



MERCER UNIVERSITY THEATRE PRESENTS

# MERCER HAUNTS

PART OF MERCER'S GOTHIC FESTIVAL

OCT 27-29 & NOV 12, 2022 7:30PM  
TATTNALL SQUARE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

# MERCER HAUNTS TEAM

## CAST

Oscar Imira Ackerson  
(Sisters Shadow Play director)

The Void Z Smith  
Kiara Randall  
Luke Walker

Ghost Team Madison Langton  
(Ghost team director)  
Mo Baldwin  
Shayla Swanson  
Jacob Brackett

Spirit Team Kate Zeumer  
Caylyn Kelly  
(Spirit Team director)  
Derrick Buie  
(Preshow director)

Suicide Sister 1 Janhavi Kulkarni  
(Spirit Team director)

Suicide Sister 2 Taylor Goodly

Puppet Master Jasmine Nobles  
(Menni shadow play director)

Fortune Teller Luke Walker  
/ Shadow Play Team

Menni Gen Haskins  
/Shadow Play Team

Creature 1 Nyah Morah  
/Shadow Play Team

Creature 2 Lauryn Green  
/Shadow Play Team

Woman in White Sami Shadoff

Voice of Toby Lola Rollins

Videographer Gerell Glenn

## CREW

Director Scot Mann

Technical Director James Ogden

/ Scenic Designer

Stage Manager Tori Kershaw  
(fortune teller director)

Assistant Stage Manager Hannah Gray

Costume Designer Shelley Kuhlen

/Costume Shop Supervisor

Sound Designer Hillary Kwarteng

Light Designer Evie Hufstetler

Props Designer Maddy Jakubowski

Assistant Props Anna Stephens

House Manager Olivia Scott

Videographer Gerell Glen

/ Video Editor

Run Crew Phoebe Monsour  
(Woman in White director)

/ Live Special Effects

Run Crew / Tamilore Dairo

Live Special Effects

/ Video Assistant

Light Board Operator Johanna Rodenbeck

Sound Board Operator Eva Chidi-Maha

Specialty Make Up Keridah Bouadou

Void Director Gen Haskins

Administrative Specialist Aniyah Parham

Specialty Make-Up Penni Hartley

Consultant Jared Watson

Shadow Puppet Zach Broome

Consultant

Video Consultant Stephanie Busing

General Technician Frani Rollins

*Special thanks to Kyung-A Yoo*



**Caylyn Kelly** (Sam, Spirit Team Member/Spirit Team Director) is a sophomore Theatre and Communications double major at Mercer University. You may have seen her as Lynn in "A Happy Family" from "Premier Performances", or last year in the role of Father in "Eurydice", or Ophelia in "Hamlet 2020". Caylyn also participates in tv/film projects! She would like to thank her friends and family, and hopes you enjoy the chills and thrills of "Mercer Haunts"!



**Derrick Buie** (Jalen, Spirit Team Member/Preshow Director) is a senior Biology and Theatre double major at Mercer University. You may have seen him most recently in Mercer's "Premiere Performances", Derrick would like to thank his friends, family, and fellow cast mates for all the love and support through this final year at Mercer!



**Genevieve Haskins** (Menni/Shadow Player/Makeup Artist) is a Holistic Child major with a Theatre minor. Her previous Mercer Theatre credits include Lord of the Underworld in "Eurydice" and Rosencrantz in "Hamlet 2020". She is very excited to share these original works with you, and thanks her professors and her father for supporting her.



**Gerell Glenn** (Videographer and Video Editor) is a freshman Creative Writing and Theatre double major at Mercer University. He has worked on various film and theatre performances in high school and is excited to bring his capabilities to Mercer. Gerell would like to thank his parents Nikisia and Gerald Glenn for their dedication and support.



**Imira Ackerson** (Oscar/Sisters Shadow Play Director) is a senior Psychology major and Theatre minor here at Mercer University. She is no stranger to performing, as this is her 6th production for Mercer's Theater. Imira will be working on stage and behind the scenes by playing the role of Oscar and directing "The Sister's Shadow Play".



**Jacob Brackett** (Derrick, Ghost Team Member) is a junior student, who is majoring in Psychology and minoring in Theatre at Mercer University. This is his fifth production with Mercer theatre, previously appearing in "Z4", "The Phoenix Project", "The Goat (Or, 'Who Is Sylvia?')", "Eurydice", and "Premiere Performances." Jacob would like to thank everyone involved in this production in all they've done, and everyone for attending!



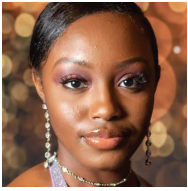
**Janhavi Kulkarni** (Mercy the Sorority Sister/Spirit Team Director) is a sophomore Psychology and International Business Major. She has previously been a part of Mercer Theater productions, such as "Hamlet 2020" and "Eurydice". She has enjoyed working on this production of "Mercer Haunts" immensely, both as a director and actor. And she looks forward to working on many more! Janhavi would like to thank the incredibly talented cast and crew for their hard work, and she is very excited for everyone to see the show!



**Jasmine Nobles** (Puppet Master/Menni Shadow Play Director) is a junior Theater major, Education minor at Mercer University. She has been involved in several productions with the department. She is excited to be a part of the show! She would like to thank her friends and family for their support, the cast and crew for their hard work, and she hopes all the guests enjoy the show.



**Kate Zeumer** (Kimberly, Spirit Team Member) is a sophomore English major and Theatre minor. She has previously appeared in "Eurydice" as Gravestone and worked on wardrobe for the "Premiere Performances". She would like to thank the cast and crew for their dedication in making this fantastic production come to life!



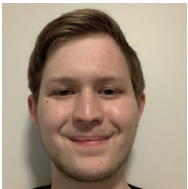
**Kiara Randall** (The Void) is a freshman Neuroscience major at Mercer University. She has enjoyed working on this play and looks forward to future productions with Mercer Players. Kiara would like to thank her family, church members and friends.



**Lauryn Green** (Creature 2/Shadow Player) is a junior Media Studies major at Mercer University. She has been involved with many theater projects during her time at Mercer and is excited to be in this production. She would like to thank the cast and crew for all their hard work.



**Lola Rollins** (Voice of Toby) is excited for this to be her first production with Mercer Theatre. As a literal life-long fan of the program, Lola jumped on the opportunity to support this show even though she is too young to attend. She wants to thank the Mercer Theatre students who always make her feel part of the program when she visits, the dragons on the conference table for always being ready to play, and the faculty and staff who make sure her visits are always fun and candy-filled.



**Luke Walker** (Fortune Teller/Shadow Player/The Void) is a junior Psychology major and creative writing minor at Mercer University. He was in Mercer's production of "Hamlet 2020" as King Claudius and looks forward to being a part of this show and more shows to come. Luke would like to thank his family, friends, and cast mates for their support.



**Madison Langton** (Nevaeh, Ghost Team Member/Ghost Team Director) is a sophomore International Business Major. She is excited to be a part of this show not only as an actress, but as a director for Ghost Team. She wants to thank all the cast & crew for their amazing work and her family for all their support!



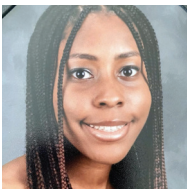
**Mo Baldwin** (Marcus, Ghost Team Member) is a senior Technical Communication major at Mercer University. He has really enjoyed working on this show with the Mercer Players. Mo would like to thank their friends, family, and fellow cast and crew for all their support.



**Nyah Morah** (Creature 1/Shadow Player) is a sophomore double majoring in Psychology and Theatre at Mercer University. Throughout their acting career, they have been in various productions, including two Mercer Player productions—"Hamlet 2020" and "Pinocchio: The Commedia Dell'Arte". They are extremely excited to participate in "Mercer Haunts" with such a talented cast and crew and want to thank the director, the crew, and cast for all their hard work and hope that you enjoy the thrilling show!



**Samantha Shadoff** (Woman in White) is a sophomore Marketing major with minors in economics and theatre. This is her fourth time working on a show for Mercer theater, but she has done work with sound for past Mercer productions and is looking forward to being on the other side of the process again. She would like to thank her friends and family for supporting her and always being so amazing. She is so excited for you to see the show and hopes you enjoy!



**Shayla Swanson** (Kourtne, Ghost Team Member) is a sophomore Marketing major at Mercer University. She has worked on various Mercer Theater productions throughout her time at Mercer and is excited to be a part of this show. She would like to thank the cast and crew for all their hard work. She hopes everyone enjoys the show!



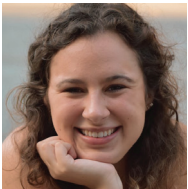
**Taylor Goodly** (Rosemary the Sorority Sister) – is a sophomore majoring in Psychology and minoring in Theatre at Mercer University. She has worked on “Hamlet 2020”, a previous Mercer Theatre production. Taylor has also been a part of the props crew for “Eurydice” and wardrobe for “Premiere Performances”. She is very excited to be a part of this production!



**Zhauni Smith** (The Void) is a senior Health Sciences major at Mercer University. Her involvement with Mercer Players includes roles in “The Phoenix Project”, “The Commedia Pinocchio” and “Eurydice”. Z would like to thank her cast, crew, and family for putting up with her antics and supporting her art all through college. She would not be the woman and actor she is today without all of their love and support.



**Aniyah Parham** (The Void Director) is a junior Theater and Africana Studies double major at Mercer University. She has worked on various Mercer Theater productions throughout her time at Mercer and is excited to be a part of this show. She would like to thank the cast and crew for all of their hard work.



**Anna Stephens** (Assistant Props Designer) is a junior Theatre major and Marketing and Entrepreneurship minor. You have seen Anna’s props before in “The Goat (Or, ‘Who Is Sylvia?’)”. That goat leg is her pride and joy. Anna is excited to be on props team again, and she hopes you enjoy the show! Anna would like to thank her family for believing in her and for supporting her always!



**Eva Chidi-Maha** (Sound Board Operator) is sophomore Psychology and Spanish double major at Mercer University. This is her second show with Mercer, and she is excited about her role because she can help with the production during all the show times! She hopes to do more in theater in the future.



**Evie Hufstetler** (Light Designer) is a junior double majoring in Music and Theater with a minor in Psychology. She has previously performed in Mercer Player’s “Cabaret” and “Premiere Performances”. She also assisted with lighting design in both the “Cabaret” and “Eurydice”.



**Frani Rollins** (General Technician) is an Associate Professor of Design and Technology with the Mercer University Theatre program. She would like to thank the Mercer Players, the Mercer Theater Program, and her family for being awesome, supportive, and inspiring people.



**Hannah Gray** (Assistant Stage Manager) is a sophomore pursuing an early education degree with a Spanish minor at Mercer University. She has almost a dozen years of theater experience onstage and behind it and her most significant accomplishment was serving as the stage manager on a Strand Theater Production. She was crew member in several Mercer Player productions and is proud to add the “Mercer Haunts” to that list.



**Hillary Kwarteng** (Sound Designer) is a junior Psychology and Art major at Mercer University. During her time with the theater, she has worked on shows such as “The Commedia Pinocchio”, “The Goat (Or, ‘Who Is Sylvia?’)”, “Eurydice”, and “Premier Performances”! She hopes you enjoy the show!



**James Ogden** (Technical Director/Scenic Designer) is a member of the Mercer Theatre faculty. They would like to thank the cast, crew, and student workers for their time and skill on this project.



**Jared Watson** (Specialty Make-Up Consultant) is a BFA graduate in costume design from Valdosta State University. This is his first time working with Mercer University and hopes to continue that relationship in the future.



**Johanna Rodenbeck** (Light Board Operator) is a junior Computer Engineering major at Mercer University. She has enjoyed working on this play and looks forward to future productions with Mercer Players.



**Keridah Bouadou** (Makeup Artist) is a sophomore Global Health Studies Major. This is her second theater production, and she is so excited to participate. She would like to thank the cast and crew for all of their hard work.



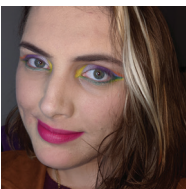
**Maddy Jakubowski** (Prop Designer) is a second year Criminal Justice and Psychology double major. Despite her busy schedule she has still found time to do what she loves, theater. She also loves to do art in her free time, specifically drawing and painting. She is super happy that she got to bring two of her hobbies together in her role as prop designer in this production.



**Olivia Scott** (Front of House Manager) is a sophomore Journalism major and Political Science and Sociology minor at Mercer University. She has worked on various Mercer Theater productions throughout her time at Mercer and is excited to be a part of this show. This is her first ever tech position in Mercer Theatre.



**Penni Hartley** (Administrative Assistant/Poster Art) is happy to be back home at Mercer Theatre after a 15-year hiatus to work across the quad. She is a Mercer Alumni with a B.A. in Art and Photography and has returned to serve as Coordinator for the Tattnell Square Center for the Arts, Art and Math Departments, and the McEachern Gallery. She is very excited to have the opportunity to once again put on a creative hat and to be a part of such a wonderful production.



**Phoebe Monsour** (Run Crew/Live Special Effects/Woman in White Director) is a Journalism major at Mercer University. This is their first time working with Mercer Players. They would like to thank the cast and crew for working to create this production.



**Scot Mann** (Director) is the Director of the Mercer Theatre Program and a Fight Master with the Society of American Fight Directors. He would like to thank the actors for their dedication and commitment to this project and the entire Mercer Theatre family for their support on this project.



**Shelley Kuhlen** (Costume Director/Costume Shop Supervisor) has been Mercer Theatre's Costume Director for 27 seasons. She designs the costumes and manages the costume shop as well. She wants to thank her family for their love and understanding as they've supported her through many crazy endeavors. She also thanks her costume shop crew for their countless hours of hard work and for their encouragement, love and laughter.



**Tamilore Dairo** (Run Crew/Live Special Effects) is a freshman Biomedical Engineering major at Mercer University. She is excited to take part in her first Mercer Theater production. She has enjoyed working on this play and looks forward to future productions with Mercer Players. She would like to thank the cast and crew for their support.



**Taylor Shaw** (Run Crew/Live Special Effects/Video Assistant) is a sophomore Civil Engineering major and Theatre minor at Mercer University. She has done tech for several of Mercer's productions and looks forward to future ones with Mercer Players. She hopes you enjoy the show and thanks everyone involved for their hard work!



**Tori Kershaw** (Stage Manager/Fortune Teller Director) is a sophomore Elementary Education and Theatre double major at Mercer University. She has been a part of 24 theatre productions (on and off-stage), and has stage managed 16 of them. Tori has enjoyed working on Mercer's "Hamlet 2020", "The Goat (Or, 'Who Is Sylvia?')", "Eurydice", "Premiere Performances", and "Mercer Haunts", and looks forward to future productions with Mercer Players. Tori would like to thank her family, Rob Fields, and Scot Mann for their continued support.



**Zach Broome** (Shadow Puppet Consultant) is an award-winning sculptor, painter, scenic designer, and puppet artist. An alumnus of Mercer University, Zach graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BA in Theatre and Art. He later earned both a Master of Fine Arts in Puppetry and a Master of Fine Arts in Scenic Design from the University of Connecticut. In 2022, his work went international when he designed mechanisms and fabricated puppets for Hamid Rahmanian's Song of the North— a large-scale puppet production that toured Europe, North American, and South America. Zach currently resides in the greater Philadelphia area.