

## ***One Dead, One Dying***

### **Cast Bios**

Dylan Foster (Ollie Crosswhite/Reporter #3) is a senior undergraduate student majoring in theatre at Kansas State University. Dylan previously appeared as Joshua Bradley in KSU's production of *Bright Ideas*. Dylan would like to thank his friends and family for their love and support.

Jackson Berland (Dan Neel) is a second year Theatre Major with a minor in Graphic Design. This is Jackson's second production with Kansas State Theatre, he most recently played Mr. Smythe in *A Christmas Carol*. Jackson would like to thank his family and his brothers for every way they love and encourage him.

Sam Martin (Jennings) is a senior in the theatre program. His previous roles include Jake Greck in the devised work *21st Century Carnival*, as well as voice lines for intermissions in Kansas Theatre Works. Sam would like to thank his family, his teachers, and the cast and crew of this show for always supporting him.

Kevina Cherie (Francis/Phone #3) is a K-State freshman majoring in Theatre Arts. She recently graduated from Turner High School where she able to build her acting experience. Her previous roles include Tracy Turnblad in *Hairspray*, Tilly in *She Kills Monsters*, Sister Mary Patrick in *Sister Act* and Titania in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. She would like to thank the cast and crew of *One Dead, One Dying* for making this show possible through these hard circumstances.

Bryce Taylor (Officer Wiley Mashburn/Reporter #1) is a fourth-year undergraduate student in theatre. He graduated from Burlington High School in 2016. Bryce's past roles include Karl the Giant in *Big Fish*, Big Jule in *Guys and Dolls*, and Grandpa Vanderhof in *You Can't Take It with You*. Bryce would love to thank his family, friends, and The Good Lord Above.

Francis Sheehan (Officer Tom Fielder) is a fun-loving actor who has spent the last several years doing what he loves. Francis went to K-State to study theatre and participate in many more shows. On the weekends, Francis likes to procrastinate on writing his bio, which he is told is quite frustrating for those in charge. Francis would like to thank his fellow actors for taking this journey with him to complete this show, as well as his loving family, who will inevitably comment on the part of this bio that mentions procrastination. Thank you all and enjoy the show!

Jayden Gittle (Vinita/Phone #2) is a sophomore double majoring in Theatre and Education. She previously graduated from Manhattan High School. Jayden's past roles have included; Specs from *Newsies*, Lucille from *Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook*, and Sarah Good from the *Crucible*. Jayden would like to thank her family, friends, and the cast and crew of *One Dead; One Dying* for being so supportive of her journey to do the thing she loves most!

Wesley Danielson (Officer Knowee/Judge Kerr/JD Cartwell) is a senior who is majoring in theatre. In addition to taking part in some Japanese theatre pieces, in the past Wesley has played Lt. Brannigan in *Guys and Dolls*, and Alonso in Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Wesley thanks his friends, family, and fellow castmates for their support.

Masie Dulitz (Mary Hendrix) is a junior majoring in musical theatre with a minor in dance. Favorite past credits include: Mrs. Scrooge/Ensemble in *A Christmas Carol*, Mrs. Ott in *Susannah* (Mrs. Ott), Morticia in *The Addams Family*, Jordan Baker in *The Great Gatsby*, Gloria Thorpe in *Damn Yankees*, and Daughter in *Pirates of Penzance*. She would like to thank her friends and family for all their love and support!

Nikela Reed (Elizabeth) is a first-year Theatre major. She previously graduated from Ruskin High School in Kansas City, Missouri. This is her first production with Kansas State University and looks forward to being a part of many more. Nikela would like to thank her parents for all their love and support throughout her first semester at K-State.

Jyck Green (Harry Young) is a freshman student with a dual major in Education and Theatre. Jyck's past roles have included Lieutenant Rooney in *Arsenic and Old Lace*, Big Bud Dean/Officer Milner/Couch Ripper in *Heathers*, and Barry in *Talk Radio*. Jyck would like to thank their family, friends, and God for their love and support.

Matthew Gates (Pastor/Frank Rhodes/Houston Police Officer) is a first-year undergraduate student majoring in Computer Science. He graduated from Manhattan High School in the Spring of 2020. Matthew's past roles include Nunzio in *Newsies*, an Ancestor in *A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder*, and he has also spent a lot of time working on sets for several shows at the high school. Matthew would like to thank his friends and family, who have supported him in his love of theatre throughout his life.

Creighton Glasscock (Sheriff Hendrix) is a junior majoring in Computer Science and Math. His height is 0.00102176 nautical miles. This play has not changed his perception of the police. Creighton would like to thank his family, his friends, as well as Dr. Anthony Fauci, one of world's leading experts on infectious diseases.

Nathan Pickands (Ed Price/Officer Charley Houser/Mr. Tomlinson) is a freshman at K-State and is majoring in Theatre. He is a 2020 graduate from Manhattan High School, where he was the Thespian President his senior year. Nathan has had many great memories acting at MHS, and his past roles include John Proctor in *The Crucible*, Mr. Burns/Sam in *Mr. Burns, a post electric play*, Miles in *She Kills Monsters*, and many more. Nathan is excited to be in more productions in the coming future.

Ben Chisam (Fred Pike/Prison Guard #1) is a Junior at Kansas State University in theatre. Ben's past roles have included Ryan in *High School Musical 2*, Prince Charming and The Wolf in *Into the Woods*, and The Russian Soloist in *Fiddler on The Roof*. Ben would like to thank all his family and friends for their constant love, support, and motivation. He would also like to thank his cast and production crew of *One Dead; One Dying* for giving him this opportunity and making it such an enjoyable experience.

David Grigsby Jr (Officer Brown/Prison Guard #2) is a Senior majoring in theatre arts & science. He is being known as a poet, photographer around campus. He has been involved in many plays throughout his college career at Kansas State University. He would like to thank the Director first and the loving cast crew for being the best of they can be, and all the other workers who done a phenomenal job. He is thankful for God being here with us and continue to keep striding for success.

Heather Bigwood (Ma Young). This is Heather's first semester at K-State, where she is a non-traditional transfer student working on her BA in History. Delighted to be back acting in theatre, Heather is usually seen at living history events, where she enjoys bringing history to life for the public. Heather wishes to thank her two daughters, her parents, and the love of her life, Jesus Christ.

Rachel Kuenzi (Lorena Young/Phone #1) is a first-year undergraduate student pursuing a BA major in Theatre with an emphasis in performance and minoring in Musical Theatre. She previously graduated from Sabetha High School in 2020. Rachel's past roles have included Clerk in *Hello Dolly*, Ruth in *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*, and Miss Hannigan in *Annie*. Rachel would like to thank the cast of *One Dead, One Dying*, her friends, and, most notably, her family for their love and support.

John "Jack" Carruth (Mr. Duerr/John Young) transferred to K-State as a Junior from Blue Ridge Community College in Flat Rock, NC. At Blue Ridge, he earned his Associates in Fine Arts: Drama. Jack's previous roles include Matt in *The Fantasticks*, Ellard in *The Foreigner*, and Zoser in *Aida*. Jack would like to thank his wife, Ariel, for her support in his pursuit of higher education after eight years in the workforce.

Cooper Mills (Tony Oliver/Reporter #2) Cooper is a sophomore this year at K-State. He is a theatre major with an emphasis in performance. You might have seen him in last year's performance of Dean/Devin in *Gloria*. He is very excited to get back into the groove of theatre. Although he'd prefer to perform in person as anyone would, due to the given circumstance's beggars can't be choosers. He hopes you enjoy *One Dead; One Dying!*