

## **Nori Kai Little**

Nori Kai Little is a 16-year-old sophomore attending Albuquerque Academy in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Nori began performing at an early age beginning with violin, piano and Irish Step Dance. At the age of 9, she was introduced to musical theatre when she and her step-dad tried out for Albuquerque Little Theatre's *Annie* together. She was cast as the orphan, July. She then went on to play Peter Pan in ALT's *Shrek* and at 13 she was the only person under the age of 25 to be cast in Musical Theatre Southwest's production of *Dreamgirls*. Her first lead role came about in 2023 when she was cast as Velma Kelly in Albuquerque Academy's *Chicago: Teen Edition*. This role won her a nomination and ultimately the award for Best Actress in the New Mexico High School Musical Theatre Awards, also known as the Enchantment Awards. She is extremely excited to attend the Jimmy Awards in New York and to see what her future in performance holds.