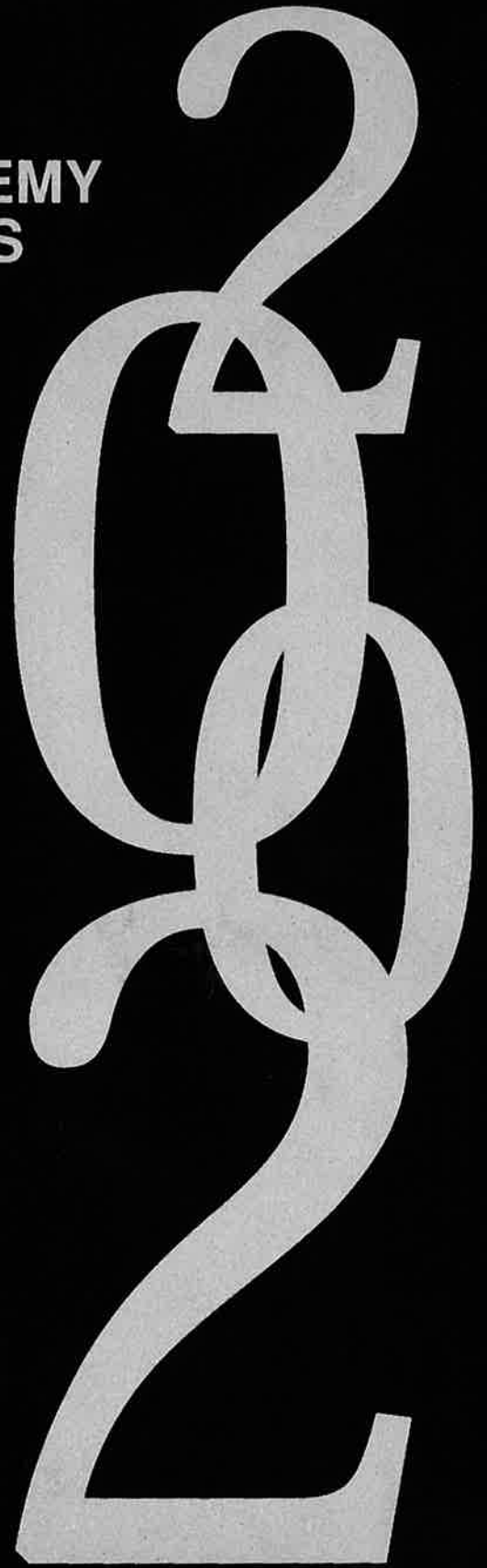


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Student Address

As the door slammed behind me, the first day of school my freshman year, I knew I was in a completely different world. My eyes danced around the building absorbing the energy and excitement that the students expressed. I had never experienced anything like it before and I was terrified. But after my first week at the academy, I felt completely at home.

I spent four very long years here and possess countless memories and stories. I've grown from an insecure freshman to a confident senior ready to move on and conquer college. When I try to express my academy experience to my family and friends they don't understand what it is like to go to school in such a unique environment. There are a million things I love about the academy. Here are just a few:

- signing and dancing in the hall ways
- noisiest library in the world
- sweet smell of stress
- seven course meals in class
- the familiar faces
- the quiet contemplation of the writers
- sketching instead of taking notes
- getting out of class for private lessons
- home away from home
- the hard work and dedication
- free thinking
- open hearts and minds
- unbelievable talent
- student and faculty friendships
- funny academy lingo
- supportive atmosphere

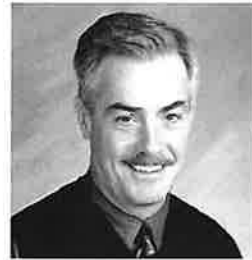
Thank you students and faculty for standing by us. Have a wonderful summer.

Thank You,
Ashley Tinsley, Ashley Kielian, Jackie Remus and Daniel Merced

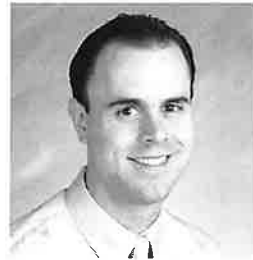
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History/ Philosophy



Andrew Brehm
English



Marie Cinquemani
Music Department Chair



Amy Conn
Music



Alice Gold
Savior



Hannah Hammond
Visual Arts



Kelli Harrington
Musical Theatre



Beck Hunter
Librarian



Pamela Jordan
Principal



Matthew Kerns
Theatre Department Chair



Deborah Koolbeck
Science



Jeremy Long
Visual Arts



Thomas Lucas
Visual Arts



Steve Majsak
Development



Dayle Marks
Math



Michelle Marsh
English/ Media Arts Chair



Evert Martin
Dean Of Academics



Frank Mustari
Headmaster



Anna Paskevka
Dance Department Chair



Jason Patera
Music



Louis Playford
Music



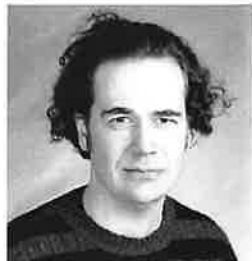
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Patricia Rusk
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Science



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History/ English

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Business Manager



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Admissions



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French



Timothy Tynan
History



Marge Vanderploeg
Administrative Assistant



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Seniors



Daniel Bina
Visual Arts



Sarah Brown
Media Arts



Jonathan Alsberry
Dance

"coo caraca chi ka
pool!"



Jessica Antonick
Visual Arts



Ralph Browne
Visual Arts

"Four years and it's
all down hill from
here"



Michelle Cardozo
Media Arts



Tyler Beach
Music

"I have been con-
sumed by the devil.
Hear out my final
plea. Don't mistake
my transgressions as a
hint of my insanity"



Brad Benoit
Music

"It's crazy I'm thinking
just knowing that the
world is round, and
here I'm dancing on
the ground, am I right
side up or upside
down, is this real or am
I dreaming?"



Emily Conti
Media Arts

"Wota head"



Marybeth Dibiasio
Visual Arts

"Everyone is a suspect"





"I amuse myself,
No one else
needs to."

Amy Duncker
Music

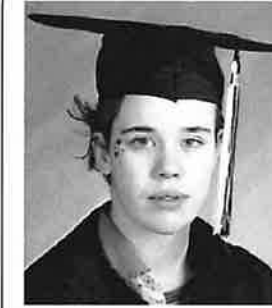


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Visual Arts



"VOUGE!"

Ashley Kielian
Musical Theatre



"Eureka"

Kate Levant
Visual Arts



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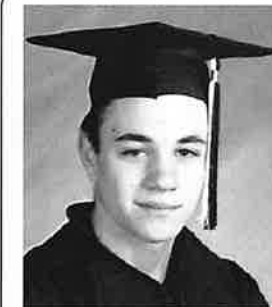
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Mason Gold
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Lola Mann
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Robert Granat
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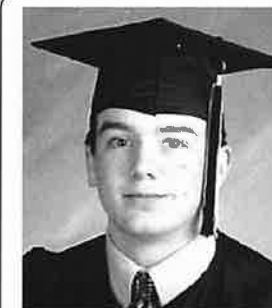


"I do not regret the
things I've done, but
those I did not do"

Stefanie Karlin
Dance



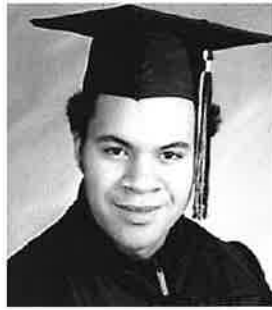
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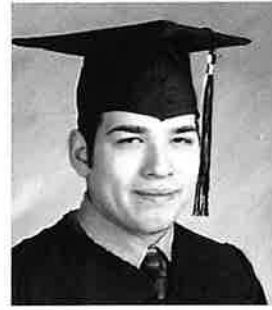
"It's a bird. It's a plane.
No, It's superman!"

Brian Mead
Visual Arts





Joseph Melendez
Visual Arts



Daniel Merced
Musical Theatre

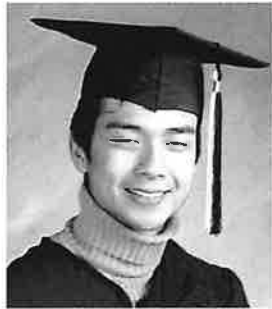


Rachel Potter
Dance

"I bet ya ten
bucks!"



Julie Prepura
Theatre



"Viva la vida
loca"

Juan Moraga
Musical Theatre



John Nelson-Alden
Visual Arts

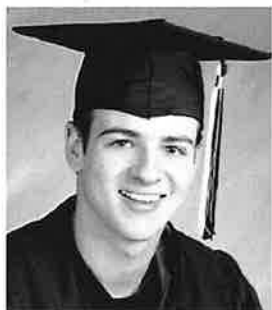


Lindsey Pruett-Smith
Musical Theatre

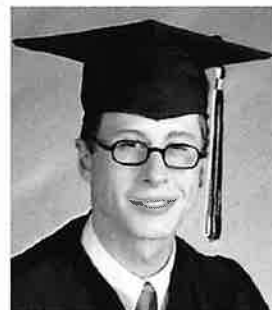


"Express yourself!"

Jackie Remus
Musical Theatre



Andrew Pascale
Theatre



Larry Peifer
Visual Arts

Kath Rogers
Dance



Annika Sheaff
Dance

"No, don't talk...ever!"





Nate Smolinski
Media Arts



Suzannah Sosman
Music



Alexandria Vernasco
Musical Theatre



Kaytee Stengel
Theatre



Cecily Strong
Theatre



Jillian Woolf
Visual Arts



Ashley Tinsley
Visual Arts

"It's time to move on, It's time to get going. What lies ahead I have no way of knowing."



Matthew Vanevery
Musical Theatre

"O.M.G."



Ashley Zuro
Dance

"When someone new comes into your life, they become a part of you. When that person leaves your life, a part of you leaves with them"



Senior Predications

- Best dressed Larry Peifer
- Worst Dressed Matt VanEvery
- Mostlikely to teach at the Academy . Dan Bina
- Most Improved Daniel Merced
- Best Smile Lola Mann
- Most likely to run from the Law ... Nate Smolinski
- Most likely to claim fame Cecily Strong
- Loudest Ashley Kielian
- Quietest Sara Brown
- Best Personality Cecily Strong
- Most Intellectual Susana Sosman
- Most Political Kath Rogers
- Best Looking Andrew Pascale
- Biggest Attitude Matt VanEvery
- Best Couple Mary Dibiasio/
..... Mason Gold
- Class Clown Ralph Browne
- Kiss Up Dan Bina
- Worst Driver Georgette Garside
- Narcoleptic Tyler Beach
- Craziest Jackie Remus
- Diva/Divo Ashley Kielian/
..... Daniel Merced

Dance



Jonathan Alsberry
Senior



Janicka Arthur
Sophomore



Justine Barker
Freshman



Ariana Baum
Freshman



Erin Brown
Freshman



Laura Burgess
Freshman



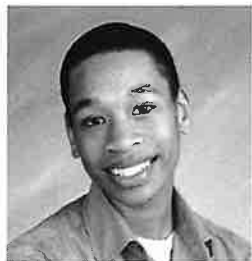
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Junior



Marie Doherty
Sophomore



Tim Emmons
Sophomore



Dan Harris
Junior



Kati Hastings
Sophomore



James Johnson
Sophomore



Stefanie Karlin
Senior



Alexandra Molaro
Sophomore



Lauren Musikantow
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Jacqueline Pagone
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Rachel Potter
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Soreya Robinson
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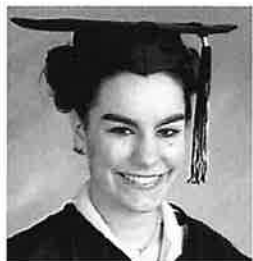
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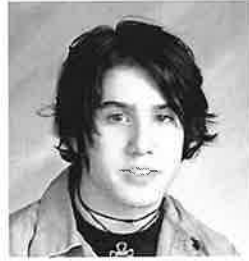
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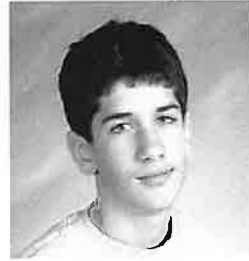
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Clara Langrall
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Nate Smolinski
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Meshawna Stovall
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Amanda Torres
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Owen Young
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Nicole Zafer
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Not Pictured:
Sara Brown



Music



Tyler Beach
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Brad Benoit
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Serena Bernstein
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Anthony Burke
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Amy Duncker
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Deanna Fleming
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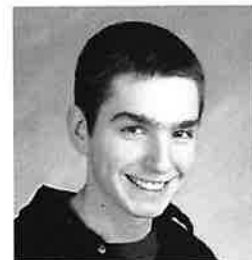
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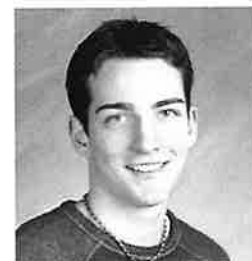
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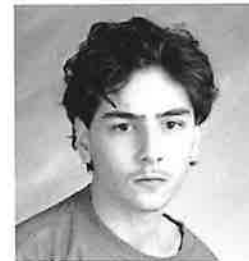
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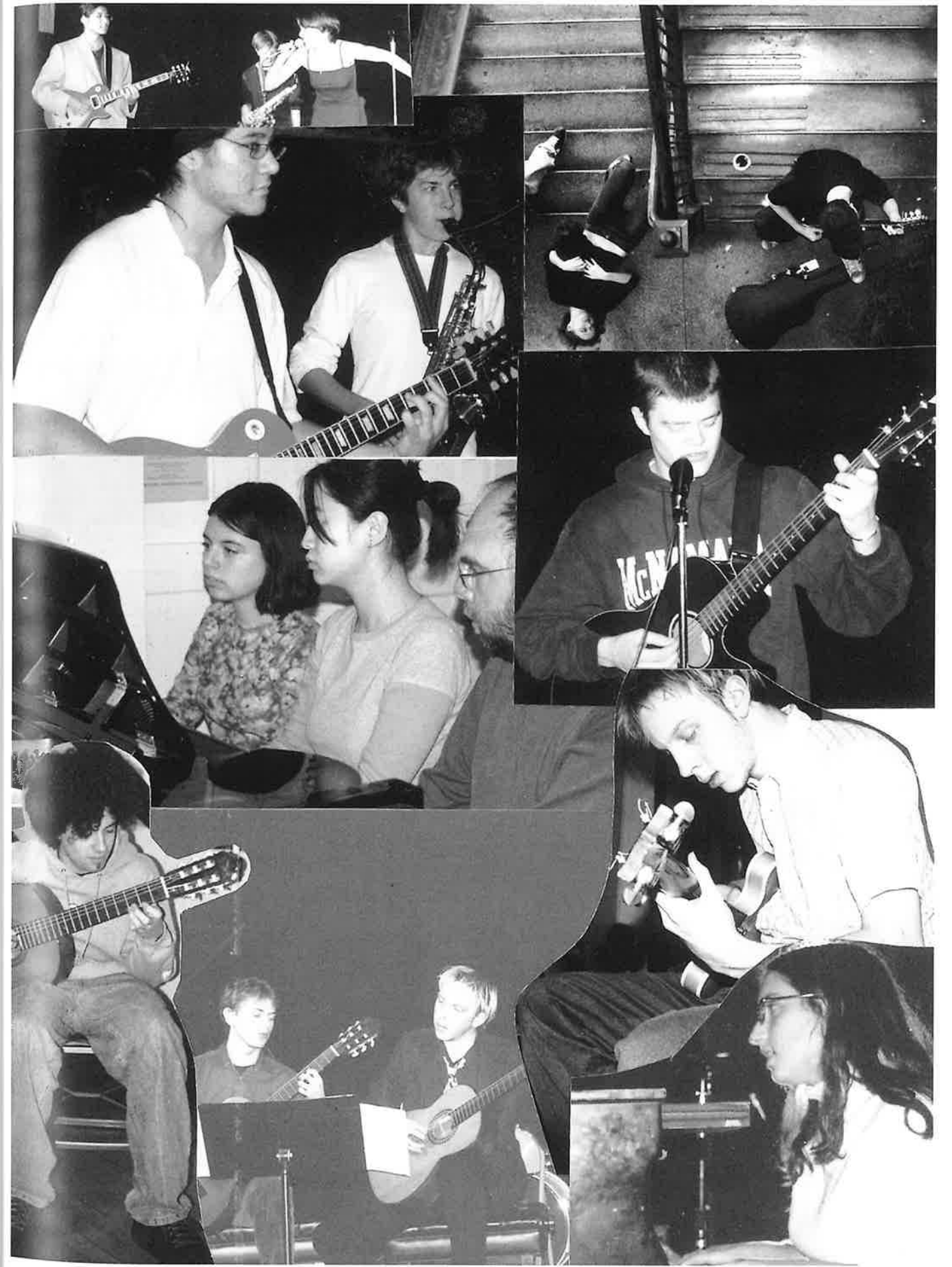
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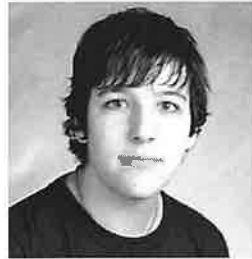
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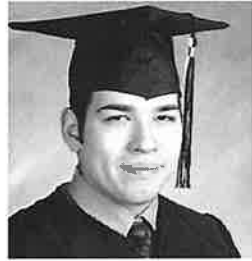
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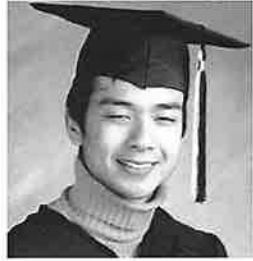
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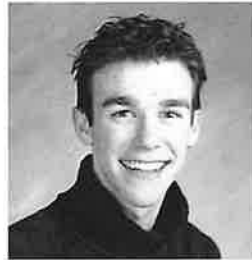
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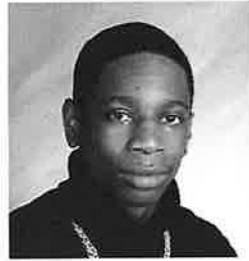
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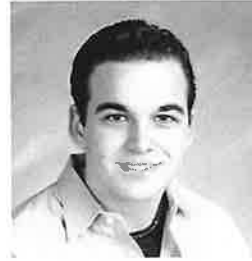
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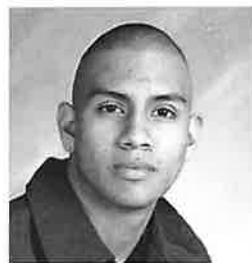
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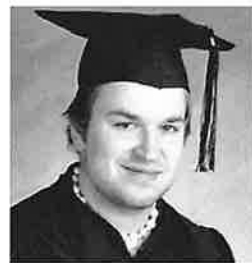
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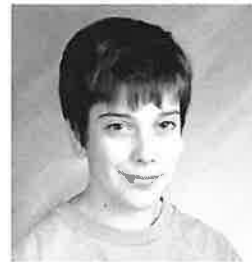
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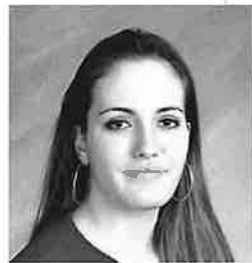
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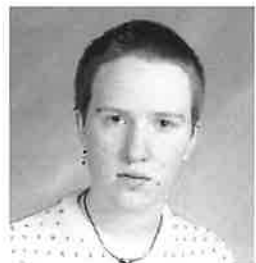
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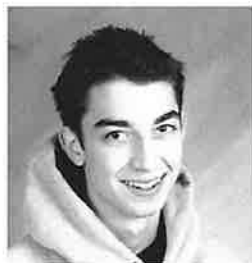
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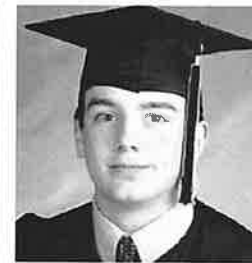


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Brian Mead
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Joseph Melendez
Senior



Meg Nakagawa
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Sarah Pascale
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Paloma Penaloza
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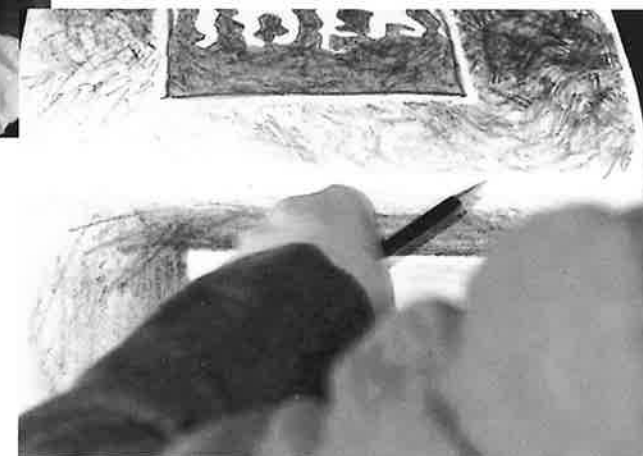
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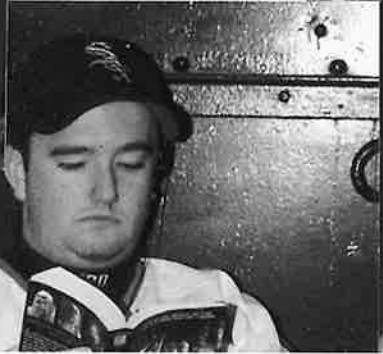


Jillian Woolf
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Katheryn Rogers

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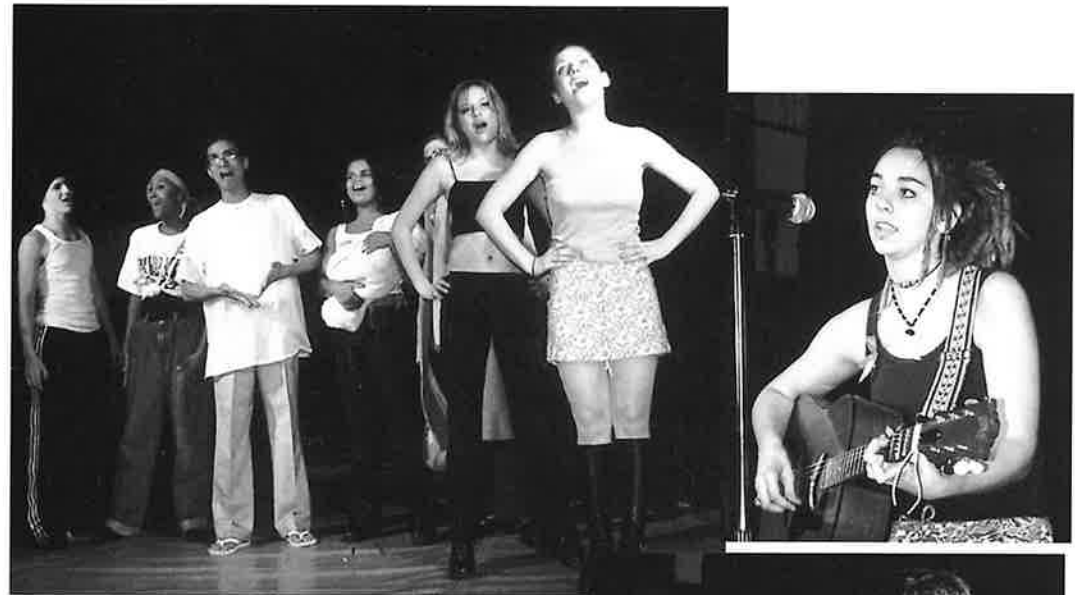




Halloween



AIDS Benefit



Holiday Extravaganza



Farewell Mr. Mustari!

Dear students and friends,

Being Principal and Headmaster of The Academy during its infancy and then again many years later when the school approached the voting age, has definably been the highlight of my forty plus year's career in education. I have always enjoyed the title of Headmaster: it sounds so distinguished. I generally chuckle whenever I have been addressed by that title. However, it's not the title, it's not the job, it's the people of The Academy I will certainly miss. The teachers and the students here have taught me so much. My life has been enriched with a greater understanding of all the arts. I have the greatest admiration and the highest regard for the talented youngsters who have surrounded me daily for these past years.

As I complete my tenure as Headmaster, I vividly recall those very hot August afternoons I spent with the founders and friends of The Academy in 1981. We were all making attempts to explain what The Academy was promising to be. In that August of 1981, we all shared in the dream of our founder, Larry Jordan. Back then, we had not one officially enrolled student; we had not signed one official teacher contract. The "fire in our belly" to make this school the best possible in the area of professional arts preparation was our motivation.

It's now twenty-one years later and I have truly been blessed to be witness to what the school is today. My mind is full of some wonderful memories, some very sad and others truly joyful.

I will always remember the first musical presentation in 1982, "The Boyfriend" and I will always remember the last musical, "A Chorus Line." Witnessing these plays and all the other performances over these past number of years sometimes causes me to shed a year but more often it gives me an opportunity to laugh or at least generate a broad smile.

I'll always remember:

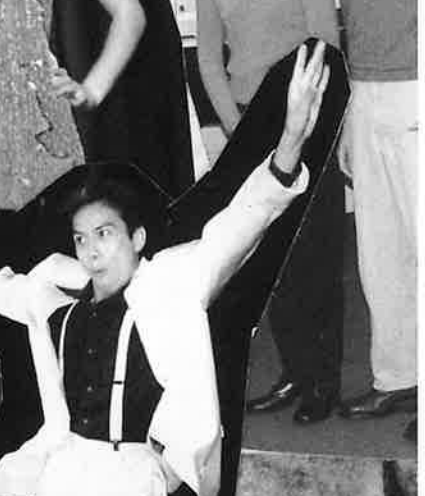
1. The first day of school, September 9, 1981 as much as I remember the first day of school on August 29, 2002.
2. The summer we put in a computer center in 1996
3. The year we "closed campus". That was in 1997.
4. Our first graduation ceremony in May of 1983 in the First Bank Theatre.
5. The tears, which have been shed at every graduation-many of them my own.
6. Our first student to score a perfect score on the SAT verbal.
7. Our first parent meeting when I decided to call the group TAPA(The Academy Parent Association). That name stuck and those letters remain with us twenty-one years later.
8. The deaths of two of my favorite founding Trustees, Zelda Werner and Essee Kupcinet. They were dear freinds and without their devotion the Academy would not be where it is today.
9. Our first graduates who "made it" in Hollywood or on the New York stage. Others have emerged as



artists right here in Chicago

10. Most of all I'll always remember the sounds of this building at 1010 West Chicago at about 1:35pm each day. From every corner of this place- sounds of young people learning how to dance, to draw and paint, to sing, to play an instrument, to write and mostly just growing in their craft. What a cacophony of sound! What music to my ears!

Broadway fans will recognize these words: They are lyrics in a Broadway musical and seem most appropriate for me today. "Its been grand knowing you, grand being your friend. You've been kind, loyal and so generous right down to the very end. Let me say "au revoir," not good-bye! It's been fun, now I must run. But it's been grand, perfectly grand."





9-11



'We Are in War Here'



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OF THE
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Afghanistan



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America**



Bin Laden

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