

Greetings All,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to another TESIS Summer Programs Arts Festival. This year, we've focused on a central theme in our arts programming, TAKING FLIGHT. In considering an official theme for the first time, I was inspired by our students, many of whom fly from all over the world to create together here in beautiful Switzerland. In addition to their many travels, our students are always taking new risks, stretching themselves, and spreading their proverbial wings in hopes of soaring to new educational and inspirational heights, achieving new levels of excellence they have yet to experience.

I have the unique opportunity to watch these students evolve as young artists in such a small time span, and that growth is both remarkable and inspiring.

In every space song they sing, bird dance they help create, or new language they learn and perform in, our students are constantly soaring beyond their own expectations. In such a short time, they've prepared original concerts, learned and applied new talents, and produced full-fledged visual artworks and musical productions. Here at TESIS, we aim to provide a safe and encouraging environment for our artists to create and experiment within, and this summer is yet another great example of these brilliant students learning to fly with just a little push in the right direction.

It is our hope here at TESIS that you, students and families, continue to spread your wings in order to discover new adventures, exciting opportunities, and artistic experiences in your everyday lives.

As we take flight together this summer and beyond, I hope you will connect the themes in these shows and productions as encouragement that we all are capable of excellence if only we dare to fly.

With Gratitude,

Mr. Mikey
Michael Rosenbaum
Summer Director of
the Performing Arts, TESIS

"Learning never exhausts the mind."

– Leonardo da Vinci



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TESIS CDE MUSICAL THEATER PRESENTS *BUZZWORTHY*



PALMER CULTURAL CENTER
AUGUST 11, 2023

BUZZWORTHY

Libretto and Lyrics by Stephanie Figer

Music & Lyrics by TJ Liquori and Mikey Rosenbaum

Additional Music by Ajay Raghuraman

SYNOPSIS

Kids and Bumblebees just don't mix! In a playground paradise, each group stakes their rights to the territory. But what will happen if Queen Beatrice and Colleen can't help their troops find a way to co-exist with the other?

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Bumblebees and kids absolutely mix! Stepping into a different perspective can be a powerful lesson as it often fosters understanding and teamwork. Whether it is looking through the eyes of a big creature, or learning to have empathy for a tiny insect, it is important to look closely at the world around us and learn how we impact one another. These young artists have modeled this sentiment as they have worked together over the past three weeks to create this fantastic show! We are so proud of all their hard work and we hope you enjoy *Buzzworthy* the musical!

SONG/SCENE LIST (in order)

Prologue:	"Playground Paradise"	Full Company
Scene 1:	"The Queen Will Know"	Full Company
Scene 2:	"Buzzworthy"	Queen Bea, Eugene, Ensemble
Scene 3:	"Hold Your Hive"	Bumblebee Ensemble
Scene 5:	"Closer"	Queen Bea and Eugene
Scene 6:	"Closer" (Reprise)	Full Company

CAST (in alphabetical order)

ALEX	Davis (Kevin) Murphy (USA)
AURA	Venus Glasson (Albania)
AYA	Bianca Amoretti (Italy)
COBBEE	Deniz Yildiz Gelisen (USA)
EUGENE	Brixton Robson (New Zealand)
ISA	Noura Malik (United Kingdom)
KERBEE	Coco (Clothilde) Jansen (United States)
LUNA	Mila Calvo (Italy)
MAX	Maria Casamassima (Italy)
MOBBEE	Ksenia Voznesenskaia (Russian Federation)
MR. SAGE	Alexen Rzasa (Germany)
NOVA	Juju (Al Johara) Al Zamil (Saudi Arabia)
QUEEN BEATRICE	Victoria Zivotska (Czech Republic)
RAKA	Beatrice Di Benedetto (Italy)
RILEY	Tamiko Sekiya (Japan)
SAM	Liam Barrett Abukhalaf (USA)
TAYLOR	Tingting Li (China)
TOBBEE	Sophie Chang (USA)

PRODUCTION TEAM

Director	Emily Schechter
Choreographer	Megan Radigan
Music Director	Ajay Raghuraman
Accompanist	Mark T Evans
Stage Manager	Orla Strachan
Sets	Mikey Rosenbaum
Costumes	Rachel Stephens
Lighting Design	Luca Asioli
Props Design	Rachel Stephens
Musical Theater Coordinator	Sandra Preciado
Performing Arts Director	Mikey Rosenbaum
Program Design	Jacopo Riva