

Weaver Performing Arts
Production of



Music and Lyrics by

Lin-Manuel Miranda, Opetiaia Foa'i & Mark
Mancina

Book Adapted by

Susan Soon He Stanton

Music and Orchestrations Adapted and Arranged by

Ian Weinberger

Based on the 2016 Disney film *Moana*

Disney's Moana JR.

- Is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
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SCENES

Act 1

Scene 1 Prologue:	In the Beginning...
Scene 2:	The Shore/The Village
Scene 3:	The Village
Scene 4:	The Shore

Intermission

ACT II

Scene 5:	Maui's Island
Scene 6:	Canoe at Sea
Scene 7:	Lalotai
Scene 8:	Tamatoa's Lair
Scene 9:	Canoe at Sea
Scene 10:	Canoe at Sea, Near Te Ka
Scene 11:	Motunui

MUSICAL NUMBERS

IN THE BEGINNING.....	Chief Ancestors 1,2,3, Ancestor Ensemble
TULOU TAGALOA.....	Ocean Ensemble
WHERE YOU ARE (PART 1).....	Chief Tui, Sina, Villagers, Moana
WHERE YOU ARE (PART 2).....	Chief Tui, Villagers, Sina, Pua, Hei Hei, Moana, Gramma Tala
HOW FAR I'LL GO.....	Moana, Pua, Hei Hei, Ocean Ensemble
WE KNOW THE WAY	Chief Ancestors 1, 2, and 3, Ancestor Ensemble
WE KNOW THE WAY (PLAYOFF).....	Chief Ancestors
WHERE YOU ARE (PART 3).....	Gramma Tala
HOW FAR I'LL GO (REPRISE).....	Moana, Chief Ancestors, Ocean Ensemble Gramma Tala
YOU'RE WELCOME.....	Maui, Maui Ensemble
WARRIOR FACE (PART 1)	Maui
WARRIOR FACE (PART 2).....	Maui, Moana
WARRIOR FACE (PART 3).....	Gate Monster, Maui, Moana, Monster Ensemble
SHINY (PART 1)	Tamatoa, Left Claw, Right Claw
SHINY (PART 2)	Tamatoa, Left Claw, Right Claw, Shiny Ensemble
SHINY (PLAYOFF)	Tamatoa, Left Claw, Right Claw
WARRIOR FACE (REPRISE)/LOGO TE PATE.....	Moana, Maui, Ocean Ensemble
SONG OF THE ANCESTORS.....	Chief Ancestors, Gramma Tala, Moana, Ancestor Ensemble
KNOW WHO YOU ARE.....	Ocean Ensemble, Moana
TE FITI RESTORED.....	Ocean Ensemble

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MUSICAL NUMBERS

TULOU TAGALOA (REPRISE).....Ocean Ensemble

WE KNOW THE WAY (FINALE).....Moana, Chief Tui, Sina, Pua,
Hei Hei, Entire Company

Please enjoy this show presented by our students. In addition to the acting and dancing you will see, all vocals in all the songs are performed live by cast members.

PRINCIPAL CHARACTERS

Moana.....Kashua Her
Moana co-lead.....Mariah Daniel
Maui.....TJ Whitfield
Maui co-lead.....Zachariah Tristan
Chief Ancestor 1.....Haydin Gastelum
Chief Ancestor 2.....Jordanne Hunt
Chief Ancestor 3.....Jaxson Spielman
Chief Tui.....Juan Pulido
Sina.....Elaina Chang
PuaLexie Moua
Hei HeiAleena Aguirre
Gramma Tala.....Claire "Charlie" Lee
TamatoaHarper Klups
Left Claw.....Ryann Williams
Right Claw.....Alyson Roberts
Te FitiCiana Reed
Te Ka..... Aubrey Yee
Baby Moana.....Faith Xiong

ENSEMBLE

OCEAN

Alexia Barajas
Mariah Daniel
Kashua Her

Ximena Barajas
Rhema Gonzalez
Mia Villarreal

Jazlene Damigo
Bailey Her
Callie Yang

ANCESTOR & MAUI ENSEMBLE

Eliana Amezquita
Amira Eltareb
Delilah Lee
Jeremiah Quiralte
Ronan Vang

Kristina Cortez
Raydin Gastelum
Olivia Lee
Kacy Riley
Arianna Velasco

Chris Easley
Gwenevere Harmelin
Bella Luna
Aurora Serena
Faith Xiong

VILLAGERS

Dancers

Naiya Ingram
Harper Klups
Aimee Purslow
Alyson Roberts
Karsyn Scoggins
Ryann Williams

Weavers

Lashawni Alexander
Daleyza Renteria
Yaretzi Vargas Cruz
Mayana Viera
Mikayla Yee
TJ Whitfield

Fishers

Jacob Borrell
Tova Harmelin
Hayden Lockhart
Azriel Richter
Zachariah Tristan
Aubrey Yee

SHINY

Lashawni Alexander
Tova Harmelin
Lexie Moua
Ciana Reed
Karsyn Scoggins
Mayana Viera

Jacob Borrell
Naiya Ingram
Juan Pulido
Daleyza Renteria
Zachariah Tristan
TJ Whitfield

Elaina Chang
Hayden Lockhart
Aimee Purslow
Azriel Richter
Yaretzi Vargas Cruz
Mikayla Yee

MONSTERS

Tova Harmelin
Aimee Purslow

Naiya Ingram
Karsyn Scoggins

Hayden Lockhart
Aubrey Yee

**“In the Beginning”, “We Know the Way”, “How Far I’ll Go
(Reprise)”, “You’re Welcome”, “Song of the Ancestors”**

Chorus’

Eliana Amezquita, Kristina Cortez, Chris Easley, Amira Eltareb,
Raydin Gastelum, Gwenevere Harmelin, Delilah Lee, Olivia Lee,
Bella Luna, Jeremiah Quiralte, Kacy Riley, Aurora Serena, Ronan
Vang, Arianna Velasco, Faith Xiong

**“Tulou Tagaloa”, “How Far I’ll Go”, “How Far I’ll Go
(Reprise)”, “Warrior Face (Reprise)/ Logo Te Pate”, Know
Who You Are”, “Te Fiti Restored”, Tulou Tagaloa
(Reprise) Chorus’**

Alexia Barajas, Ximena Barajas, Jazlene Damigo, Mariah Daniel,
Rhema Gonzalez, Bailey Her, Kashua Her, Mia Villarreal,
Callie Yang

“Where You Are Parts 1 & 2” Chorus

Lashawni Alexander, Jacob Borrell, Tova Harmelin,
Naiya Ingram, Harper Klups, Hayden Lockhart, Aimee
Purslow, Daleyza Renteria, Azriel Richter, Alyson Roberts,
Karsyn Scoggins, Zachariah Tristan, Yaretzi Vargas Cruz,
Mayana Viera, TJ Whitfield, Ryann Williams, Aubrey Yee,
Mikayla Yee

“Warrior Face (Part 3)” Chorus

Tova Harmelin, Naiya Ingram, Hayden Lockhart, Aimee Purslow,
Karsyn Scoggins, Aubrey Yee

“Shiny Part 2” Chorus

Lashawni Alexander, Jacob Borrell, Elaina Chang, Tova Harmelin,
Naiya Ingram, Hayden Lockhart, Lexie Moua, Juan Pulido, Aimee
Purslow, Ciana Reed, Daleyza Renteria, Azriel Richter, Karsyn
Scoggins, Zachariah Tristan, Yaretzi Vargas Cruz, Mayana Viera,
TJ Whitfield, Mikayla Yee

“We Know the Way (Finale)” and “Bows” Chorus’
Entire Company

Production Crew

Backstage Assistants.....Michael Baldovino, Payton Copus,
Jazlin Salcido, Giselle Xiong
Emcee.....Matthew Hauze

Production Staff

Director.....Jenae Day
Music Director/Acting Coach/Set Design/Make-up....Elizabeth Harmelin
Choreographer/Hair Sylist.....Celeste Casanova
Prop Design/Stage Manager.....Allison Hunt
Acting Coach.....Philip Buckle
Sound.....Jeff Sanders
Sound/Music Cues/Costume Design and Seamstress.....Melissa Sanders
Lighting Design.....Heather Holt
Lighting Assistant/Projections.....Andrea Hogue
Spotlight/Light cues.....Angel Xiong
Hair and Make-up Manager.....Deja Mitchell
Hair and Make-up Assistant.....Julia Soto
Hair and Make-up Assistant.....Laura Soto
Costume Manager.....Bridget Castillo
Stage Production Assistant.....Jennifer Davey
Stage Production Assistant.....Esperanza Flores
Stage Production Assistant.....Lisa Weber
Stage Production Assistant.....Amy Whitfield
Stage Production Assistant.....Sabrina Butler
Program Design.....Jose Flores
Spotlight.....Isabel Reyes
Spotlight.....Isabella Ybarra
Photographer and Assistant Seamstress.....Sherry O’Brien
Costume Fitting Assistant.....Monica Alvizo Borrell
Publicity and Promotion.....Kaytlynn Mobley
Weaver Performing Arts Boosters President.....Tim Whitfield



Special thank you to Rebecca Ybarra for helping to
choreograph “We Know the Way”



Moana Jr. History

Disney released the movie *Moana* in 2016 to much success. Millions of viewers have been charmed by its depiction of real tradition and heritage of the Polynesian cultures. In creating the original film, the producers at Disney Animation formed an Oceanic Trust. This group of historians, anthropologists, cultural practitioners, linguists, and choreographers from islands including Samoa, Tahiti, Mo'orea, and Fiji was integral in the creation of the film, providing feedback and notes on character design, song lyrics, and the depiction of culture onscreen.

In the movie, set around 3,000 years ago on the fictional island of Motunui, Moana must find her place and her way. Moana uses techniques that have been used for thousands of years by Polynesian voyagers. Wayfinding involves several methods of navigating. For example, navigators would watch for changes in the waves and swells of the ocean. They would observe the flight patterns of birds to find the direction of land. And of course, they would measure the stars to find their position.

Evidence of Pacific islands exploration exists that leads historians and anthropologists to believe that the mass exploration of the Pacific Ocean began in earnest over 3,500 years ago. Evidence also shows that there was a halt to this exploration for a 2000 year period which is known as "The Long Pause." It is in this timeframe that the story of *Moana* is set.

Polynesian mythology is referenced throughout the movie, especially with the depiction of Maui. Because legends vary across the islands, the version of Maui in *Moana* is not a precise portrayal of any one version of him but many of the best Polynesian stories added together.

Polynesian language and names are found in the movie also. Moana's name means "ocean" in many Polynesian languages. Tala (the name of Moana's grandma) means "story" in Samoan. "We Know the Way" features lyrics in both Samoan and Tokelauan, a Polynesian language spoken by only about 3000 people in the world today.

As a coming of age tale, the real core of Moana's story is centered around Family. Family is an important part of the Polynesian culture. Moana starts out confused and conflicted about her place in her village and in her family. As she realizes that there is more to the story of her family, including her voyaging ancestors, she begins to find her place.

We hope you enjoy the stage adaptation of the story of *Moana* on stage today. The traditions and storytelling of the Pacific Islands have brought beauty and joy to our program. It has been a pleasure to watch our students bring such rich culture and heritage to life.

Moana Jr. Bios

Aleena Aguirre (Hei Hei) is a fourth grader at Pioneer. This is her first play. She decided to try out for the play because she wanted to try something new. Her hobbies are art, dance, and cheer. She wants to be an art teacher when she grows up. Her favorite color is pink, and she loves dogs. She wants to thank her family for helping and encouraging her.

Lashawni Alexander (Villager Weaver & Shiny Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. She wanted to be in Moana Jr. because she wanted to experience being in a play. Her hobbies include baseball, hiking, and hanging out with her friends. She looks forward to being a millionaire when she grows up. She would like to thank everyone for their support.

Eliana Amezquita (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. She wanted to be in Moana Jr. because she loves acting and meeting new people. Her hobbies include drawing, playing games, and making bracelets. She would love to grow up and become an actor. She wants to thank her mom for driving her to practice.

Michael Baldovino (Backstage Helper) is a seventh grader at Weaver. He loves coming to school and seeing all of his friends. This is his first play. He wanted to be in this play because some of his classmates from last year encouraged him to try out. He would like to be a full time artist and animator when he grows up. He would like to thank his parents, friends, and family.

Alexia Barajas (Ocean Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. Her favorite thing about school is math. This is her first play, and she is very excited. She loves to sing and is in choir. Her favorite color is orange. She wants to thank her mom for being the best and for her support. She also wants to thank her dad for being very proud of her.

Ximena Giada Barajas (Ocean Ensemble) is an eighth grader at Weaver. She was in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* production last year. She enjoys being in plays because she loves to dance and sing. When she grows up she would like to own her own beauty salon. She would like to thank her parents and grandma for always being there for her.

Jacob Borrell (Fisherman, Shell, & Village fisher) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. This is his second play. He wanted to be in *Moana Jr.* because he had a lot of fun last year. His hobbies are drawing and playing games. He would like to become a lawyer in the future. He would like to thank his mom because she has supported him the whole way.

Elaina Chang (Sina and Shell) is a seventh grader at Weaver. This is her second performance in a play. She wanted to join *Moana Jr.* because the play last year was the best part of her school year. She enjoys using her phone and playing games. When she grows up she would like to be a veterinarian or an actor. She would like to thank her parents for encouraging her to go for it.

Payton Copus (Backstage Helper) is a sixth grader at Weaver. She was in *Beauty and the Beast Jr* last year and felt like she had another family. She joined *Moana Jr.* to experience that again. Her favorite things to do are to act, listen to music and talk. When she grows up, she would like to be a teacher. She wants to thank her mom, her friends and her brother who have allowed her to follow her dreams.

Kristina Cortez (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. She is the ASB president and enjoys being part of the student council. Her favorite school subjects are ELA and math. This is her second play. She likes to act and play soccer. She would like to thank her friends and family.



Jazlene Damigo (Ocean Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. She was part of last year's *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* production. She likes to make bracelets, dance, and gymnastics. She would like to become a fashion designer. She would like to share that she got top scores in both math and reading last year. She would like to thank her parents and friends.

Mariah Daniels (Moana co-lead & Ocean Ensemble) is an eighth grader at Weaver. She likes to hang out with friends when she is at school. Her favorite subject is English Language Arts. She is president of the Weaver Student Council. She is also a member of CJSF and the pentathlon. Mariah would like to become a marine biologist when she grows up. She would like to thank her mom for all her support with all her plays.

Christopher Easley (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. Math and lunch are his two favorite things about school. This is his first play, and he hopes to have a lot of fun. He likes to play basketball and wants to be a future basketball player. He wants people to know about him, so they respect him. He would like to thank his mom, dad, uncle, and friends.

Amira Eltareb (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fourth grade girl at Pioneer. This is her first play. She decided to try out because she wanted to try something new. Her hobbies are dancing and singing. She would like to become a teacher. She wants to thank her mom and all the cast members.

Haydin Gastelum (Chief Ancestor 1) is a sixth grader at Weaver. She likes to come to school to see and hang out with her friends. She has been in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* and *A Time Traveler's History of California*. She would like to be a singer when she grows up because she loves to sing. She would like to thank her parents and siblings because they believed in her to do well in the play.



Raydin Gastelum (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fourth grader at Farmdale. Math is his favorite subject at school. This is his first play. He enjoys playing games and listening to music. He wants to be an artist in the future. He wants to thank his entire family.

Rhema Gonzalez (Ocean Ensemble) is a sixth grade student at Weaver. She enjoys hanging out with her friends and playing percussion in the band. Her first play was *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* She wanted to be in this play because she had so much fun last year. She would like to be a teacher when she grows up. She wants to thank her mom, dad, aunt, and grandma for always supporting her.

Gwen Harmelin (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a sixth grader at Weaver. At school she likes going to band and playing the flute. She loves to do theater and has had a lot of experience in previous plays. In her spare time she loves to read, watch television, and play with her kittens. She wants to become a big cat zoo keeper when she grows up. She would like to thank her family and friends for all of their support.

Tova Harmelin (Village fisher, Jellyfish, & Shell) is a fourth grader at Pioneer. She loves acting and has been in a lot of plays. Her favorite hobby is art. She would like to become a Yoga instructor when she grows up. She would like to thank everyone for an amazing life. She also wants everyone to know she loves you!

Matthew Hauze (Emcee) is fourth grade student at Farmdale. His favorite thing at school is playing with all of his friends. His part in the play is emcee, and he will be announcing and introducing the play to the audience. *Moana Jr* will be his first play. He wanted to be in the play to practice acting and singing. His favorite thing to do at home is to play his Nintendo Switch. When Matthew grows up he wants to be a firefighter. He would like people to know that he is a good person. He would like to thank Ms. Day for letting him be a part of the *Moana Jr.* play.



Bailey Her (Ocean Ensemble) is a sixth grader at Weaver. She had so much fun last year that she also wanted to be in this year's play. Her hobbies include color guard, roller skating, rock climbing, and drawing. She would like to be a doctor when she grows up. She would like to thank her parents for supporting her and for allowing her to be in the play.

Kashua Her (Moana Lead & Ocean Ensemble) is an eighth grader at Weaver. Her favorite thing about school is all of her teachers. She has been in many plays and would like to be a part of performing arts in her future. Her hobbies include playing the flute, piano, and piccolo. She would like to thank her parents and all the staff!

Jordenne Hunt (Chief Ancestor 2) is in fifth grade at Pioneer. She loves everything about school. She has been in many plays because she loves to act. In her spare time she likes to color. She would like to become an actor or singer. She would like to thank her mom and both of her grandmas for always encouraging her.

Naiya Ingram (Eel, Shiny Ensemble, & Village dancer) is a fourth grader at Farmdale. She wanted to be in *Moana Jr.* because she wanted to try something new. Her favorite things to do are singing, dancing, baking, and making bracelets. When she grows up she wants to be a babysitter or a teacher. She would like to thank her parents for taking her to and picking her up from rehearsals.

Harper Klups (Tamatoa & Villager dancer) is a sixth grader at Weaver. This is her third play. She wanted to be in *Moana Jr.* because she likes to be involved in musicals and plays. She likes to play the flute and saxophone during her free time. She would like to be an actor when she grows up. She wants to thank her mom, grandma, and her aunt Annie.



Charlie Lee (Gramma Tala) is a seventh grader at Weaver. This is her first play, and she feels it is her time to shine. She loves to paint, read, babysit, cook, and travel. When she grows up, she wants to be an artist and bring art to a new level. She would like to thank her best friend Khloe for being a supportive friend.

Delilah Lee (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a sixth grader at Weaver. She had a part in last year's production of *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* She wants to be a musician in the future since she enjoys being in the marching band. She wants people to know that she probably has more siblings than you! She wants to thank herself for doing the play this year. She was surprised that she made it into a play again!

Olivia Lee (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. She loved being in last year's production of *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* and decided to try out for this year's play. She wants to be a lawyer when she grows up. Olivia would like to thank her family.

Hayden Lockhart (Village fisher, Jellyfish & Shiny Ensemble) is a fourth grader at Pioneer. This is her first play, and she is very excited. She loves to be in band because she likes playing and listening to instruments. Her hobbies include sewing, baking, and dancing. She would like to be a veterinarian in the future. She wants to thank her parents and the play directors.

Bella Luna (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fourth grader at Pioneer. Her favorite school subjects are math, science, and reading. She also enjoys being in the school band. She would like to be a doctor in the future. She wants to thank Ms. Day because she got a part in the play.



Lexie Moua (Pua & Shell) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. This is her second play. She had so much fun last year that she decided to try out for this year's production. She spends her free time singing and dancing. She wants to grow up and become an actor and work on Broadway. She wants to thank her mom for supporting her.

Juan Pulido (Chief Tui & Shiny Ensemble) is a sixth grader at Weaver. He enjoys going to math class. This is his second play. He loves to spend time with his family. Juan plays the trumpet in the school band. He wants to thank Ms. Day and all of the adults for putting this play together. He would also like to thank his mom for always helping him when he needs it.

Aimee Purslow (Village dancer & Squid) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. She likes coming to school and seeing all of her friends. Her hobbies include making clay bracelets and playing Fortnite with her cousins. She also wants to share that she has been taking dance classes for five years. She would like to work at Disney when she grows up. She wants to thank Ms. Day for allowing her to practice in her classroom.

Jeremiah Quiralte Reyes (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is an eighth grader at Weaver. He had a part in *The Giver* at Merced Playhouse. He enjoys being in plays because it is a fun experience, and he gets to hang out with his friends. Jeremiah also participates in color guard, volleyball, and soccer. He wants to grow up and become an experienced actor and a professional guard performer. He would like to thank his mom for encouraging him to perform.

Ciana Reed (Te Fiti and Shell) is a seventh grader at Weaver. She was inspired by last year's play to try out again this year. Her hobbies include eating and sleeping. She wants to be famous for various performing arts when she grows up. She would like to thank her mom and all her coaches.



Daleyza Etzel Renteria (Village weaver & Shell) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. She was in last year's production of *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* She decided to be in his year's play because she had a lot of fun and made many new friends. During her free time she likes to play volleyball, soccer, and kickball. Becoming a vet or lawyer is in her future plans. She would like to thank her mom and dad for getting her to rehearsals.

Azzy Richter (Village fisher & Shiny Ensemble) is a sixth grader at Weaver. His favorite thing about school is history class. This is his first play, and he is hoping to make new friends. He wants to be a farmer in the future. He loves to run and is looking forward to joining cross country track next year. He wants to thank his mom, grandparents, and all his friends.

Kacy Riley (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. She likes going to P.E and recess when she is at school. This is her first play, and she hopes to have a good experience. Her hobby is playing softball, and she wants to become a professional softball player. She wants to thank the judges for giving her a part in the play.

Alyson Roberts (Right Claw & Village dancer) is a fourth grader at Pioneer. She has been in three different plays. She decided to try out for *Moana Jr.* because she was inspired by her sister. She likes to sing and dance. When she grows up she wants to work at Starbucks. She wants people to know that she is both goofy and funny. She would like to thank Mrs. Allison, Ms. Day, and Monica.

Karsyn Scoggins (Village dancer , Shiny Ensemble & Eel) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. Her favorite subject at school is science because she gets to learn and do cool stuff. This is her first play. She loves acting, and it was her dream to be in *Moana Jr.* She loves to play piano during her spare time. She wants people to know that she is kind, smart, and a really happy person. She would like to thank Arianna Velasco because she is the one who got her into acting.

Jazlin Salcido (Backstage Helper) is seventh grader at Weaver. Last year, she was Belle's double for pictures during the book exchange. She has been involved with band since the fifth grade, playing a percussion instrument and the bass clarinet. She wants to be a doctor or a nurse when she grows up. She would like to thank her friends for supporting her and her parents for going along with her crazy schedule.

Aurora Serena (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. This is her second play. She wanted to be in *Moana Jr.* because it will help her become a better actor. Her hobbies include writing, acting, and drawing. She would like to become an actor when she grows up. Her favorite colors are dark turquoise, orange, and light green. She would like to thank everyone.

Jaxson Spielman (Chief Ancestor 3) is an eighth grader at Weaver. His previous plays include *Frozen Jr.* and *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* Jaxson is looking forward to receiving a drama chord at graduation. His favorite hobby is Taekwondo, and he is almost a black belt. His future plans include becoming a Disney Chef. He would like to thank his family and all his friends.

Zach Tristan (Maui co-lead & Shiny Ensemble) is an eighth grader at Weaver. He tried out for the play because he wanted to try something new and get out of his comfort zone. He loves to play a lot of sports, but his favorite is baseball. He wants to be a MLB player in the future. He would like to thank his parents because they help him a lot.

Ronan Vang (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. His favorite thing to do at school is math. This is his first play. He likes to sketch and read when he has free time. He would like to be a Paleontologist when he grows up. He wants people to know that he is friendly, kind, and a very likable person. He would like to thank Ms. Day for bringing back the plays.



Yaretzi Vargas (Village weaver & Shiny Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. She likes to come to school to see her friends and teachers. This is her second play. She had so much fun last year that she decided to try out again. She wants to work at Starbucks or be a police officer when she grows up. She would like to thank her mom, dad, and grandma.

Arianna Velasco (Ancestor & Maui Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. She likes coming to school and hanging out with her friends. She wanted to try out for *Moana Jr.* because she had a lot of fun last year. She loves to swim and wants to become a lifeguard in the future. She would like to thank her parents for believing in her.

Mayana Viera (Village weaver & Shell) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. This is her first play. She decided to try out for *Moana Jr.* because she is a huge fan of the movie. She likes to play volleyball, basketball, paint, and sing. She loves animals and would like to be a veterinarian when she grows up. She would like to thank her mom for pushing her and being a positive influence for her.

Mia Villarreal (Ocean Ensemble) is a seventh grader at Weaver. She likes coming to school and going to band class. She loves to play the flute and percussion. This is her second play. She would love to be an actor when she grows up. She wants to thank her mom because she pushed her to audition for the play.

TJ Whitfield (Maui Lead, Villager, & Shiny Ensemble) is a seventh grader at Weaver. He has been in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* and *James and the Giant Peach Jr.* His hobbies include band and baseball. He also likes to show cattle and goats. He loves his dogs and enjoys walks on the beach. He would like to thank his family (especially his mom), his past and present teachers, and Ms. Day.

Ryann Williams (Left Claw & Village dancer) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. She wanted to try out for *Moana Jr.* because she loves Moana. She loves soccer, singing, and dancing. She would like to work at Starbucks in the future. She would like to thank her mom, Kashua, and Ms. Day.

Faith Xiong (Ancestor/Maui Ensemble & Baby Moana) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. This is her first play. She likes to play games and go swimming. She wants people to know that she is very brave. She would like to become a doctor. She wants to thank all the adults for choosing and believing in her.

Giselle Xiong (Backstage Helper) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. This is her second play. Her hobbies include listening to Korean music and playing the trombone. She would like to go to college and major in music. She wants people to know her as a respectful student and an organized person. She would like to thank her family for being proud of her.

Callie Yang (Ocean Ensemble) is a fifth grader at Pioneer. She loves coming to school to learn new things and participating in all the fun activities. This is her first play. Her hobbies include art and Hmong dancing. She would like to be a preschool teacher when she grows up. She wants to thank all the drama teachers and all her family members.

Aubrey Yee (Te Ka, Village fisher, & Angler) is a fifth grader at Farmdale. This is her third play. She wanted to be in *Moana Jr.* because she is part Hawaiian. She is also a huge fan of the movie. She would like to be an actor when she grows up. She likes to play the trumpet and piano during her spare time. She wants to thank her mom for supporting her. She also wants to thank Ms. Day for accepting her in the play.

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