


West Linn High School Theater Arts Presents: The Radio Plays



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number**

# The Hitchhiker



**Both Written by Lucille Fletcher**

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# THE RADIO PLAYS

“MAN IN BLACK” HOST.....Mr. Neuman

“RADIO HALL” VOCALISTS.....Allie Evans\*  
Brigitte Chenevert\* Payton Henry

## *Sorry, Wrong Number*

MRS. STEVENSON.....Kate McLellan

1st OPERATOR.....Parrish Noce\*

2nd MAN (“George”)/YOUNG OFFICER.....Zach Socherman

1st MAN/WESTERN UNION.....Holden Peterson

CHIEF OPERATOR.....Addison Witt\*

2nd/4th OPERATOR.....Malaika Ruirie

3rd/5th OPERATOR.....Sophia Burden

INFORMATION.....Samantha Kimpel\*

HOSPITAL RECEPTIONIST.....Brett Mason\*

SERGEANT DUFFY.....Aymeric Burtthey

## *The Hitchhiker*

RONALD ADAMS.....Eric McDevitt\*

MRS. ADAMS/ THE STOREKEEPER’S MOTHER.....Brigitte Chenevert\*

THE HITCHHIKER.....Zach Socherman

GAS STATION ATTENDANT.....Masha Galtseva

THE STOREKEEPER.....Holden Peterson

WOMAN.....Ainslie O’Connor\*

TELEPHONE OPERATOR/ NEW YORK OPERATOR/

ALBUQUERQUE OPERATOR.....Kaelin Kehm\*

LONG DISTANCE OPERATOR.....Ellie Seward\*

MRS. WHITNEY.....Izzy Englund\*

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# A BRIEF HISTORY OF RADIO SHOWS

The Golden Age of Radio began in the 1920s and lasted until the creation of television in the 1950s. This era brought many new forms of entertainment, including music, talk shows, play-by-play sports, and most notably radio shows.



Radio shows allowed for a new way of experiencing theatre. Without the visual effects that most productions rely on, it highlights the importance of sound in expressing a story.

The first play written specifically for the radio was Richard Hughes *A Comedy of Danger*, airing in 1924.



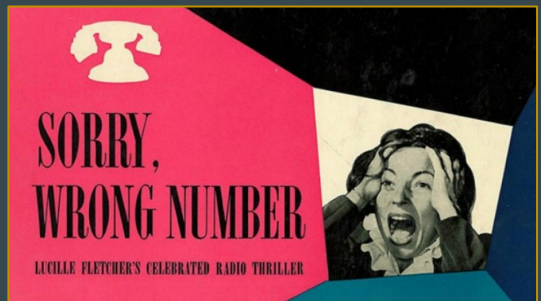
# Sorry, Wrong Number

This popular radio show first aired in 1943, starring Agnes Moorehead. She performed several later productions of the play,



The play was later adapted into a film in 1948, and starred Barbara Stanwyck. She went on to perform the original radio play in 1952.

A 1959 version of *Sorry, Wrong Number* produced for the CBS radio series *Suspense* received a 1960 Edgar Award for Best Radio Drama.



# The Hitchhiker



*The Hitchhiker* was first broadcasted in 1941 with the Orson Welles Show on CBS Radio.

The play was later adapted into a notable episode of television series *The Twilight Zone* in 1960, starring Kate Jackson.



# ACTORS BIOGRAPHIES

## *Sophia Burden*

Sophia Burden is a freshman at WLHS. She was previously in a performance of “High School Musical: The Musical” and has been playing piano for 8 years. Sophia loves singing, acting, and reading. She hopes to be a producer/director/actor in the future.

## *Aymeric Burtney*

Aymeric Burtney is a Senior at WLHS and is an inducted member of Thespian troupe 1915. Aymeric is a member of WLHS Symphonic choir, as well as the A Cappella choir, Fresh Pitch. He was last seen on stage as an ensemble member in *Chicago*. Aymeric has also performed in *The 25th annual Putnam county spelling bee*, *Legally Blonde*, and *Beauty and the Beast*. He was also a state qualifier for acting in the 2020 Regional Thespian Competition. Aymeric studies piano in his spare time, and hopes to pursue performing in college.

## *Brigitte Chenevert*

Brigitte Chenevert is a senior at WLHS and co-president of Thespian Troupe 1915. She is currently in the A Cappella Choir, Fresh Pitch and is president of the Symphonic Choir. Brigitte portrayed Velma Kelly in the WLHS production of *Chicago* and performed in the *Den Improv Troupe 2018 & 2019*, *Shorts 2018*, *Shorts 2019*, *24-Hour Theatre 2018*, and *Grease*. Brigitte also played Marcy Park in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* at WLHS and Belle in the 2016 Middle School Musical production of *Beauty and the Beast*. She studies voice with Alishia Garcia and was selected to perform in the ACDA National Honor Choir 2019 in Kansas City, Missouri. She is excited to pursue the performing arts all she can for her last year at West Linn High School.

## *Masha Galtseva*

Masha Galtseva is a sophomore at West Linn High School and has been doing acting for 2 years. She has last been seen on stage as the daughter, reporter, and singer for the production of “These Shining Lives.” She has also been in the production of “High School Musical” and has designed a poster for West Linn’s “Robinhood.” She hopes to be able to continue acting throughout the rest of her high school years.



### *Kaelin Kehm*

Kaelin Kehm, a junior and a member of International Thespian Troupe 1915, has studied Acting at West Linn High School for three years, plus attended Acting Regionals for two years. Kaelin was last seen on screen as Ms. Margaret in this year's virtual production of "Lafayette #1". Previously, Kaelin performed in "Shorts 21", "Shorts 20", "James and the Giant Peach", "Beauty and the Beast", and "A Series of Short Skits". Kaelin also enjoys creative writing and hopes to be a screenwriter and actor in the future.

### *Brett Mason*

Brett Mason, a senior at West Linn High School has been studying acting and vocal music for three years through the school. She was a member of the Symphonic Choir for 3 years and she is very excited to be back on the West Linn stage, even if it's in a virtual manner. Previously, Brett has performed in "Beauty and the Beast," "High School Musical: The Production," "Chicago," Shorts 19, and 20," "Robin Hood" and "Legally Blonde." She was last seen in "Virtual Shorts '21" as Carol. Brett is currently a member of Van De Veere Productions and studies voice with Erin McCarthy. She hopes to be involved in as many productions as possible this year.

### *Eric McDevitt*

Eric is a Senior at West Linn High School. He played the role of Jack in *The Okay Kids* his freshman year and was also a part of Shorts his sophomore year. Eric has taken Acting I II and III and is taking Directing For Stage later this year. He most recently played the role of Mr. Reed in *These Shining Lives* as a part of the one-act plays last year. Eric is extremely excited to be a part of the Radio Plays as a member of the Hitchhiker cast.

### *Parrish Noce*

Parrish Noce, a senior and member of Thespian Troupe 1915, has been actively involved in the WLHS theatre department since her freshman year. Previously, she performed in last year's virtual *Shorts 21*, as Wabbit Woman and *Shorts 20*, as Jane. Parrish has taken Acting I and Acting II at WLHS and is currently a member of both West Linn's advanced choirs, Symphonic Choir and Fresh Pitch. *Sorry, Wrong Number* will be her fifth production at WLHS and she hopes you enjoy the final product as much as she has enjoyed the process!

*Malaika Ruirie*

Malaika Ruirie is a freshman at WLHS, and someone new to Oregon. She's relatively new to the arts, having done choir for 2 years, and starting theatre in 8th grade. Her first and most recent show was a musical, *Alice in Wonderland Jr.* Malaika has also been working on her piano skills, and she's played for almost a year. She aims to be involved in West Linn High theatre program throughout high school.

*Ellie Seward*

Ellie Seward, a junior and current member of Thespian Troupe 1915, has been in three West Linn High School productions including *The Unraveling*, *Chicago*, and now *The Hitchhiker*. Other shows she has been in include *A Midsummer's Night's Dream*, *Sleeping Beauty*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, and *Tuck Everlasting*. Ellie is also involved in Choir and enjoys making music in her free time. She plans to participate in many more West Linn High School productions in the future!

*Zach Socherman*

Zach is a senior at West Linn High School and a relatively experienced actor. Zach has been seen onstage as Manager in *The Trial*, as Mr. Grossman in *These Shining Lives* and as a member of the Den improv troupe. Zach has taken acting I, II, and III. Zach is very excited to be in this production.



### *Ainslie O'Connor*

Ainslie is a junior at West Linn High School and a member of Thespian Troupe 1915. Ainslie has a strong background in competitive dance and has won several national titles in musical theater, contemporary and jazz categories. At WLHS, she performed in *Shorts 20* and *21*. She participated with “The Den” Improv troupe the past two years, and loved every minute of it! She is currently having a great time navigating the world of virtual acting and she is grateful for the opportunity. She is looking forward to taking Acting 3 and delving into the magical world of tech theater later this year.

### *Addison Witt*

Addison is a junior this year at West Linn high school and transferred from Arizona the year before. Last year she played Liz in the musical “Chicago”. Before “Chicago” she played the Queen in “Cinderella”, Margot in “Legally Blonde”, she was also in the ensemble for “Mamma Mia” and “Once on this Island”. She has done Choir since third grade and has been in musicals in and outside of school since she was in sixth grade. Addison also taught herself to play the piano and ukulele. Addison is very excited to be a part of these shows!

### *Allie Evans*

Allie Evans is a Senior at WLHS and is excited to have been able to participate in the online radio plays. She is a part of the Symphonic and A Cappella choir at West Linn and has studied piano for the last 12 years outside of school. She has found a new interest in working backstage, but has started to love being on the other side of the curtain as well. She has teched for *Middle School Musical: High School Musical* and was an actor in ‘*Shorts 20*’, *Shorts 21*’ *Chicago*, and *These Shining lives*. Allie is looking forward to seeing what her last year at West Linn High School has in store.

# For the Production

DIRECTOR.....Steven Beckingham

STAGE MANAGER.....Sarah Tenison\*

SOUND DESIGN FOR *SORRY, WRONG NUMBER*.....Steven Beckingham

SOUND DESIGN FOR *THE HITCHHIKER*.....Gracie Faust & Olivia Dotson

SOUND EDITING & SCORE.....Steven Beckingham

POSTER DESIGN.....Claire Davey & Auburn Todd

PROGRAM DESIGN.....Claire Davey & Sarah Tenison\*

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# SAFE SPACE



*Our theatre is a safe space for all people, no matter their race, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, age, or background.*