

A **CAST** like *Never Before*

Quick Changes Galore Throughout the entire musical, HannahTaylor26 has eight costume changes. "It felt like a miracle every show when I would make all my changes," Taylor said. Photo by Piper Albers.

From freshman Show Choir to senior year spotlight, HelenChristen26 and HannahTaylor26 have been sharing the stage, and a friendship, for as long as they can remember. After years of ensemble and supporting roles, the chance to bring Cinderella's fairytale to life as leads felt like the perfect ending to their high school theater story. They first met during freshman year Show Choir auditions, both nervous and unsure about joining such a time-consuming activity. To their surprise, it turned out to be more than worth it, because they found each other. Over the years, their bond only grew stronger as they performed together in four years of Show Choir, musicals, and three plays.

Cast In alphabetical order: KateBerthelsen29, LivBrown27, EvanChattin28, HelenChristen26, KatherineDietz26, JoshFerro27, BridgetFinnegan26, MaddieFitch28, LilyFoix28, AddieGolka27, SophieGolka27, SawyerHelton26, BenjaminKafka29, LeoKelly27, JonathanKelly28, ClaraKizer26, MaxwellKolker29, EleanorKolterman26, MarielleKolterman28, OliverLampe29, ThomasLawler28, SophiaLosole26, BrigidMcFall27, LucyMendenhall26, BrennenNelson28, AlexOlmstead26, LillyPrenger28, JonRichardson28, ThomasRogers29, MadisonSchnell27, RobbieSherrick26, DottieSmith27, HannahTaylor26, ChrisTollo27, MaddieWallace29, LaylaWeedin26, JillianWhite29, EliseWillson28.

Aliyah Williams



Crew The crew manages every behind-the-scenes element of the musical—lights, props, sound, costumes, and set changes. They made sure actresses were onstage at the right moments, set pieces were placed correctly, and quick changes happened smoothly.

Michelle Delisi



Senior year, directors cast Taylor as Cinderella and Christen as her stepsister, Gabrielle. "The fact that both of our characters were friends made it all the more fun," Taylor said. Their friendship was only a part of what made the show special; the entire cast shared the same sense of support and joy that Taylor and Christen modeled every day. When the curtain fell for the final time, there wasn't a dry eye in the Performing Arts Center. For Taylor and Christen, it wasn't just the end of a show, it was the closing of a chapter filled with friendship, growth, and shared memories. "Everyone, not just Hannah and I, felt this way. I think this is the best a cast has worked together the whole time I have done theater at Marian and that made it even more fun and special as my senior year show," Christen said.



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Dancing Through the Night The entire cast brings "Cinderella" to life with their captivating personalities and stunning gowns. HelenChristen26 and ClaraKizer26 took on the roles of Cinderella's stepsisters, while BrigidMcFall27 stepped into the role of their mother, Madame.

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Watch Out for Midnight HannahTaylor26 sings "It's Possible" as she set out for the royal ball in her magical carriage. Stunning sets and props brought scenes like this to life and made the musical even more enchanting.



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Is that a Fairy Godmother? Marie, played by EleanorKolterman26, helps Cinderella get to the ball. The transformation from an elderly lady to a magical fairy godmother left the audience stunned.

Bring on the Attitude ClaraKizer26 and Ladies of the Court sing their hearts out during "Sister's Lament" with wholesome facial expressions and attitude. Their energy filled the stage and left the audience smiling.

Stepsisters in the Spotlight The duo, ClaraKizer26 and HelenChristen26 own the stage as Charlotte and Gabriella. Their standout number "When You're Driving Through the Moonlight" was a show stopper. Photo by Roselyn Sanchez.



Elizabeth Wepfer

In the Spotlight Soloist LivBrown27 takes the spotlight during "The Prince is Giving a Ball/Now is the Time" to show off her musical talents. She recommended being part of the musical to everyone. "Being part of the musical, to me, was amazing! I got to share my gifts and talents with close friends and be part of something that was much bigger than me," Brown said.

"This year our cast became closer than ever before, almost like family. The show ended, but the friendships never did!"
- ClaraKizer26



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