and we are so proud of him! Miles would like to dedicate this performance to his friends who encouraged him and gave him confidence to try something new!



Flotsam | Lena Snell

Lena is a 7th grader and has been at Harding for 7 years. Her credits include *Aristocats, Aladdin, Winnie the Pooh, Willy Wonka*, and *Cinderella*. Lena would like to dedicate her performance to her friends and family.



Jetsam | Asali Jones

Asali is a 6th grader and has been at Harding for 7 years. Her credits include *Aladdin, Winnie the Pooh, Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, and *Finding Nemo*. Asali would like to dedicate her performance to her family for always supporting her and being there for her. Asali loves you all so much!



Chef Louis | Claire Frizzell

Claire is a 7th grader and has been at Harding for 8 years. Her credits include *Winnie the Pooh, Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, Cinderella*, and *The Little Mermaid*. Claire would like to dedicate her performance to Jesus, her family and her friends.



Mersisters

L to R: Esther Leyshon, Josie Heckendorf, Rhet Faris, Julia Turner, Scarlett Howell, Noir'e Jones



Cast Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Josiah Davis, Felicity Murray, Tim Stewart, Juliet Lipe, J amel Leflore, Hope Driesenga, Daisy Horn; **Front Row L to R:** Sophia Ruvalcaba, Ava Norfleet, Thomas Saurenman, Ava Bishop, Caroline Brasfield, Claire Frizzell; **Not Pictured:** Brindley Cook



Dance Ensemble

L to R: Daisy Horn, Raia Dorsey, Florence Stephens, Heidi Purdy, Caroline Brasfield, Hope Driesenga



Tech Crew

Back Row L to R: Nathaniel Hunt, Gabe Wright, Jewel Wright, Lindie-Rhea Robertson; **Front Row L to R**: Eli Hamm, Gabrielle Hunt, Frances Breeden, Hattie Murphy, Skylar Mays; **Not Pictured:** Hannah Davis



Orchestra

Back Row L to R: Tad Dobkins, Jed Dobkins, Colby Canterbury, Keon McKinley, Clarence Murray, Micah Bennett; **Front Row L to R:** Phoebe Gurley, Molly Stewart, Jason Nguyen, CJ Hines, Bailee Lauderdale; **Not Pictured:** Bill Parks, William Parks, Sunny Chow, Carter Camacho, Caden Cage, Case Nowlin, Hunter Underwood

Conducted by Colby Canterbury

Bill Parks	Keyboard
Molly Stewart	Flute, Piccolo, Alto Flute
William Parks	Alto Saxophone
Sunny Chow	Alto Saxophone
Jason Nguyen	Clarinet, Bass Clarinet
Hunter Underwood	Trumpet
CJ Hines	Mellophone
Case Nowlin	French Horn
Phoebe Gurley	French Horn
Micah Bennett	Bass Trombone
Clarence Murray	Cello
Carter Camacho	Bass
Bailee Lauderdale	Drum Kit
Caden Cage	Percussion
Jed Dobkins	Aux Instruments
Tad Dobkins	Aux Instruments
Keon McKinley	Aux Instruments

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Ava Grace Brown

From your first audition to your final bow, watching you grow on and off the stage has been such a joy. Your creativity, passion, and the heart you pour into every role make us so proud. Keep shining your light, following your dreams, and sharing the gifts God has given you. We can't wait to see where your next act takes you!

We Love You! Mom, Dad, Eli, Aiden & Jude



CAMDEN, WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU! WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT YOUR GIFTS AND TALENTS COME FROM GOD AND THAT YOU WILL SEEK HIM IN ALL THAT YOU DO. LOVE, MOM AND DAD



Olivia,

We are so proud of you! You always show up and give your best to everything that comes your way. We love seeing you use the gifts you have been given. You have always been our princess and have been preparing your whole life for this role. Keep being authentically you and keep shining bright!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Austin, and Charlie



Florence, watching you perform is so GNARLY! From your first DEBUT, we knew you were destined to make your own BEAUTIFUL CHAOS wherever you go. Keep doing things (YOUR) WAY! TONIGHT I MIGHT not be able to contain my pride! PINKY UP! All our love!



Asali Jones
"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee." Isaiah 60:1

Asali, our shining star.
Keep trusting your gifts & never dim your light. You were created with purpose, gifted with grace, and called to shine! We love you endlessly.
Mom, Dad, Khalil, & Nsingha.



TO MY STAR JAMEL,
AS THE CURTAIN CLOSES ON YOUR FINAL SHOW, MY HEART IS OVERFLOWING WITH PRIDE. EVERY REHEARSAL, PERFORMANCE, AND CHALLENGE YOU'VE OVERCOME HAS LED TO THIS MOMENT. YOU HAVE TAUGHT US ALL WHAT PERSEVERANCE, COURAGE, AND DETERMINATION TRULY LOOK LIKE. THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR GIFTS WITH THE WORLD AND FOR SHOWING US THAT NOTHING CAN STAND IN THE WAY OF YOUR DREAMS.



YOUR LIGHT SHINES FAR BEYOND THE STAGE, AND I KNOW YOUR FUTURE WILL BE JUST AS BRIGHT AS EVERY SPOTLIGHT YOU'VE STOOD BENEATH. CONGRATULATIONS ON A THEATRICAL JOURNEY. WHILE THIS CHAPTER ENDS, YOUR STORY IS BEGINNING. I CANNOT WAIT TO SEE WHERE YOUR NEXT ACT TAKES YOU.
WITH ALL MY LOVE,
MOM & MARI

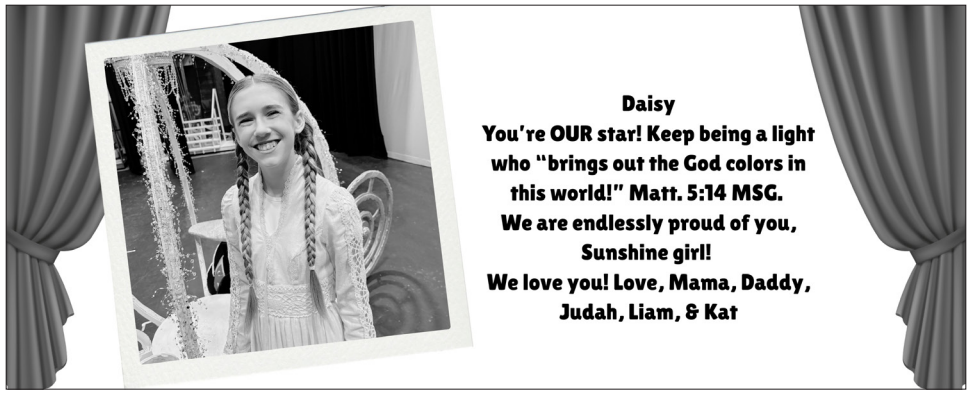


To My Beautiful Star Noir'e,
watching you blossom into a beautiful, talented young lady is my greatest joy. Keep dreaming big, shining brightly, and embracing the extraordinary girl God created you to be.
The world is your stage!
Love always, Mommy



Congratulations Asali! You are a beautiful bright star that shines in everything you do. We love you and are so proud of you!

Love,
Grandma, Aunt Darcel, Aunt Jonique & Cousin Nya

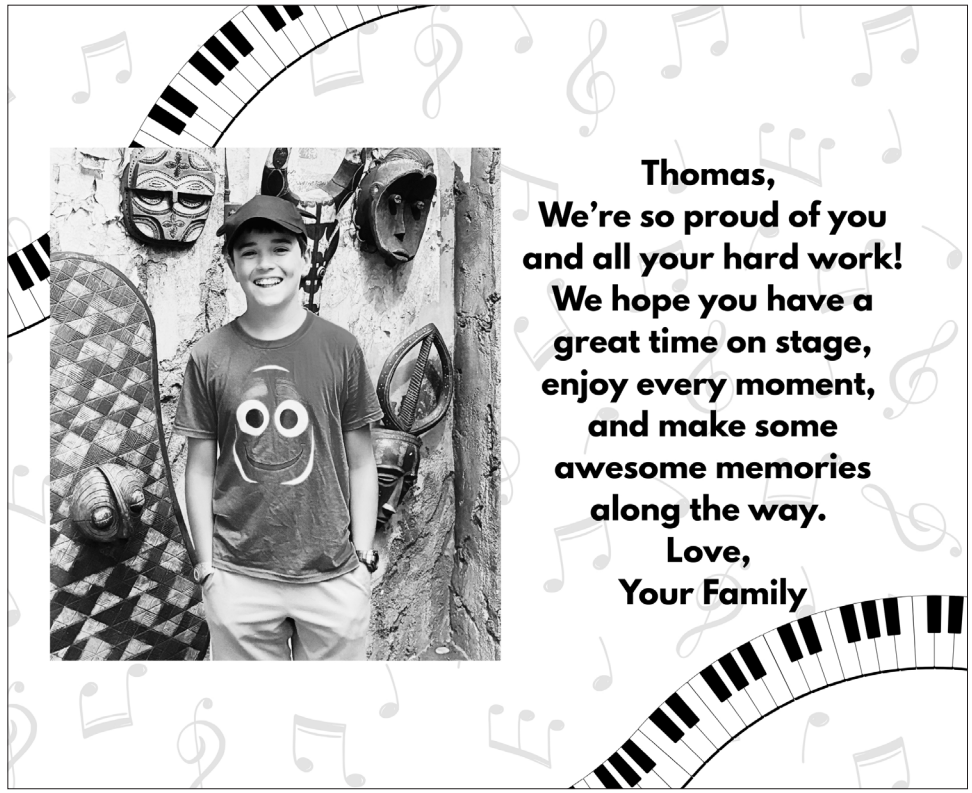


Daisy
You're OUR star! Keep being a light who "brings out the God colors in this world!" Matt. 5:14 MSG.
We are endlessly proud of you, Sunshine girl!
We love you! Love, Mama, Daddy, Judah, Liam, & Kat

Way to go Claire!

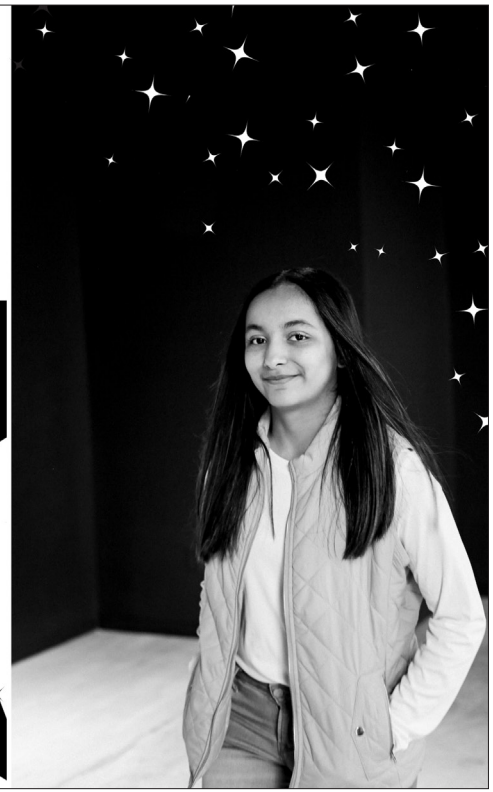
We're so proud of you!
Love, Mom, Dad, Juliet, Lola, and Lucy





Thomas,
We're so proud of you and all your hard work! We hope you have a great time on stage, enjoy every moment, and make some awesome memories along the way.
Love,
Your Family

Sophia,
we are so proud of you!
We will always love your
courageous and fun spirit!
May the lord continue to
bless and keep you!



Lena,
To our favorite
"Flotsam" Break a leg!
We are so proud of your
hard work and love
watching you shine on
stage, Lena! Love,
Dad, Mom, Ruby,
and Hazel





You've loved this show since you were little and filled our home with its songs and dances. Now, watching you shine on stage is more magical than any treasure trove!

We are incredibly proud of your hard work, talent, and beautiful spirit.

We love you more than all the dinglehoppers in the ocean.

Flip your fins and have a blast!
XOXO, Mama, Daddy and Tyler

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Gimmama, Grandpa, Pops and JuJu



Many thanks to our Fine Arts faculty, staff, and volunteers. We are blessed with the best professionals to lead and guide our students. Congratulations to a wonderful cast and crew of The Little Mermaid!
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Kristen & Trent Williamson

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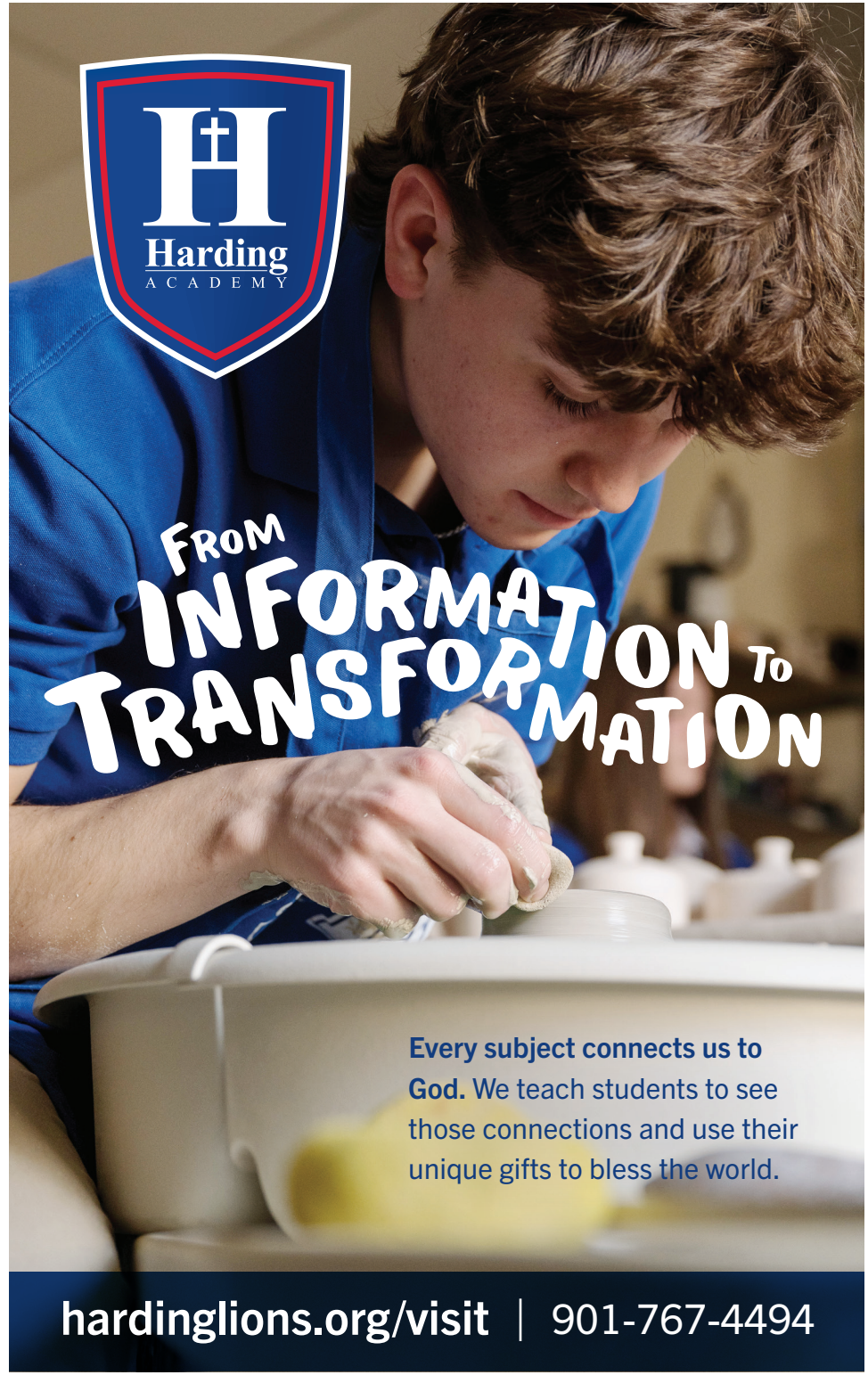
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Isaac,
We are so proud of you getting to be Prince Eric! You've worked incredibly hard, and we know you will do your best!
We love you!
Mom, Dad, Elara & Alli

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