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The Fraser Performing Arts Center

Present

Little Women

a play

by Peter Clapham

Adapted from the novel by Louisa M. Alcott

Directed by Nicholas Charland & Shelley Bajorek

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Samuel French, Inc 235 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10013

Cast

Amy March	Sydney Nummer	Aunt March	Samantha Hunt+*
Beth March	Brooke Arnold*	Laurie	William Bajorek+*
Jo March	Sarah Wallace*	John Brooke	Cheyne Middleton*
Meg March	Miranda Cole+*	Mr. Laurence	John Cotey+*
Hannah	Faith Ziegenfelder*	Dr. Bangs	John Vorgitch
Mrs. March (Marmee)	Emma Guzman*	Mr. March	Brandon Marquez

Synopsis of Acts

The action of the play passes in the parlor of the home o the March family on the outskirts of Concord, a small town in Massachusetts, New England, in the 1860's, during the American Civil War.

ACT I	Scene 1	A few days before Christmas—late afternoon	
	Scene 2	New Year's Eve—early evening	
	Scene 3	The following afternoon	
		~ 10-Minute Intermission~	
ACT II	Scene 1	The following summer—later afternoon	
	Scene 2	The following day—about the same time	
		~ 10-Minute Intermission~	
ACT III	Scene 1	November of the same year—a Sunday morning	
	Scene 2	Ten days later—late evening	
	Scene 3	Christmas morning—about noon	

Production Staff

Technical Director & Set Design Eric Vreeland Stage Manager Hannah Brannon+ Backstage Crew Stella Authier* Caitlin Kelly Sound Tech Patrick Bacol Matthew Cole* Elaine Stumpf* Light Tech Savannah Danis* Geoffrey Martin Jakobe Neal Julia Scholl Costumes Christine Arnold Shirley Fager Set Construction Al Arnold Beverly Dobosenski Eric Vreeland Scenic Artist Stella Authier* Props & Set Dressing Beverly Dobosenski Program Nicholas Charland

* Fraser Performing Arts Career Academy Student + Member of the Tri-M Music Honors Society

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SYDNEY NUMMER (*Amy March*) is a sophomore and making her sixth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. Her credits include Cheerleader in *High School Musical Jr.* ('15), Townsperson in *Footloose* ('15), Nala in *The Lion King Jr.* ('16) and Strawberry Seller in *Oliver!* ('16) and Thing #1 in *Seussical* ('17). She was also a student director for the FPS

summer theater camp's production of *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* ('17). She has also appeared in LIFE Players Productions of *Annie* ('10), *The Secret Garden* ('11), and *Fiddler on the Roof* ('12). Sydney is a member of The Fraser Dance Team and band. She enjoys dancing, singing, and playing the piano in her free time.



BROOKE ARNOLD (*Beth March*) is a sophomore and making her twelfth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. Her credits include ensemble actor for *The Jungle Book: Kids* ('12), *Schoolhouse Rocks Live! Jr.* ('13), and *The King & I* ('14), Ancestor Lin in *Mulan Jr.* ('14), Flying Monkey & Poppy in *The Wizard of Oz* ('14), Sharpay Evans in *High School*

Musical Jr. ('15), Townsperson in Footloose ('15), Rafiki in The Lion King Jr. ('16), Rose Seller in Oliver! ('16), Chris Gorman in Rumors ('17) & Gertrude McFuzz in Seussical ('17) . Brooke was a vocal director for the FPS summer theater camp's production of Beauty and the Beast Jr. ('17) She has also appeared in OnOurOwn Productions of Les Miserables ('13), Hairspray ('15), Jesus Christ Superstar ('16), and Shrek ('17). Brooke is a member of the Student Council, Fraser Singers, Symphony Band and Marching Band and she has also received 1st Division rates at vocal and instrumental Solo & Ensemble and was the winner of the Italian American Idol. "I would like to thank Mr. Charland, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Aaron Caruso for teaching me throughout my musical journey. I would also like to thank my family, mom and dad especially. Mom: thank you for being so supportive and for providing great costumes. Dad: thank you for taking such great pictures and for always supporting me. Lastly, I would like to thank my big brother, Brad, for inspiring me to become the musician I am today."



SARAH WALLACE (Jo March) is a sophomore and making her fourteenth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. Her credits include Baby Elephant Bird in Seussical ('09), ensemble actor in Annie ('10), Willy Wonka ('11), The Jungle Book: Kids ('12), and Anything Goes ('12), Dina in Schoolhouse Rocks Live! Jr. ('13), a princess in The King & I

('14), Ancestor Hong in *Mulan Jr.* ('14), Citizen of Oz in *The Wizard of Oz* ('14), Ms. Darbus in *High School Musical Musical*

Jr. ('15), Townsperson in Footloose ('15), Zazu in The Lion King Jr. ('16), & a Bird Girl in Seussical ('17). Sarah was a student director for the FPS summer theater camp's production of Beauty and the Beast Jr. ('17) She has also appeared in OnOurOwn Productions of Les Miserables ('13), Spamalot ('14), Hairspray ('15), Jesus Christ Superstar ('16), and Shrek ('17). Sarah is a member of the Fraser Varsity Dance Team, Fraser Color Guard, Fraser Singers, Fraser Performing Arts Career Academy, and an altar server at St. Ronald's. She enjoys acting, signing, dancing, and playing the piano. "I would like to thank everyone who made this play possible! A special thanks to my parents for always supporting my love of performing!"



MIRANDA COLE (*Meg March*) is a senior and making her seventeenth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. Her credits include ensemble actor for *The Wizard of Oz* ('06), *Seussical* ('09), *Annie* ('10), *Willy Wonka* ('11), *White Christmas* ('11), *Anything Goes* ('12), Dori in *Schoolhouse Rocks Live! Jr.* ('13), a wife in *The King & I* ('14), Mushu in *Mulan Jr.* ('14),

Winkie General in The Wizard of Oz ('14), Frieda in Snoopy! ('15), Eleanor Dunbar in Footloose ('15), Marvalyn & Hope in Almost, Maine ('16), Nancy in Oliver! ('16), Cassie Copper in Rumors ('17) & Mayzie La Bird in Seussical ('17). Miranda was a student director for the FPS summer theater camp's production of High School Musical Jr. ('15), The Lion King Jr. ('16), and Beauty and the Beast Jr. ('17). Miranda is a member of Tri-M Music Honors Society, Marching Band, Fraser Singers, Symphony Band, Jazz Band, and the Fraser Performing Arts Career Academy. She was named "Most dedicated" in varsity band, "Best All-Around" marcher & "Outstanding Soloist" in the marching band. After high school Miranda plans on attending Oakland University where she will major in Musical "I would like to thank Mr. Charland, Mr. Perkins, Theatre. Mrs. Hagerty, Mr. Vreeland, and anyone else who's helped me on (and off) stage for all thee years in theater. Because of all of you, this place has become a second home of mine. I couldn't thank you all enough."



FAITH ZIEGENFELDER (Hannah) is a freshman and making her eleventh appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. Her credits include ensemble actor Willy Wonka ('11), Jungle Book: Kids ('12), The King & I ('14), Mulan Jr. ('14), Taylor in High School Musical Jr. ('15), Townsperson in Footloose ('15), Sarabi in The Lion King Jr. ('16), part of Fagan's Gang

in Oliver! ('16), Belle in Beauty and the Beast Jr. ('17), & a Bird Girl in Seussical ('17). Faith is a member of the Flute Ensemble and enjoys singing, reading, hanging out with her friends and family and going to R.O.C.K. (Church Youth

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Group). "Thank you to my family and friend who are always there to support me. And to the wonderful teacher that have guided me and encouraged me – this is why Fraser Performing Arts has a tradition of excellence because of the great teachers we have!"



EMMA GUZMAN (*Mrs. March "Marmee"*) is a sophomore and making her third appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. Her credits include Widow Corney in *Oliver!* ('16) & Mrs. Mayor in *Seussical* ('17). She is a member of the Fraser Performing Arts Career Academy and enjoys playing music, song writing, and performing wherever she can. She plans

on majoring in music in college.



SAMANTHA HUNT (*Aunt March*) is a senior and making her sixth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. Her credits include ensemble actor for *The Wizard of Oz* ('14), member of the orchestra for *Footloose* ('15), Villian in *Almost, Maine* ('16), Charlotte in *Oliver!* ('16), and General Schmitz in *Seussial* ('17). Samantha was also i n v o l v e d w i t h t h e

U of M Detroit production of *Cinderella* ('15) and the Fraser Drama Clubs production of *30 Plays in 60 Minutes* ('16). She is a member of the Symphony Band, Concert Band, Fraser Performing Arts Career Academy, Drum Major of the Fraser Marching Band for two years, and is Vice President of the Fraser Tri-M Honors Society. She's been awarded the "Top Rookie" award of Marching Band and "Most Dedicated" in band and choir. In the fall Samantha plans on attending Western Michigan University. "I would like to thank all of my friends for supporting me through the years, to my parents for always being there for me. Mr. Rodgers for my love of music and performance and both Mr. Charland and Mr. Perkins for every opportunity I've been given on the stage."



WILLIAM BAJOREK (Laurie) is a junior and making his tenth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. His credits include ensemble actor for *The Music Man* ('08) Ancestor Laozi in *Mulan Jr.* ('14), Ensemble in *The Wizard of Oz* ('14), Ryan Evans in *High School Musical Jr.* ('15), Principal Harry Clark in *Footloose* ('15), Steve in *Almost, Maine* ('16), Mr. Brownlow

in *Oliver*! ('16), Officer Welch in *Rumors* ('17) & a Wickersham Brother in *Seussical* ('17). William was a director for the FPS summer theater camp's production of *The Lion King Jr.* ('16), and *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* ('17). He has also appeared in The Village Youth Theater's Productions of *Mulan Jr.* ('09) and *Pippi Longstocking* ('10). William is a member of The Fraser Performing Arts Career Academy, Tri-M Music Honors Society and is a choreographer for the Richards Middle School Show Choir. After high school he hopes to secure an internship with through the Disney Corporation. "Thank you so much to those who have been there for me and have supported me through everything. Thank you to my family for helping me prepare for this show. Lastly, I would like to thank the director for dedicating so much time to helping us become our character and do the best we can.



CHEYNE MIDDLETON (John Brooke) is a sophomore and making his fourth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. His credits include Chad Danforth in *Footloose* ('15), Scar in *Lion King Jr* ('16), & the Prince in *Beauty and the Beast Jr*.('17). He's also appeared on stage as a member of the Concert Ministries Inc. Youth E n s e m b l e . C h e y n e is a

member of the Marching Band, Jazz Band and Fraser Singers and enjoys playing the piano in his spare time. "Thank you to my always supportive parents and family. I love looking for your faces in the crowd at every concert or performance; you all are the reason I am who I am today. A huge thank you to all of the Performing Arts teachers who have allowed me & encouraged me to explore and cultivate my love for music and performance.



JOHN COTEY (*Mr. Laurence*) is a senior and making his fifteenth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. His credits include James in *Willy Wonka* ('11), ensemble for *White Christmas* ('11), *Anything Goes* ('12), Colonial Hathi in Jungle Book: Kids ('12), a sailor in Anything Goes ('12), George/Bill in Schoolhouse Rocks Live! Jr. ('13), Prince Chulalongkorn in The

King & I ('14), Captain Shang in Mulan Jr. ('14), ensemble for The Wizard of Oz ('14), Schroeder in Snoopy!! ('15), Willard Hewitt in Footloose ('15), Jimmy in Almost, Maine ('16), Dr. Grimwig in Oliver! ('16), Ernie Cusack in Rumors ('17) & Horton the Elephant in Seussical ('17). He has also appeared in OnOurOwn Productions of Hairspray ('15), and Shrek ('17). John is a member of the Marching Band, Golf Team, Fraser Performing Arts Career Academy, and Tri-M Music Honor Society. In the fall he plans on attending college with a major in Musical Theatre. "I would like to thank everyone in the Fraser Performing Arts Department who has made an impact on me throughout my many shows here. I'm sad this is my last production, but I'm ready to carry what I've learned into college. I would also like to thank my parent and every single family member and friend who has come to support me. Thank you, Fraser Performing Arts Department, it's been a wild ride."

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JOHN VORGITCH (*Dr. Bangs*) is a freshman and making his second appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. His debut performance was as Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* ('17). John was also a light tech for *Seussical* ('17). John is a member of the Fraser Singers and enjoys playing basketball, track, and hanging out with his friends in his spare time. "I would

like to thank my family and friends that support me and tell me that I can do anything ."



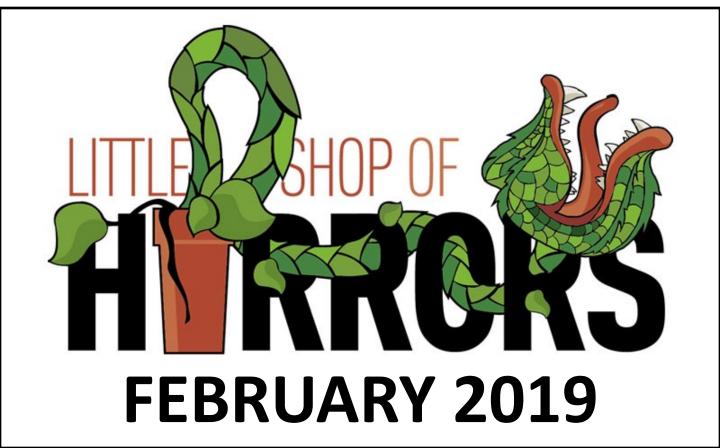
BRANDON MARQUEZ (*Mr. March*) is a senior and making his fourth appearance in a Fraser Performing Arts Center production. His credits include ensemble actor in *Footloose* ('15), Mr. Sowerberry in *Oliver!* ('16), & the Grinch in *Seussical* ('17) . He has also appeared in Warren Civic Theater's Productions of *Beauty and the Beast* ('16) and *Seussical* ('17). Brandon is a

member of the Dungeons & Dragons Club and enjoys drawing, writing, gaming and Pokémon in his spare time. "I'd like to thank my family and friends for supporting me throughout my tenure at Fraser, and I wish my younger cousins that follow in my footsteps the best of luck and hope that they will prosper.



HANNAH BRANNON (*Stage Manager*) is a senior and this production marks her fifth at Fraser Performing Arts Center. Her previous productions include *High School Musical Jr.* ('15), *The Lion King Jr.* ('16) *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* ('17) and *Seussical* ('17). Hannah is a member of The Fraser Singers, National Honors Society, Tri-M Music Honors Society a n d is the Soccer Club

manager. In the fall she plans on finishing the Early College Program and transferring to a university to major in Trauma Psychology. "I would like to thank my parents for supporting me in everything I do. Also the Performing Arts Department for allowing me this opportunity and a place of comfort throughout my high school years.





Friday, April 20, 2018

Featuring The RMS Jazz Band & RMS Show Choir 7:00 pm

\$5.00 assigned seating *Dinner sold separately*

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Featuring The FHS Jazz Band & Fraser Singers 7:00 pm

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The History of Fraser Theater & Performing Arts Center

1958 1959	Paint The Town Pink The Fakers	1978	Bye Bye Birdie Ginger The Fantasticks	
1960	Best Foot Forward	1979	Godspell	
1961	Our Town		My Three Angels	
1962	My Three Angels		The Roar Of The Greasepaint – The Smell Of The Crowd	
1963	Diary Of Anne Frank		The Man Of La Mancha	
1964	The Death & Life Of Larry Benson	1980	Annie Get Your Gun	
1966	Arsenic & Old Lace		Junie Moon FACES	
1967	You Can't Take It With You		Runaways	
1968	The Mouse That Roared	1981	Finian's Rainbow You're A Cood Man Charlie Brown	
1969	The Miracle Worker		You're A Good Man Charlie Brown Philemon	
1970	The Apple Tree		The King & I Grease	
1971	The Cat & The Canary There's No White Chalk Dust In This Garden Little Red Riding Hood	1982	Barefoot In The Park West Side Story	
1972	West Side Story		McBeth Did It The Gin Game	
1973	Dracula	1983	Veronica's Room	
1974	Don't Drink The Water Funny Girl		Carousel Snoopy Come Blow Your Horn	
1975	Damn Yankees Fiddler On The Roof Generation Prisoner Godspell	1984	Godspell Night Watch The Sunshine Boys Arsenic & Old Lace Dream Shadows	
1976	Li'L Abner God's Favorite Exit The King Diary Of Anne Frank	1985	They're Playing Our Song Annie Murder On The Nile	
	O-B-A-F-G A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum	1986	Brighton Beach Memoirs Anything Goes You're A Good Man Charlie Brown	
1977	Mousetrap Haunting Of Hill House The Odd Couple	1987	The Wizard Of Oz Harvey I Believe In Make Believe	
	Anything Goes The Miracle Worker You're A Good Man Charlie Brown	1988	The Odd Couple Dracula	
		1989	The Little Shop Of Horrors The Diary Of Anne Frank	

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1990	The Music Man Arsenic & Old Lace	2009	Seussical Fools	
1991	Charlie Brown Death	2010	Annie Halloween Screams	
	Godspell The Murder Room	2011	The Phantom Of The Opera Willy Wonka	
1992	Fiddler On The Roof Dracula	2042	White Christmas	
1993	Fools Godspell	2012	Clue: The Musical The Jungle Book: Kids Anything Goes	
1994	The Sound Of Music My Three Angels	2013	The Giver Schoolhouse Rocks Live! Jr. Afraid of the Dark	
1995	Annie Barefoot In The Park	2014	The King & I Mulan Jr. Wizard of Oz	
1996	Peter Pan Don't Drink The Water			
1997	The King & I Rehearsal For Murder	2015	Snoopy!! High School Musical Jr. Footloose	
1998	Oliver! Knock 'em Dead	2016	Almost, Maine Lion King Jr.	
1999	You Can't Take It With You Come Blow Your Horn		Oliver!	
	The Little Shop Of Horrors	2017	Rumors Beauty and the Beast Jr.	
2000	West Side Story You're A Good Man Charlie Brown		Seussical	
2001	South Pacific Arsenic & Old Lace			
2002	Annie 12 Angry Men			
2003	Barefoot in the Park Anything Goes			
2004	Death By Chocolate Bye Bye Birdie			
2005	Harvey Web Of Murder			
2006	The Foreigner The Wizard Of Oz			
2007	The Sound Of Music Frankenstein			
2008	The Music Man			

A Christmas Carol

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