

*Modern Languages
Building*

December 1st

Our job is just Sing.

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GradTOUNES:

Welcome To The Real World



**Concert
Program**

Hi Barbie!

Thank you for coming!

Allow me to introduce the Graduate Troupe of Needlessly Educated Singers (GradTONES). Grad Students (nerds) by day- acapella nerds by night. We enjoy singing as much as we enjoy each other's company- and we hope you'll be able to witness that on the stage today. On these next pages, you will be able to get to know the group as well as find the setlist, including soloists and arrangers, as almost all of our songs are self-arranged.

We appreciate you joining us tonight and hope you enjoy the show!

 Barbie ✨

Setlist

Levitate the Night

Artist: Dua Lipa

Soloists: Rachael Hinshaw, Hannah Cary

Arranger: Kai Chan

Beatboxer: Jon Wang

Think About Things

Artist: Dadi Freyr

Soloists: Jon Wang, Tori Valvo, Jamie Lee

Arranger: Emma Faulhaber

What Was I Made For

Artist: Billie Eilish

Soloist: Shannon Hill

Arranger: Jamie Lee

Magic

Artist: Ben Folds

Soloists: Xin Sun, Thalia Newman, Shannon Hill

Arranger: Darren Jesse

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Brief Intermission ✦ ✦ ✦



A Little Party Never Killed Nobody

Artists: Fergie, QTip, GoonRock

Soloists: Hannah Cary, Peter Cattani, Thalia Newman

Arranger: Jamie Lee

Beatboxer: Torben Purz

Zombie

Artist: The Cranberries

Soloist: Rachael Hinshaw

Arranger: Jamie Lee

Sir Duke

Artist: Stevie Wonder

Soloist: Tori Valvo

Arranger: Jamie Lee

Beatboxer: Torben Purz

Motown Medley:

A Tribute to Detroit's Greats

Artists: Bill Withers, Marvin Gaye, Tammi Terrell, The Isley Brothers, Ben E. King, The Temptations, The Jackson 5

Soloists: Ariana Haidari, Torben Purz, Thalia Newman, Eric Boccaccio, Jamie Lee, Rochan Yakkundi

Arranger: Torben Purz

Beatboxer: Jon Wang



Meet The Tones

Julia Boyle

This Barbie is an Aerospace Engineering M.S.

Hometown: Long Island, New York

GradTONES Memory: The potluck/game night we had at Shannon's!

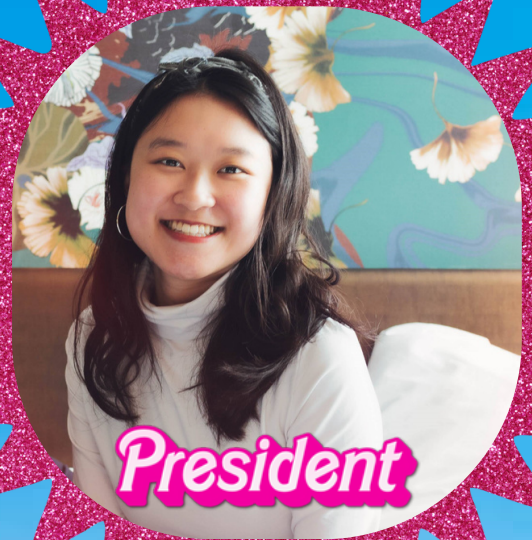


Jamie Lee

This Barbie is a Marketing Ph.D.

Hometown: New Joisey

GradTONES Memory: MD Shannon making a comeback with "act British." :)



President

Xin Sun

This Ken is a Ph.D. in Microbiology & Immunology

Hometown: Taiquan, China

GradTONES Memory: Every single note we sang.



Treasurer

Mannah Cary

This Barbie is a Non-Profit Project Manager (MSW Alum)

Hometown: Simsbury, Connecticut

GradTONES Memory: Our Spring Concert after-party was a blast and we got to sing and dance with some of our members before they graduated.



Tori Valvo

This Alan is a Ph.D. in Cancer Biology, Dual Masters in Bioinformatics

Hometown: O'Fallon, Missouri

GradTONES Memory: Meeting some of my best friends who I am certain will be lifelong friends



Rachael Minshaw

This Barbie is a Ph.D. in Cancer Biology (PIBS)

Hometown: Indianapolis, Indiana

GradTONES Memory: Our first outing to Haymaker! It's been so special to sing with everyone this semester and slowly learn how each member brings something unique and beautiful to the group.





Ariana Haidari

This Barbie is a Ph.D. in Environmental Health Sciences

Hometown: Lebanon, New Hampshire

GradTONES Memory: Last semester's concert!

Peter Cattani

This Ken is a Master's in Electrical Engineering

Hometown: Bloomington, Indiana

GradTONES Memory: Jon shushing me 87 times per bass sectional



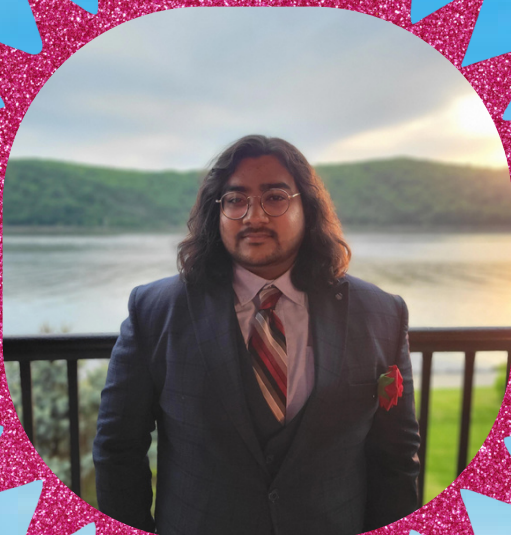
Secretary

Soumik Saha

This Ken is a Cellular and Molecular Biology Ph.D.

Hometown: Dhaka, Bangladesh and New York, NY

GradTONES Memory: Going apple picking!



Thalia Newman

This Barbie is an Immunology Ph.D.
(Biomedical Sciences)

Hometown: Seattle, Washington

GradTONES Memory: My first official rehearsal as a member of the group when we sang through A Little Party and Think About Things. I didn't know the songs yet and I hadn't really done a capella before, but just hearing the group sing together and click was so fun and it made me so excited to be there and learn everything!



Torben Purz

This Ken is an Optics Researcher.
(Physics Ph.D. Alum)

Hometown: Nordhorn, Germany

GradTONES Memory: That feeling when a song first comes together and everybody is feeling the energy and you can't help but smile



Music Director

Jon Wang

This Ken is a Physics Ph.D.

Hometown: The real home is the friends we made along the way

GradTONES Memory: Sasha.





Music Director

Rochan Yakkundi

This Ken is a Master's in
Aerospace Engineering

Hometown: Cupertino, California

GradTONES Memory: The day we started
British accents in Magic

Shannon Hill

This Barbie is a Ph.D. in Space
Physics

Hometown: Massachusetts

GradTONES Memory: Keeping GradTONES
alive through the pandemic through various
online games and a murder mystery party
(stinky men and smelly guys)



Eric Boccaccio

This Ken is a Complex Systems
Masters Industrial and Operations
Engineering

Hometown: West Hartford, Connecticut

GradTONES Memory: Falling out of an
airplane on purpose with Tori and Julia



Social Chair

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