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Poor Yorick Band Members

Paige Perkinson.....Lead Vocals
Will Bartlett.....Drums
Lauren Connors.....Keyboard/Backup Vocals
Dave Nichols.....Bass Guitar
Dave Perkinson.....Lead Guitar

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Who's Who

Poor Yorick is an energetic Metrowest-based rock band that plays originals and covers from Adele to Zeppelin. Established in 2015, Poor Yorick has played all over Boston, Cambridge, Somerville, Concord, and Marlborough. In addition to eclectic hits, they are working on their first EP of original material inspired by their kids, their dreams, and their love of Shakespeare. Poor Yorick is thrilled to be performing *We're Gonna Die* with Newton Theatre Company. "If music be the food of love, rock on!" For more info and upcoming gigs, follow them on Facebook or at their website: PoorYorick.com.

Will Bartlett (Drums) has been hitting things with sticks almost as long as he's been taking things apart to see how they work. In the 90s, he was a member of the post-punk band Six Going On Seven, which put out three full-length records and several EPs, toured the country multiple times, and had a song in the soundtrack for the art house film *The Station Agent*. Following the band's dissolution, he began a career in tech and is now a test engineer at MIT's Lincoln Lab. He lives in Concord with his wife and almost-grown kids.

Lauren Connors (Keyboard/Backup Vocals) is excited for her debut with Poor Yorick in *We're Gonna Die*. She is in her 15th year as the Wellesley Middle School chorus director where she teaches four different grade-based choral ensembles, general music, and an after-school music lab for students interested in jamming and arranging. Lauren is a graduate of Gordon College (Master of Music Education, '15) and Westminster Choir College (Bachelor of Music in Music Education, '04). Lauren has been an active member of the Massachusetts Music Educators Association since 2009, serving over the years as All-State Concert Coordinator Chair, Festival Manager, and is the current Vocal Adjudication Chair for the Eastern District. Besides teaching music, she enjoys plucking bluegrass double bass and long woods walks with her husband and hound dogs.

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Dave Nichols (Bass Guitar) Dave's theater career began and ended with his 5th grade production of "It Takes a Wizard". He suspects that his role as the king was based solely on the fact that the script called for a person of diminutive stature. Since 5th grade, Dave has been playing guitar and bass and finding more success. He has been making music with Dave Perkinson and Will Bartlett since high school and has been performing with Poor Yorick since 2015. When not playing music, he is a proud parent of two students of the Newton Public Schools and is a Middle School teacher in Wellesley. He is grateful for the fact that he has no lines during this show and gets to play music with some wonderful people.

Dave Perkinson (Lead Guitar) has been making creative noise for as long as he can remember. He's been seen on various stages talking, singing, dancing, but mostly just playing guitar for multiple decades, and has generally enjoyed every second of it. Theatre credits include: *The Crucible* and *Art* (Salem Theatre Company), and *Twelve Angry Jurors* (Counter Productions). David co-founded a theatre company, which was how he met his incredible wife, and he's very lucky to now play in a band with her. Out of the list of things David is proud of, his beautiful son has to be at the very top.

Paige Perkinson (Lead Vocals) is excited to be returning to NTC after being a part of *Saint Joan* and *Iphigenia Among the Taurians*. Previous area credits include: *Taming of the Shrew*, *Macbeth*, and *Comedy of Errors* (Actors' Shakespeare Project), *The Three Musketeers* (Greater Boston Stage/Front Porch), and *Allegiance* (SpeakEasy). She holds a BFA in Acting from Boston University's School of Theatre and has studied at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. In addition to acting, Paige teaches and directs theatre at Newton South High School. When she's not teaching or performing Paige loves to crochet, craft, and cheer for her little league all-star.

Poor Yorick



Will Bartlett



Lauren Connors



Dave Nichols



Dave Perkinson



Paige Perkinson

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We acknowledge that Newton, Massachusetts is on the traditional homelands of the Massachusett Indigenous Peoples.

The name Massachusetts comes from the Massachusett language term for "At the Great Hill," referring to the Blue Hills overlooking Boston Harbor from the south.

The Indigenous Nations that belong to this land are known as the Aquinnah Wampanoag, Mashpee Wampanoag, Ponkapoag, Stockbridge Munsee Mohican Nation and Nimuc.

We respect & recognize it is a privilege to be living on these lands as guests. We acknowledge the trauma experienced over centuries to the indigenous peoples who live on these lands and continue to face injustice.

We honor with gratitude those peoples who have stewarded this land. We also acknowledge that these lands are sacred to generations yet to be born.

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