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Music Direction by Jeffrey Saver
Co-Choreographed by Krisha Marcano and Sam Lee Baladejo
Fight Choreographer: Kelly Martin Mann
Dance Captain: Rachel Marie
Fight Captain: Hunter McCoy

CAST LIST

Veronica Sawyer ................................................................. Maddy Brown
JD (Jason Dean) ................................................................. Jacob Moskovitz
Heather Chandler ............................................................. Reagan Caraway
Heather McNamara .......................................................... Devlin Stark
Heather Duke ................................................................. Brooke Stephenson
Martha Dunnstock ........................................................... Venus Fischer
Kurt Kelley ................................................................. Matias de la Flor
Ram Sweeney ................................................................. Logan Gould
Kurt’s Dad/Veronica’s Dad/Principal Gowan .................... Santiago Sepulveda
Ram’s Dad/Big Bud Dean/Coach Ripper ............................ Owen Harrison
Ms. Fleming/Veronica’s Mom ............................................... Natasha Dvorak
Armando Lopez/Officer McCord ................................. Diego Vazquez Gomez Bertelli
Chester O’Brien/Officer Milner ......................................... Hunter McCoy
DeAngelo “Yves” Capers III .................................................. Kobe McKelvey
Jessie Jenkins ................................................................. Rachel Marie
Danielle Williams .......................................................... Maya Mays
Marcy Tyler ................................................................. Juliet Perel

THE SCENE

Sherwood, a small suburban town in Ohio, 1989
MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT ONE

Scene One

01. "Beautiful (Part One)" ................................. Veronica, Martha, Ram
................................................................. Kurt, Faculty, Students
01a. "Beautiful (Part Two)" ............................. Veronica, Chandler, McNamara
................................................................. Duke, Faculty, Students

Scene Two

01b. "It’s Been Three Weeks" ............................. Orchestra
02. "Candy Store" ........................................... Chandler, McNamara, Duke
................................................................. Veronica, Martha, Offstage Girls
03. "Fight For Me" ................................. Veronica, Students, Faculty

Scene Three

03a. "Transition To Croquet" .............................. Orchestra
03b. "Candy Store Playoff" ............................... Chandler, McNamara
................................................................. Duke, Offstage Girls

Scene Four

04. "Freeze Your Brain" ................................. J.D., Veronica
04a. "Transition To Party" ................................. J.D., Veronica

Scene Five

05. "Big Fun" ................................. Ram, Kurt, Chandler, McNamara, Duke
................................................................. Veronica, Martha, Teen Party Guests
05a. "Piñata Of Doom" ...................................... Orchestra
05b. "Where’s The Goddamn Keg" ........................ Orchestra

Scene Six

06. "Dead Girl Walking" ................................. Veronica, J.D.
06a. "Veronica’s Chandler Nightmare" ................. Chandler, Veronica
................................................................. Spooky Teens
06aa. "Bedtime For Chandler" ............................ Orchestra
06b. "Death At Dawn" ................................. Orchestra

Scene Seven

06c. "Pain In My Path" ................................. J.D., Veronica
07. "The Me Inside Of Me” .................................. Veronica, J.D., Chandler, Milner
.............................................................. Mc Cord, Fleming, Students, Faculty
07a. ”The Me Inside Of Me Playoff” ................................................. Orchestra

Scene Eight

07b. “Transition To Lehmann’s Farm” ............................................. Orchestra

Scene Nine

08. "You’re Welcome” ................................................................. Ram, Kurt, Veronica
................................................................. McNamara, Offstage Dudes

Scene Ten

08a. ”Ghost Heather” ............................................................... Orchestra
09. "Never Shut Up Again” .......................................................... Ram, Kurt, Duke
................................................................. Veronica, Students
09a. ”J.D. Gets Beat” ............. J.D., Ram, Kurt, Veronica, Students, Faculty
10. "Our Love Is God” ............................................................... J.D., Veronica
................................................................. Ram, Kurt, Ensemble

ACT TWO

Scene One

10a. ”Organ Entr’acte” .............................................................. Orchestra
10b. ”Prom Or Hell?” ............................................................... Veronica
11. ”My Dead Gay Son” ......................................................... Ram’s Dad, Kurt’s Dad, Mourners
11a. ”My Dead Gay Son Playoff” ................................................ Orchestra

Scene Two

12. ”Seventeen” ................................................................. Veronica, J.D

Scene Three

12a. ”Happy Ever After” .......................................................... Orchestra
12b. ”Places For Assembly” ....................................................... Orchestra
13. “Shine A Light” ......................... Fleming, Students (except Martha), Faculty
14. “Shine A Light Playoff” ....................................................... Orchestra
14. “Lifeboat” ................................................................. McNamara
14a. ”Shine A Light Playoff (Reprise)” ................. Duke, McNamara
................................................................. Students, Faculty
14b. "You’re Welcome, McNamara" .......................................................... Orchestra

Scene Four

15. "I Say No" ......................................................................................... Veronica, J.D.

Scene Five

15a. "Hey Yo Westerberg" ................................................................. McNamara, Students
16. "Kindergarten Boyfriend" ............................................................. Martha
16a. "Transition To Petition" ............................................................... Orchestra

Scene Six

17. "Yo Girl/Meant To Be Yours" ....................................................... J.D., Veronica, Dead Teens
18. "Dead Girl Walking (Reprise)" ...................................................... Veronica, J.D.
............................................................................................................. Students, Fleming

Scene Seven

18a. "We’re All Worth Saving" ............................................................. Orchestra

Scene Eight

19. "Finale (Seventeen Reprise)" ....................................................... Veronica, Martha, McNamara
............................................................................................................. Duke, Students, Faculty
20. "Bows" ............................................................................................. All

THE BAND

Jeffrey Saver, music director

Violin
Charley Shafer

Trumpet
Steve Sutton

Piano/Keyboard
Damon Carmona

Bass
Stephen Ware

Reeds
Taiki Azuma

Percussion
Chrishawn Darby

Keyboard Programmer
Kevin Roland
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Lighting Designer
Amanda Fisk

Sound Designer
Nora Cuthbertson

Costume Designer
Johnna Presby

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Davis Campbell

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Natalie Carney

Paint Charge
Olivia Hill

Production Manager
Liz Stewart

Production Stage Manager
Devyn Tibbals

Rehearsal Pianist
Damon Carmona

Technical Director
Branigan Duguay

Intimacy Coach
Laura Rikard

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Stage Manager ................................................................................ Evan Hausthor
Assistant Stage Manager ............................................................ Omar Sosa
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Assistant Sound Designer .......................................................... Molly McGill
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........................................................................................................... Maki Niikura
Assistant Wig and Makeup Designer .................................... Heather Hardin
Automation Project Lead ............................................................ Dylan Lackey
Automation Fabricators ............................................................. Nomi Frank, Kaci Kidder
........................................................................................................ Hannah Stecklein, Van Wei
Automation Operator ........................................................................ Kaci Kidder
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.............................................................................................. Scott Carney, Mel Davis, Chai Freedman
.............................................................................................. Colleen Goropeuchek, Ophelia Jackson
.............................................................................................. Jamie Martinsen, Bridgette Tran
.............................................................................................. Kylie Wagner, Desmond Wood
Lead Welders ........................................... Emmy Babyak, Graham Savage
Deck Chief ..................................................... Ryan Lasich
Deck Crew .................................................. Kai Aguirre, Brian Alexander Alcantara
............................................................... Mel Davis, Colleen Goropeuchek
............................................................... Ophelia Jackson, Bridgette Tran
............................................................... Kylie Wagner, Desmond Wood
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Painters ............................................................ Claire Barger, Lucas Becker
............................................................... Tierney Brennan, Tess Crabtree, Anah Galinski
............................................................... Tessa Hager, Abrianna Harmon
............................................................... Jasmine Hernandez, MaKenzie Lawson
............................................................... Renae Losee, Adeline Merson, Katie Pulling
............................................................... Clara Rimes, Sarah Ruth, Paige Spizzo
............................................................... Ross Stephens, Olivia Venable
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Programmer ................................................ Darian M. Horvath
Lighting Console Operator .................. Evie Nootenboom
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............................................................... Maggie Hammond, Isabella Rebollo
Head Deck Electrician ....................... Andrew Beauregard
Head Set Electrician ............................... Eric Nelson
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............................................................... Delia Chaves, Julian Cordova
............................................................... Garrett Deutsch, Isabel Egbert, Logan Esco
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............................................................... Jack Koch, Lauren Lee, Noelle Longenberger
............................................................... Ashley Luckadoo, Mac McClary, Chris Mendell
............................................................... Adeline Merson, Bill Nowlin, Emma Perch
............................................................... Isabella Rebollo, Harrison Reid, Justin Seithel
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............................................................... Ashley Spear, Frankie Stiehl-Guerra
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......................................................... Abby Gragg, Deanna Hennelly, Khepra Hetep
......................................................... Marquita Horton, Elliott Hunter, Emma Kaczorowski
......................................................... Damarius Kennedy, Willow Macivor, Mace Marley
......................................................... Kira Miller, Christina Miracola, Ella Moffly
......................................................... Alexis Mundle, Megan Peck, Chelsea Rose
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BIOGRAPHY

Kevin Murphy (playwright) was a producer of the original LA and NY productions of "Heathers" (Drama Desk nomination for music). He also provided lyrics and co-wrote the book for the stage musical "Reefer Madness" and was a producer on both the original Los Angeles and Off-Broadway productions. "Reefer" swept the three major Los Angeles theatre awards which included triple wins for Best Musical and Best Score. In New York, Murphy's lyrics were nominated for a Drama Desk Award. He co-adapted "Reefer" into a Showtime Original movie which premiered at the 2005 Sundance Film Festival and screened in competition at the 2005 Deauville Film Festival, winning the Premiere Audience Award. The movie received three Emmy nominations, winning for Outstanding Music & Lyrics. Murphy is currently showrunner for the AMC historical drama series “The Son” starring Pierce Brosnan. Other TV credits include “Desperate Housewives” (Golden Globe winner, two-time WGA Award nomination, Emmy nomination), “Defiance,” ”Ed,” "Reaper," "Caprica" and "Hellcats." Murphy has co-written many songs for these shows, most recently “Across the Storm Divide” (recorded by Trace Adkins) and “Teach This Boy to Fly” (co-written with Laurence O'Keefe), both of which were featured on "Defiance.”

Laurence O'Keefe (playwright) was a producer of the original LA and NY productions of "Heathers" (Drama Desk nomination for music). With his wife, Nell Benjamin, he won the Olivier Award (London’s Tony) for co-writing "Legally Blonde: The Musical," which ran 2 1/2 years on the West End and has toured the UK. “Blonde” received seven Tony Award nominations, had two US national tours and several international productions and also won Australia’s Helpmann Award for Best Musical. O'Keefe wrote the Off-Broadway smash "Bat Boy: The Musical," which won the Lucille Lortel Award, two Richard Rodgers Awards and the New York Outer Critics Circle Award for Best Musical, and has received 500+ productions worldwide, including the West End, Tokyo, Seoul, Berlin and Edinburgh. O'Keefe has composed music and/or lyrics for The Daily Show, SyFy's Defiance, the Disney Channel, PBS and Cirque du Soleil. A graduate of Harvard and USC, O'Keefe teaches master classes at Harvard, Yale, NYU and elsewhere.

Kelly Martin Mann (director) is the stage combat instructor for the School of Drama at University of North Carolina School of the Arts (UNCSA). She is an actor and fight director as well as a certified teacher with the Society of American Fight Directors. Some credits include The Alliance Theatre, Horizon Theatre, True Colors Theatre, Georgia Shakespeare Festival and The Alabama Shakespeare Festival. She works primarily throughout the Southeast. Mann served as the fight director for the Alliance Theatre’s world premiere of “Ghost Brothers of Darkland County” written by Stephen King and John Mellencamp.
Krisha Marcano (director) is the assistant professor of theatre dance and the assistant dean for student affairs and entrepreneurial studies at the UNCSA School of Drama. She brings a personal and individual approach to teaching dance to actors, offering tools, guidance and support. After dancing with both The Martha Graham Dance Company and The Alvin Alley American Dance Theatre for the first six years of her career, Marcano spent the next seventeen years on Broadway in hits like “Fosse” (1st national tour); Disney’s “Aida;” “Sweet Charity;” “Motown;” and originated the role of Squeak in Oprah Winfrey’s “The Color Purple” (2005). In 2008, Marcano received a Commendation from the City of New York for her lasting contributions to both the Caribbean American community and New York City. She went on to earn her MBA in Entrepreneurship from Kenney College and launched The Artistry Center in 2016 to help performing artists with artistic and entrepreneurial wellness.

Scott Zigler (director). Broadway: "The Old Neighborhood" (Booth); Off Broadway: “Ghost Stories: The Shawl and Prairie du Chien,” “The Cherry Orchard,” “Strawberry Fields,” “Sure Thing” (Atlantic Theater Company); “Dust” (Westside Arts); Regional: Productions at Steppenwolf Theater Company, the American Repertory Theater, the McCarter Theater, the Alley Theater, Center Theater Group (Mark Taper Forum and Kirk Douglas Theater), Repertory Theater of St. Louis. Founding Company Member, Atlantic Theater Company.

Jeffrey Saver (music director) is thrilled to be back at UNCSA, reuniting once again with Scott Zigler, Krisha Marcano and Damon Carmona on this fantastic production of “Heathers: The Musical.” Saver composed the musicals “Dodsworth” (starring Hal Linden & Dee Hoty) and “Time After Time” with collaborator Stephen Cole. He also composed music for the documentary film “In My Hands” (directed/produced by Ann Reinking). He has written and arranged special material for: Chita Rivera, Christine Baranski, Rosie O’Donnell, Dorothy Loudon, Joel Grey, Bebe Neuwirth and many others.

Saver also served as musical supervisor of a benefit concert for The Actor's Fund of “A Wonderful Life” (starring Brian Stokes Mitchell, Judy Kuhn and David Hyde-Pierce). Cast albums include: “Time After Time/Dodsworth – New Songs from New Musicals” (featuring Judy Blazer, Christian Borle, Liz Callaway and Walter Charles, available on Original Cast Records OC 6128); “Chicago” (both Broadway & Soundtrack); “Kiss of the Spider Woman” (with Vanessa Williams); “Lucky Stiff.”

He is a graduate of the Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, where he subsequently taught in the musical theatre department. Additionally, Saver taught at Point Park University as a music director and teaching artist-in-residence. Saver is honored to be a founding member of NewArts (formerly the 12/14 Foundation) in Newtown, CT where he music directed “From Broadway With Love: A Benefit Concert For Sandy Hook” (broadcast on PBS), “Seussical,” the world premiere of “A Rockin’ Midsummer Night’s Dream,” “Liberty Smith,” “School Of Rock,” “The Wizard Of Oz” and “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.” In 2018, Saver music directed a production of “Grand Hotel” for Encores at City Center. During that season he conducted a production of “next to normal” at UNCSA in Winston-Salem, NC., and a production of “42nd Street” at Southern Utah University. During the summer of 2019, he music directed “Freaky Friday” at North Shore Music Theatre. Most recently, he music directed “The Threepenny Opera” at UC Davis in Davis, CA where he was the Granada Artist-in-Residence. In spring 2020, he music directed a concert of Sheldon Harnick’s work (featuring Sheldon Harnick, Rebecca Luker, Liz Callaway and Karen Ziemba). Upcoming are productions of “Candide” which he will conduct at Skylight Music Theatre in Milwaukee, WI, and “A Chorus Line” in Atlanta, GA, reuniting him with director (and original cast member) Baayork Lee.

This production of “Heathers, The Musical” is dedicated to Krisha Marcano’s knee.

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Stevens Center

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