

Nordonia Drama is getting ready to dive Under the Sea as they present Disney's The Little Mermaid this spring. The Disney musical, based on the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale, brings the classic animated movie to the stage. Featuring everyone's favorite songs: "Part of Your World," "Poor Unfortunate Souls" and "Kiss the Girl", The Little Mermaid will swim onto the Nordonia Drama stage this April 21st-23rd.

This year's cast of 42 is led by Ella Bozan as Ariel and Richie Nyce as Eric. Ezekiel Rayle will take on the role of Sebastian and Claire Marchant will portray the sea witch Ursula, with Caeden Bolling and Grace York playing Scuttle and Flounder. Rounding out the leading cast are Gaby Curcic, Loghan Alexander, Hunter Gabel and AJ Lardomita. The ensemble will take on the roles of mermaids, fish, sailors, maids, and chefs, among others, to help bring this classic story from screen to stage. In addition to the cast, offstage there are another 55 students working tirelessly as members of the crews, running tech, and playing in the orchestra, without whom there would be no show.

This year, Nordonia Drama is thrilled to once again be participating in the Dazzle Awards at Playhouse Square! The Dazzle Awards are high school musical theatre awards for Northeast Ohio, and after our four nominations for 2019's *The Wizard of Oz*, including Best Musical, we are honored to be back to showcase the incredible talent at Nordonia!

Helming this year's musical production is Nordonia High School's Director of Drama, Chris Simmons. Megan Gargano returns as Choreographer and Assistant Director while Bill Shaffer and Ryan Dulaney are back as Vocal Director and will also oversee our student orchestra. Kitty Flauto also returns to oversee all the fun makeup and hair designs.

Performances of this year's production of Disney's The Little Mermaid will be: Friday and Saturday, April 21st and 22nd at 7:30 PM and Sunday, April 23rd at 3 PM. This year, tickets will be sold online through HomeTown Ticketing. Tickets will be \$10 and \$15 and will go on sale at the end of March. Visit www.nordoniadrama.com for more information on the musical, and to see what else Nordonia Drama has planned.