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# SHE KILLS MONSTERS

by  
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Vidisha Dutta\*

First produced in New York City The Flea Theater  
Jim Simpson, Artistic Director; Carol Ostrow, Producing Director

*She Kills Monsters: Young Adventurers Edition* is presented by arrangement by Concord  
Theatricals.

# CAST

## Cast Members

Agnes	Riya Roy*
Tilly	Macee Joyce*
Chuck	Colin Harris
Miles	Faiyaz Helal
Kaliope/Kelly (Agnes Understudy)	Kathleen Shumate*
Lilith/Lilly	Laney Vogel
Orcus/Ronnie	Theor Kamfar*
Vera, The Beholder	Ginee Hong*
Evil Gabbi, Monsters (Vera Understudy)	Meiwen Zajtmann*
Evil Tina, Monsters (Chuck, Orcus Understudy)	Olivia Outwater*
Steve (Nov 1), Monsters	Levi Lane*
Steve (Nov 2, 3, 4), Monsters (Miles Understudy)	Max Haymes
Farrah the Faerie, Monsters	V Luu
Narrator, Monsters	Thaine Moeller
Monsters (Narrator Understudy)	Julie Heninger*
Monsters, Fight Captain (Tilly Understudy)	Jane Wang*
Monsters (Farrah, Evil Gabbi, Evil Tina Understudy)	Elisa Bae*
Monsters (Kaliope, Lilith Understudy)	Charlie Parris*

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## SETTING

Athens, Ohio and the imaginary land of Newlandia.

## TIME

1995.



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# CREW

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## Crew Members

Technical Director, Scene Design .....	Mary Indes*
Production Stage Manager .....	Ryn Malloy*
Assistant Stage Manager, Costumes Team .....	Sienna Hidalgo
Assistant Stage Manager .....	Irene Hwang
Carpentry Lead, Scene Design, & Deck Team .....	Roman Ivaniev*
Carpentry Lead, Sound Lead .....	Aryan Jain
Props Lead .....	Amelia Wong*
Costumes Lead .....	Kaylee Fernandez*
Costumes Lead .....	Areesha Suhail
Lighting Lead .....	Adalynn Duchene*
Deck Lead, Costumes .....	Sage Park*
House and Box Office Manager .....	Jimmy Jiang*
House and Box Office Manager, Publicity Team .....	Seohyun Ryu*
Carpentry Team .....	Aditi Gupta
Carpentry Team .....	Lola Holderbaum
Carpentry & Deck Team .....	Youcheng Li
Carpentry Team, Front of House and Box Office Team .....	Zhuoyan (Claire) Shen
Carpentry Team .....	Zaira Ulmer
Paint Team .....	Minhnh Huynh
Paint Team .....	Jenni Rui
Props Team .....	Emily DuanMu
Props Team .....	Emory Oakey
Lighting Team .....	Omar El Aloosy
Projections & Lighting Team .....	Edward Jenks
Lighting Team .....	Grace Micheline
Sound Team .....	Priansh Mitra
Sound Team .....	Jeremy Zhang
Costumes Team .....	Kaia Bui

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# CREW

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## Crew Members (continued)

Costumes Team .....	Chloe Foust
Costumes Team .....	Ella Wang
Deck Team .....	Amber Chih
Deck Team .....	Anh Vo
Publicity Team .....	Alexis Low
Publicity Team .....	Lauren Low
Publicity Team .....	Ramya Sreeram
Front of House, Box Office Team .....	Yusor Aloosy
Front of House, Box Office Team .....	Roshini Raju
Dramaturg .....	Vidisha Dutta*

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# WHO'S WHO



## Riya Roy\*

*as Agnes*

Riya is so excited to be part of the cast of *She Kills Monsters* as Agnes. She has previously been seen in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Willy Wonka*, *Puffs*, and more since joining Northwood's Theatre Arts program. She would like to thank the cast, crew, directors, and her family for their endless love and support. Enjoy the show!



## Macee Joyce\*

*as Tilly*

Macee is so thankful to be a part of the SKM. She has been a part of the theatre program since her junior year as she participated in *Willy Wonka* as Mrs. Beauregarde. She is also a part of the Track and Field team at Northwood. She would love to thank the cast, crew, friends, directors, and family for their wonderful support!



## Colin Harris

*as Chuck*

Colin is super excited to be a part of the cast for SKM. This is Colin's first play here at Northwood, he was a junior player at South Coast Repertory last year. His many hobbies include Warhammer, Marching band, and video games. He would like to thank his parents for all the support and the crew who made this production possible.



## Faiyaz Helal

*as Miles*

Faiyaz is very grateful to be a part of *She Kills Monsters*. This show will mark Faiyaz's second production, following *Puffs* where he was an understudy. Faiyaz would like to thank his friends and family for their support.



## Kathleen Shumate\*

*as Kaliopé/Kelly (Agnes Understudy)*

Kathleen is super excited and grateful to be a part of the *She Kills Monsters* cast. She has previously been in shows such as *Puffs* as the u/s for Megan and *Beauty and the Beast* as Cogsworth. She would like to thank her friends and family for their constant support and the cast, crew and directors for all their love and encouragement.

# WHO'S WHO



## Laney Vogel

*as Lilith/Lilly*

Laney is super stoked to be a part of the *SKM*. This is her first production at NHS, as she just came from OCSA's acting program. In her spare time she enjoys singing and she takes any performance opportunity she gets. She would like to thank the amazingly talented cast and crew along with her friends and family for their support.



## Theor Kamfar\*

*as Orcus/Ronnie*

Theor is very grateful to be part of the *SKM* cast. He has been a part of the theatre program since freshman year and performed in *Puffs* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. They would like to thank the cast, crew, and family for their support.



## Ginee Hong\*

*as Vera, The Beholder*

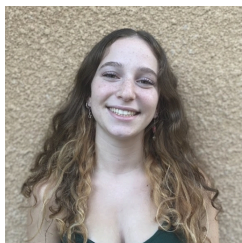
Ginee is super duper excited for this year's production of *She Kills Monsters*. She has helped behind the scenes in past productions such as *Ash Girl* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* for makeup. In her free time, she likes to sing, draw, & occasionally watch some Community. She just wants to give a warm thank you to the whole cast & crew for all the hard work that they put in.



## Meiwen Zajtmann\*

*as Evil Gabbi, Monsters (Vera Understudy)*

Meiwen is incredibly excited to be part of the *SKM* cast. She was in *Willy Wonka* and *Puffs* her freshman year. Her extracurriculars are all things performing arts; mainly, dancing and musical theatre. She would like to thank her family for always supporting her musical theatre endeavors, and Ian Roettger for teaching her stage combat, which she has beyond loved.



## Olivia Outwater\*

*as Evil Tina, Monsters (Chuck, Orcus Understudy)*

Olivia is psyched to be playing Evil Tina in Northwood's production of *She Kills Monsters*. She has been in the NHS theatre program since freshman year and was a part of *Willy Wonka* and *Puffs*. She would like to thank all of her buds in cast and crew for being so supportive and amazing.



# WHO'S WHO



## Levi Lane\*

*as Steve (Nov 1), Monsters*

Levi is honored to be a part of the *She Kills Monsters* cast as his fifth Northwood theatrical production. He has previously appeared in *Puffs* (Wayne), *Willy Wonka* (Grandpa George), *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Quince), and *The Ashgirl* (Ensemble). He would like to thank his cast, crew, family, and friends for their undying support.



## Max Haymes

*as Steve (Nov 2, 3, 4), Monsters (Miles Understudy)*

Max is a freshman and very excited to perform in his first NHS show. Max has been in theater for two years, performing in five shows. His favorite role has been Feuilly (*Les Miserables*). While offstage Max enjoys being in the band, hanging out with friends, and doing service work with Boy Scouts. Max would like to thank his family for assisting his theater dreams, his friends for being huge supporters, and the cast and crew for creating many lasting memories.



## V Luu

*as Farrah the Faerie, Monsters*

V is thrilled to be in *She Kills Monsters*!



## Thaine Moeller

*as Narrator, Monsters*

Thaine is thrilled to be in *She Kills Monsters*!



## Julie Heninger\*

*as Monsters (Narrator Understudy)*

Julie is incredibly happy to be a part of *She Kills Monsters* as a fighter! She's been in the theater program since freshman year, participating both onstage and off, and stage combat has become one of her favorite parts of theater. She loves visual arts and is involved in numerous clubs. She would like to thank her friends, her parents, and her fellow company members for their awesomeness!

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# WHO'S WHO

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**Jane Wang\***

*as Monsters, Fight Captain (Tilly Understudy)*

Jane is grateful to be a part of the *She Kills Monsters* cast. Aside from her passion for acting, Jane has been involved with theatre education advocacy for the past couple years, as a State Thespian Officer and most recently, an International Thespian Officer. She would like to thank everybody who has supported her on her theatre journey.



**Elisa Bae\***

*as Monsters (Farrah, Evil Gabbi, Evil Tina Understudy)*

Elisa is honored to be a part of the *SKM* cast. She made her NHS theatre debut in *Willy Wonka*, and was also a part of *Puffs* last year. She has been having the time of her life using the various weapons we have in the play. She would like to thank the rest of the cast, crew and her friends for their support and chaos.



**Charlie Parris\***

*as Monsters (Kaliopé, Lillith Understudy)*

Charlie is thrilled to once again join cast! She has been in theatre since her freshman year, in props, before joining the cast for *Willy Wonka* and *Puffs* sophomore year. When not in theatre, they enjoy creative writing. They would like to thank their parents and production members for such amazing support during the show, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



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Alice Baik	Jimmy Jiang	Pragnya Ramkumar
Aadya Batra	Daniel Joo	Danny Reyna
Zoe Caagoy	Macee Joyce	Riya Roy
Mia Chen	Theor Kamfar	Seohyun Ryu
Hannah Davidson	Haven Kim	Kathleen Shumate
Kai Davis	Lucy Kim	Shreya Srinivasan
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Bryan Gong	Olivia Luebcke	Amelia Wong
Julie Heninger	Ryn Malloy	Emily Yokota
Ginee Hong	Samya Murtaza	Meiwen Zajtmann
Mary Indes	Rachel Myers	Steven Zhang
Roman Ivaniev	Olivia Outwater	
Inaya Jaffer	Sage Park	
Sam Jalalpour	Charlie Parris	



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*Thank  
you!*

# She Kills Monsters: A Closer Look

by Vidisha Dutta

## The Playwright

**Qui Nguyen** is a Vietnamese-American Playwright, Screenwriter and Director who co-founded the OBIE award-winning theatre company, Vampire Cowboys. He is well known for his unique style, which includes the use of puppetry, pop culture references, and stage combat. Some of Nguyen's works include *Vietgone*, Disney's *Raya and the Last Dragon*, *Peg + Cat*, and *Alice in Slasherland*. He's won an Annie award for his work in *Raya and the Last Dragon* and a Daytime Emmy for his work in *Peg + Cat*.



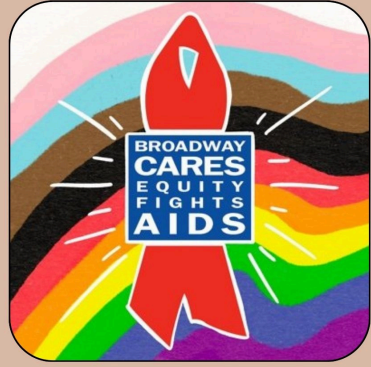
Rehearsal photo of Northwood's cast of *She Kills Monsters* from left to right: Laney Vogel, Riya Roy, Macee Joyce, Kathleen Shumate, & Theor Kamfar

# What Was 1995 Like?

by Vidisha Dutta

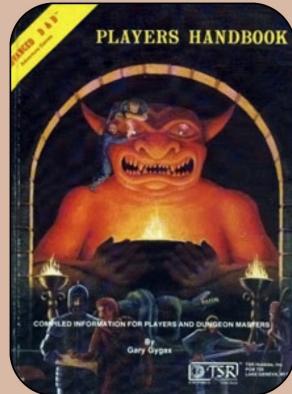
## 1995 was...

a period of great change in the US. It was during the time of the rise of the internet and home computers, Bill Clinton was president and the OJ Simpson trial was ongoing. This time period was pre-9/11, but the Oklahoma City bombing happened in April of that year and is the deadliest act of domestic terrorism in US history. In 1995, HIV mortality rates peaked after steadily rising since the 1980s, and AIDS-related complications were the leading cause of death among 25-44 year-olds.



During this year, there was also a transition from second-wave feminism to third-wave feminism. Second-wave feminism was focused on equality for women, being anti-porn, gaining reproductive rights, and combating workplace inequality. In contrast, third-wave feminism focused more on race, transgender rights, reclaiming womanhood, redefining things that were previously dictated by the patriarchy, and was pro-sex. Third-wave feminism also included the Riot-Grrrl movement, an underground feminist punk movement, that addressed taboo issues such as eating disorders and sexual assault, rejected the victimization of women, and demanded agency for women.

DND had been around for a while by 1995 and had developed a large fanbase but was still pretty niche due to it being a role-playing game, was not inclusive of women and people of colour, having a lot of competitors, and the satanic panic (a moral panic over satanism spreading in the US, DND was affected by this as some people saw it as supporting Satan).



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