FINDING HER VOICE

HOW OUR DONORS' GENEROSITY EMPOWERED MANI MAY AND THE TEACHERS WHO GUIDED HER

Dear Families,

At commencement this May, there will be two photos of me side by side on the big screen: my 3-year-old "Eagle" self and my senior portrait.

When I joined SAS 14 years ago in Mr. Lewis's preschool class, I was still learning English. He recently shared that he never doubted I would find my way.

"You were so eager to engage with everyone, Mani May. Someone should do a doctoral dissertation on kids like you that connects dynamic personalities to language development!"

At SAS, one of my teachers just might. Twenty educators are in the current University of Southern California SAS cohort pursuing their doctorates, and they are all supported by scholarships for this professional growth. Mr. Lewis saw my potential when I was only three; SAS ensures educators have the support to help me reach it.



MY EARLY YEARS AT SAS



MY JUNIOR YEAR ON STAGE

As my journey comes to a close, everything feels deeply connected on our reimagined campus.

Today, I spend a lot of my time in the Creativity and Innovation Suite—a state-of-the-art space that, over a decade ago, housed my preschool classrooms.

In that space last year, I watched friends in robotics build a gigantic snail for our production of *The SpongeBob Musical*. Because they had access to the right equipment and technology, their wildest ideas became a reality.

Mr. Lewis was right.

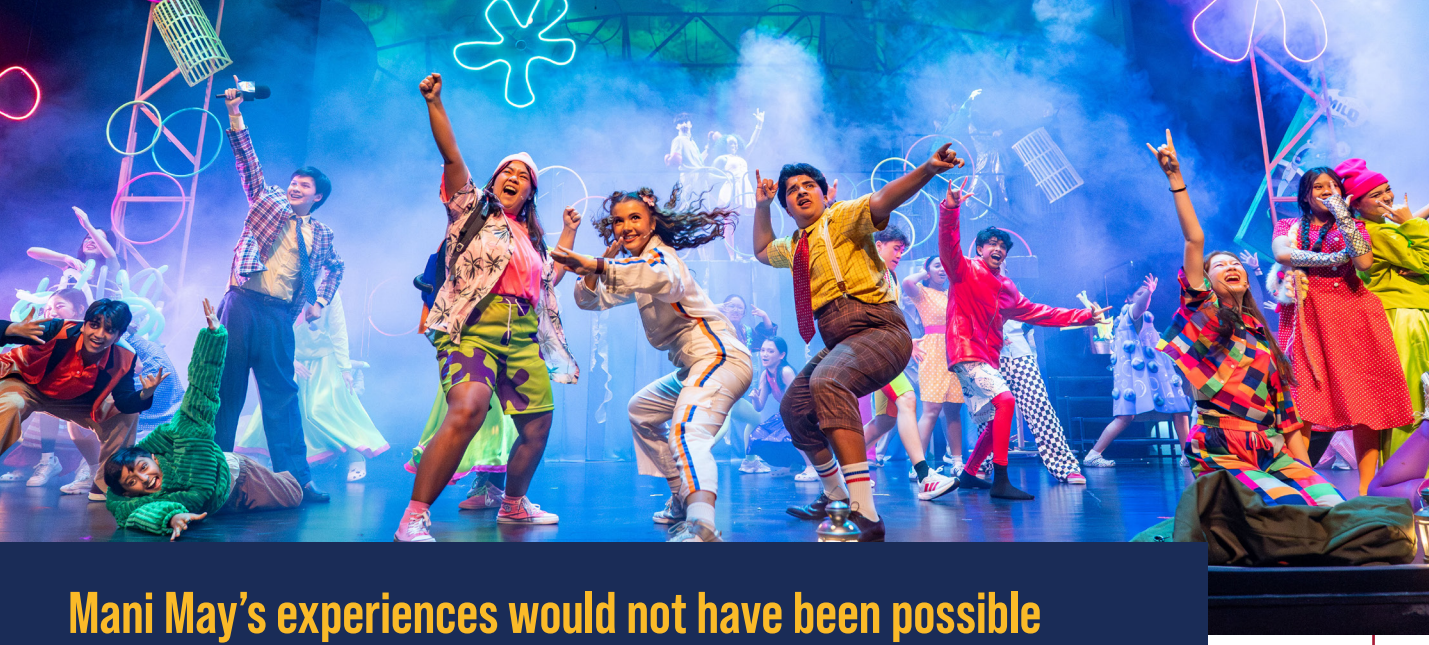
Whether it is a performance hall that amplifies our songs or a redesigned corner of campus where I can create works of art alongside inspiring teachers, one thing is clear.

I gained my voice here.

And I can't wait to take it out into the world.

Mani May
Class of 2027

How does our SAS community impact our students, teachers, and campus?
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Mani May's experiences would not have been possible without the generous support of our community of donors.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO
BUILD COMMUNITY AT SAS

Time

Volunteer with the SAS Foundation Board, SAS School Board, the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), or the Booster Club.

Treasure

Every gift counts no matter the size. Invest in SAS with an annual gift, join our 1956 Circle, or unlock match funding. 100% of gifts are invested in our mission to support our students, faculty, staff, and campus.*

Talent

Build bridges between your professional or educational networks and our SAS community through mentorship, internships, or curating guest speakers.

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