Meet the Cast

Chong Zheng, a music director from China. Her hobbies include dance and cooking. She especially likes to cook meals for her friends. She started piano lessons with her aunt at the age of 6. Her mother plays a Chinese instrument named the “Erhu.” It is a two-stringed bowed musical instrument. Her parents are a great support in her music career.

Amanda Sheriff is a soprano from Houston, Texas. Her favorite things to do include cooking, playing board games, hiking, hanging out with her husband and Netflix. She started choir in 5th grade and hasn’t stopped singing since. She fell in love with opera in college. Recently married in October, Amanda now has a 7-year-old stepson. She fell in love with opera in college. Amanda Sheriff is from Atlanta, Georgia. She enjoys photography, playing video games and teaching her dog new tricks. Her favorite foods are the best in the world! Her mom’s chocolate chip cookies are the best in the world! Her best friend is a 16-year-old dog named Dixie.

Kellen Schrimper, a tenor from Houston, Texas. His playing for DMMO in the past as part of the technical crew for the Summer Festival. He is a fan of the rock band Rush.

Nicholas Mayhugh, a soprano from Houston, Texas. His playing for DMMO in the past as part of the technical crew for the Summer Festival. He is a fan of the rock band Rush.

Dylan Gregg, a bass-baritone from Salisbury, Maryland. He enjoys painting and writing, as well as fishing, skateboarding, and hiking. He loves to eat all types of spicy food, but especially Indian food. He grew up singing in church choirs which led to an early appreciation for music. None of his family are musicians but they have grown to really appreciate opera. Dylan played Squidbillies on Boston University’s variety team as a chaser and a keeper. It’s a very intense and legitimate sport!

Briana Moynihan, mezzo-soprano, is from St. Paul, Minnesota. Her hobbies include reading, journalism, listening to podcasts and new music, watching videos on YouTube and cooking. Her favorite foods include chicken wild rice soup, Caesar salad, Thai curry and just about anything with seafood. Though she was a shy child, her dad was a singer and the family would sing together during the holidays. She joined Minnesota Opera’s youth program, Project Opera, and soon became obsessed with the art form. Briana says her mom’s chocolate chip cookies are the best in the world. Her best friend is a 16-year-old dog name Dixie.

Andrew Turner, tenor, is from Tacoma, Washington. He enjoys hiking, bowling and going to the movies. His favorite food is Mexican and Korean cuisine. Andrew traveled to Korea and spent two weeks learning about the culture. His grandmother inspired him to get involved in music; she taught him to play the piano. Singing is an important part of his family and during the holidays they get together and sing concerts full of gospel music in the living room.

A Wolf in Disguise

Mr. Bigbad is a wolf of many disguises. Draw what you think he might wear next!