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## ALL THAT JAZZ! MAC MUSICAL ‘CHICAGO: TEEN EDITION’ SET TO DAZZLE

Te Kura o Tititea Mount Aspiring College students are ready to dazzle audiences with ‘*Chicago: Teen Edition*’, opening at the Lake Wānaka Centre on Thursday 30 April.

Presented in partnership with premium sponsor Fyfe Karamaena Law, the musical promises a vibrant mix of glamour, jazz, and drama.

Director and MAC Drama teacher Lisa Clough says the production is bursting with energy, sharp wit, and unforgettable jazz numbers.

“The buzz around the school is palpable. Our students are really enjoying bringing the 1920s Chicago jazz era to life.

“It is so exciting for our students to showcase their learning to our community, and I think audiences will be really impressed by the calibre of the performance — from the actors on stage, to the live band, and the exceptional dance choreography created by our students.

“We are thrilled to present this spectacular production to the Wānaka community.”

Year 13 student and Stage Manager Mikayla Botting says the cast and crew of 80 Years 9 to 13 students are working hard to pull everything together for opening night.

“Our cast has done an amazing job of learning all the songs and dances.

“I’m really looking forward to seeing everything fall into place, and our cast and crew having fun showcasing their hard work.”

Performances are at the Lake Wānaka Centre on Thursday 30 April at 7pm, Friday 1 May at 7pm, and Saturday 2 May at 2pm and 7pm.

Tickets are \$25–\$35 at Eventfinda: <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2026/chicago-teen-edition/wanaka>

MAC’s production of ‘Chicago: Teen Edition’ is generously sponsored by Fyfe Karamaena Law (premium sponsor), TomTom Productions (technical partner), along with Wildwire Wānaka, Mitre 10 MEGA Wānaka, Federal Diner, Edgewater, McCulloch and Partners, and Bramwell Scaffolding.

**More information:** Please contact Director Lisa Clough: [cloughl@mtaspiring.school.nz](mailto:cloughl@mtaspiring.school.nz) and tel: 0211 781 669.

### Images provided

- Cast members: *Back row* (L-R): Lucy Byres (17), Jade Lunny (14), Tyasha de Jong (17), Anika West (16), Alice Chaly (14), Lilly Morrison (13), Charlise Wyatt (13), Daisy Speak (13) | *Third row* (L-R): Ivy Craig (15), Nevé Morrison (16), Zoe Waddington (16), Edie Yandall (13) | *Second row* (L-R): Matilda van Urquhart (15), Maia Wheeler (16), Maxene Ursua (17) | *Front row* (L-R): Isabel Viitanen-Taylor (13), Paige Lunny (14), Gemma Cragg (14), Livia Borges (14), Mia Tooley (14)
- Stage Manager Mikayla Botting (17)
- Director and MAC Drama teacher Lisa Clough