

“Mean Girls” at Laguna Beach High School is not a Regular Show, it’s a Cool Show!
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In the halls of North Shore High School, jocks, geeks, and loners alike cower under the Louboutin heels of the Plastics. When new girl Cady Heron finds herself under the protection of the “Apex Predator” Regina George, her high placement on the high school food chain awakens a new beast within her. A classic comedy that audiences will quote on the drive home, “Mean Girls” at Laguna Beach High School is pink perfection.

Lauren Norrix as Cady Heron transitions from “groot” math girl to queen bee; Throughout the performance, she changes her body language, from slouched shoulders with a weary smile to widening her stance and sauntering like a strutting powerhouse. Speaking of powerhouse, Norrix’s beautiful mix belt in songs like “It Roars” and “Stupid with Love” is full of emotion and hope, and in a larger-than-life show like “Mean Girls”, Norrix finds vulnerable, genuine moments soften her voice and sing in her head voice that illustrates the humanity in character.

T.J. Simmons is Regina George, and she is (in fact) a massive deal. Simmons's mesmerizing portrayal demands all to admire her smooth yet dangerous voice. Working with the Running Crew (Moises Ramirez, Anna Sandquist, Rita Capano, and Alfredo Rincon) who open the high school walls to reveal the iconic Plastics silhouette, the audience erupts in applause in response to Simmons’s pink, potent aura. With pursed lips and a diva hair toss or two, Simmons’s is the mean girl that one cannot help but love!

Maris Morgan is the ditzy blonde with the smartest comedic timing: Karen Smith. She captures one's attention continuously, from her hip-hop dancing in “Sexy” to subtle moments in the background of scenes when she is delightfully confused but nodding along to her fellow Plastics. Morgan shows off her elegant fan kicks and leaps during “Fearless” which capture Karen’s buoyancy and light-hearted nature.

Stage Manager Grace Basramian perfectly calls every cue and orchestrates each scene transition to pace the show and ensure the energy stays up. Everything is timed down to the second and Basramian directs the Running crew to prepare for each moment.

Wear pink and go see the fantastic “Mean Girls” at Laguna Beach High School!