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Elias Rios (he/him)

as Director

Elias Rios is a queer latine actor and photographer living in Chicago. He's been a comedian for eight years, a photographer for twelve, and a small human for thirty three. He started his film and acting career back in his church days making short films with his friends, where his greatest role at the time was that of a heterosexual man. Since then, he has created and starred in his own web series Self Ctrl, and can be seen performing comedy

across the city. You can follow his work at eliasrios.com, his shenanigans on ig [@eliasrios](https://www.instagram.com/eliasrios), and stream his webseries Self Ctrl at www.selfctrlseries.com. Repped by Shirley Hamilton



Alonso Ramirez (he/him)

as Frankie

is an actor, improviser, producer and proud Gemini in Chicago. Originally, from the city with the 2nd most strip clubs in the U.S (damn you Portland) Tampa, Florida he moved here in 2017 to pursue comedy. He is part of Flex Improv (Annoyance), The Mermaids and a producer on Everything is Fine! (The Bug-house). You can see him at those shows every week and in August he will be part of The Bob Curry Fellowship Showcase

at Second City! [@alonsaur](https://www.instagram.com/alonsaur) on IG.



Amita Rao (she/her)

as Jane

is a comedian, writer, and actress from Virginia. She plays with Missed Call on Fridays, and with Mummy on Thursdays as a part of the Annoyance House Ensembles. She has been seen around the city as a part of the sketch/improv duo, Gag Reflex.

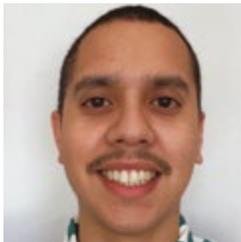
See more of Amita on her Instagram [@amitawow](https://www.instagram.com/amitawow), or in her comedy duo, [@gagreflexchicago](https://www.instagram.com/gagreflexchicago)



Elim Almedom (she/her)

as Cassie

is a performer and writer. She moved to Chicago in 2018, started taking improv classes at iO and has been performing ever since. Last year, she completed the Bob Curry Fellowship at Second City and can be found performing around town at Annoyance, LSI and more! Follow her on Instagram [@eleemonline](https://www.instagram.com/eleemonline) if you want.



Keiter Liriano (he/him)

as Diane

is a comedian, writer, and producer from Miami. You can catch him hosting/producing Improvised Survivor, performing with the improv team Flex, and performing with his improv team The Mermaids, who will be showcased at the Boom Chicago Comedy Festival in Amsterdam. Follow him on all platforms @ [K8Risawesome](https://www.instagram.com/k8risawesome).



Daryn Robinson (she/her)

as Head Writer

currently earns her MFA in Writing for Screen & Stage at Northwestern University and contributes to The Onion. Favorite Chicago credits include The Annoyance House Ensemble: Fire & Beer, Dick Wolf Improv, Improvised Jane Austen, and Shamilton: The Improvised Hip-Hop Musical. This summer, Daryn will intern at The Late Show with Stephen Colbert! Follow her adventures [@daryn_2dream](https://www.instagram.com/daryn_2dream).

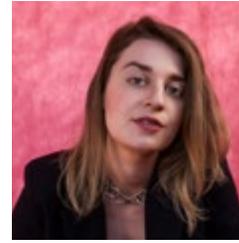


Anna Bortnick (she/her)

as Ensemble

is an actor and improviser from Boston, MA. She received her B.F.A. from Boston University and has trained at the National Theater Institute, Bard Berlin Theater, and the iO Theater. Before moving to Chicago, Anna performed with Actors' Shakespeare Project, Commonwealth Shakespeare, and Gloucester Stage Company. Anna currently plays with Baby Wants Candy and the cast of Shamilton at Second City. www.annabortnick.com

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Vivian Sille (they/them)

as Ensemble

is a non-binary stand up comedian and actor living laughing and loving in Chicago. They are so excited to bring their impressions outside of the shower and on to the stage in The Gala! Please follow their ups and downs every where online [@godhatesvivian](https://twitter.com/godhatesvivian)



Lauren Lonergan (she/her)

as Ensemble

is a Chicago-based comedian who performs impressions and characters at variety shows around the city. In 2019 she debuted her first solo show at The Annoyance Theater called True Grits about the southern women in her life. She currently improvises weekly with her Annoyance House Team, Pigeon. However, Lauren's real claim to fame is that her impression of Diane Keaton has been re-posted on instagram by Diane Keaton herself. [@LaurenMLo](https://twitter.com/LaurenMLo)



Dani Pike (she/her)

as Ensemble

is a singer and actress born and raised in Houston, TX. You may have seen her recently in Nealshow Production's DEATH IS SO MUCH WORSE at The Conservatory. Favorite roles include Natalie in Next to Normal, Veronica Sawyer in Heathers the Musical, Ann Deever in All My Sons, Nancy in Holy Ghosts and Tamara Tomorrow in Music From a Sparkling Planet. She's a proud cancer survivor who would like to thank her family for all they do to support her as she chases her dreams and defies the odds. Visit danipike.com for more! [@danipike77](https://twitter.com/danipike77)



Kristen Aviles (she/her)

as Ensemble

is a Chicago based comedian and improviser. Aside from performing with The Mermaids & Flex improv you can catch her in her other murderous improv endeavors with Clued-in, The Dinner Detective and Dick Wolf Improv. If that isn't enough, follow her on instagram [@kris10aviles](https://twitter.com/kris10aviles) for her weekly shows! Currently Kristen is cooking up some parody songs (release pending), and is furiously watching Grey's Anatomy for the first time ever.



Jillian E. Mueller (she/her)

as Ensemble

is a Chicago-based performer, writer, director, and lyricist. Mueller currently works at The Annoyance Theatre where she is a Resident Director and improv instructor. She currently performs and co-directs the long-running improv show Trigger Happy, also at The Annoyance Theatre. She has directed, co-written, and provided lyrics for three original musicals; Ask Your Doctor: A Pharmaceutical Musical, Slamazons!, and Angela of Death. Notable projects around Chicago include serving as the Assistant to the Director for Second City's 106th Mainstage Revue: Dream Freaks Fall From Space, Director of Engage! A Choose Your Own Sci-Fight Adventure at Theatre Wit, and Performer and Workshop Facilitator with the Improv Playhouse touring team. Mueller holds a BFA in Theater Studies from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and is a graduate of the Second City Directing Program, Second City Conservatory, The Annoyance, iO Chicago (Harold Team- Sonis), and the Tisch School of the Arts ETW Summer Program at NYU. [@jillertime13](https://twitter.com/jillertime13)



Mason King (he/him)

Understudy

is from Dallas, TX and made his move to the bigger, much colder city of Chicago in 2021. He takes classes at The Annoyance and recently started classes/was accepted into The Second City Grad Revue. He's excited to be a part of his 2nd show at The Annoyance. You can see him in Uncut Gems: The Musical Parody at The Annoyance Saturday nights at 8pm, May 21st-June 25th. You can also find him rollerblading and

shredding some fresh crete' at Montrose Skate Park. He would like to thank Elias and the rest of the cast for welcoming him in with open, Sashay Away arms. [@mason_king15](#)



Chelsea Matkins (she/her)

as Emily (U/S)

is a comedian, writer, and actress from Richmond, VA who has been seen in theaters & variety shows around Chicago. She plays on Mummy every Thursday night as a part of the Annoyance House Ensembles. She has been seen around the city as a part of the sketch/improv duo, Gag Reflex. See more of Chelsea on her Tiktok [@chelseamatkins](#), instagram [@the_chel_sea](#) or in her comedy duo, [@gagreflex_chicago](#)



Biana Shaw (she/her)

as Emily

is a Chicago-based actor, comedian, voice actor, and writer. She is a graduate of the Second City Conservatory and Severn Darden Graduate Program. Her comedy has been featured at Chicago Sketchfest, Chicago Women's Funny Festival, MCL Premier Premieres, and she won the 2019 Mary Scruggs Works by Women Festival. In 2020, Bianca's first feature-length script was a Semi-Finalist in the Screencraft Action & Adventure

Screenplay Competition, and she writes for the skincare/beauty section of FASHION FIRST MAGAZINE. Bianca was featured in the December 2021 issue of BACKSTAGE MAGAZINE, after being cast as Mariah/Blaze on the upcoming roller derby TV series "Take the Whip". She can be seen starring in the web series "Ashley Green: Eater of Souls", "Two P's in a Pod", "Ghost Town", "Basically Happy" and the upcoming "Phil & Sophie". Bianca is thrilled to be performing in this fabulous show, alongside such a stellar cast. She would like to thank Preston, her friends, family, and the cast for their love and support. For more, follow Bianca on Twitter/IG [@BiancaAnneShaw](#).

