

**Jo Anna Evans ~ Mom**

Jo Anna has long been a part of the theater “scene” here in South Valley. She holds Masters degrees in Theater and Psychology and has been acting and directing shows for decades. She is a Therapist by day and a theater nerd by night. She is also happy to be back in theater after being on hiatus for the last 2 years. Jo Anna has played too many parts to list but some of her favorite parts were “Mother Superior” in *Nunsense*, “Miss Hannigan” in *Annie*, “Ouiser Boudreaux” in *Steel Magnolias* and “Dolly Levi” in multiple productions of *Hello Dolly*. She has directed *Oliver* and *Once Upon A Mattress* (among other shows) for SVCT and several shows for Limelight: *Barefoot In The Park*, *The Velocity Of Autumn* and *The 39 Steps* were her favorites. She would like to thank her patient and understanding husband, Ed, for letting her follow her passion and putting up with her schedule. She hopes you enjoy the show!

**Caitlin Jachimowics ~ Jill**

Caitlin is a local attorney, lecturer at Santa Clara Law, and Morgan Hill City Treasurer. You may have most recently seen Caitlin on stage as a Councilmember in the Morgan Hill Council Chambers, but many moons before that you may have caught her turn in Morgan Hill as “Kate” in *Taming of the Shrew*, or the Scarecrow in *Wizard of Oz*. She would like to thank Suzi and Bill for inspiring her to get back on stage, Allie and cast for being new-found family, Amy and Josh for running lines, Cass for her cheerleading, her real-life in-laws for their sense of humor, and her family and friends for their support. You know who you are. She would like to especially thank her Mom, Josh, Penelope, and Griffin for surviving nights without her and helping her find joy inside the home and out.

**Justin Kerekes ~ Carl**

Justin is welcoming back theater with his first performance at Limelight. Prior to the pandemic, some of his favorite theater roles included “Freddy Eynsford-Hill” in *My Fair Lady* (WCT), “Robby Hart” in *The Wedding Singer* (RCCT), “Jack” in *Into the Woods* (PSP), and “Charlie Brown” in *You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown* (PSP). He is grateful for the support from all of his friends, family, and coworkers.

**Peter Mandel ~ Uncle Bob**

Peter is delighted to again be on the Limelight stage. It’s been great working with this talented cast and staff to bring this wonderful holiday show to the South Valley. Peter most recently performed in *Oslo* with the Los Altos Stage Company. Previously he’s been seen in *1776* “John Adams”, *The Odd Couple* “Murray”, *It’s Only A Play* “James Wicker”, as well as *Act One* “Moss Hart”, *God of Carnage* “Alan Raleigh”, *The Producers* “Max Bialystock”, *Guys and Dolls* “Nathan Detroit”, *Miracle on 34th Street* “Fred Gailey”, *Gypsy* “Herbie”, and *Sylvia* “Tom/Phyllis/Leslie”, among many wonderful roles in various theater groups in the area.

**Karyn Morton ~ Stacy**

Karyn is excited to return to the stage after a seven year hiatus. Previous credits include *A Miracle on 34th Street* (Coastal Rep) and *Pippin* (Sunnyvale Community Players). Karyn is usually seen backstage in various roles at TheatreWorks or in the Director's chair. She would like to thank her mother for her continuous support and Allie for this joyful opportunity.

**Marilyn Pifer ~ Grandma**

Marilyn is overjoyed to make her Limelight debut as the inappropriate matriarch of this nice family. Previous eccentric and/or offensive roles include “Cassandra” in *Vanya & Sonia & Masha & Spike*, “Mary Meekly” in *Unnecessary Farce*, “Miss Minchin” in *A Little Princess*, and the title role in *DMV Tyrant*. She has also recently appeared on SVCT’s Playhouse stage in *1776* and *Gypsy*. Marilyn thanks the production team for this opportunity to return to the stage, her theater family for a being such great colleagues, her real-life family for tolerance of the rehearsal schedule, and the terrific audiences for respecting COVID restrictions.

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Jerry Rosas ~ Michael

Jerry is so very happy to return to the stage after this long imposed hiatus and is so glad it is with this cast and staff who have made the return to theater so much fun and exciting.

Jerry's past credits include *Lend Me A Tenor* "Max" and *Boeing, Boeing* "Robert Lambert" with Limelight, *Jesus Christ Superstar* "Judas", *A Chorus Line* "Greg", *Pippin* "Leading Player" at SCP; *White Christmas* "Phil Davis", *A Chorus Line* "Paul San Marco", *Catch Me If You Can*

"Det. Carl Hanratty" and *Crazy For You* "Bobby Child" at WVLO Musical Theater; the Bay Area premier of *Boy From Oz* "Chris Bell" and *Evita* "Che" at Gavilan College; *Little Shop of Horrors* "Ronette" and *Funny Thing Happened...Forum* "Hysterium" at Pintello Comedy Theater.

Massive thank you to the cast and staff that helped manage the insanity of returning to theatrical life after nearly 2 years of limited gatherings, to the friends and family that don't get upset when I say "I can't. I have rehearsal." and most importantly to YOU for supporting live local theatre! We can't wait to make you smile! www.jerryrosas.com

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Allie Bailey ~ Director

Allie is delighted to be making her Limelight Actors Theatre debut as the director of *A Nice Family Christmas*. Allie is a local bay area theater director, production manager, teaching artist, and production stage manager who specializes in classical and musical theatre, opera, ballet, and

modern dance. Favorite direction credits include *Deathtrap* (Coastal Rep), *The Mercy Seat*, *Miracle on 34th Street*, *A Live Musical Radio Play* and *Into the Woods* (Los Altos Stage Company), *A Public Reading of An Unproduced Screenplay About the Death of Walt Disney* (Palo Alto Players), *Into the Woods* (Pacifica Spindrift Players), and *Pippin* (Sunnyvale Community Players). Additional favorite theater credits include *Into the Woods*, *Rent* (Cabrillo Stage), *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Hillbarn Theatre), *The Nutcracker* (Bay Pointe Ballet), *Roots and Wings* (sjDANCEco), *Cabaret* (Sunnyvale Community Players), *Sir John in Love* (Bronx Opera), *La bohème*, *The Magic Flute*, *Carmen*, *Idomeneo* (Opera San Jose), and *A Chorus Line*, *The Marvelous Wonderettes*, *The Music Man* (Broadway by the Bay).



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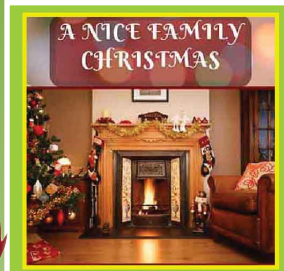
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LIMELIGHT BY SVCT PRESENTS A Nice Family Christmas



LIMELIGHT 2021-2022

By SVCT in Gilroy



November 28 - December 20, 2021



May 20 - June 11, 2022

by Phil Olson

Allie Bailey
Director

Justin Kerekes
Carl

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...on behalf of the SVCT Board of Directors

Welcome to Limelight by SVCT! We were thrilled with our community's embrace of our first production since the shutdown, selling out

every performance of *Ripcord*. Thank you all for your support! South Valley Civic Theatre is pleased to maintain the momentum with our next Limelight show, *A Nice Family Christmas*. This is a wonderful, warm, comedy to kick off the holiday season. You should know that while we have been preparing this show, we have also begun work on our next show, the classic musical, *Cabaret*, due to open on March 4th. This will be our first show in two years at the Morgan Hill Playhouse! We feel strongly that the South County is enriched by the performing arts and are proud of being a key resource to our community for over 50 years. We hope you enjoy *A Nice Family Christmas* today, and will look forward to seeing you at *Cabaret* in March.

Peter Mandel, *Limelight Executive Director*



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