



Audition Information
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Signing Up: We are happy to announce this year's production will be Seussical the Musical! We are very fortunate to have a professional, creative, production team who have many new ideas that are going to make this production very exciting! We are expecting a large turnout for auditions, so **everyone must log onto the website & sign their child up for an audition time.** Click on "Register" and fill in the blanks. An email will be sent to me, and "cc" to you. I will then email you confirming the time. If that block of time is full, I will give you the next available time (we will try to eliminate full time slots as quickly as possible to avoid confusion).

Audition Preparation:

1. **All paperwork must be completed prior to the audition. Please print out and bring your completed audition application with you.**
2. Bring a headshot & resume (if you have one), school photo or any recent favorite picture you have.
3. Each child **must** have 16 bars of any upbeat contemporary/Broadway style song. Please have your child bring their music and mark off the 16 bars they will be singing. No a cappella – no CD's – sheet music only! No ballads!
4. Please memorize a one-minute monologue showing your best acting range.
5. Dress appropriately: **Ladies** should wear a leotard; tights, sweat or yoga pants and bring proper dance shoes. **Gentlemen** should wear T-shirts; sweat pants and jazz or men's character shoes.
6. Make sure to list **ALL CONFLICTS** on your audition application. Please do not list "none", and then give a us conflicts every week during the rehearsal process!
7. **BE ON TIME!** Please do not show up very early or very late! If you do not show up for your assigned time, your audition could be cancelled at the discretion of the director.
8. **PARENTS – PLEASE REMIND YOUR KIDS! Do not to forget to introduce themselves to the production team!** When they go in, have them give their name, age, song and monologue title.

Where: Cheverly United Methodist Church, 2801 Cheverly Avenue, Cheverly, MD 20785
Date: Saturday, January 9, 2010
Time: 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Callbacks: Callbacks: Tuesday, January 10, 2010
Acting Callbacks 2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Dance Callbacks 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

If you are called back for both acting & dancing, you may need to bring a change of clothes; you will not be permitted in for callbacks without proper attire.

First Rehearsal is on Saturday, January 23rd at 12:30 pm.

Orientation Meetings: There will be a mandatory meeting. Parent & actor meeting will be Thursday, January 21st at 6:30 pm. **At least one parent must attend with their child.**

Audition Workshop: January 2, 2010 an audition workshop will be held for any actor's wishing to attend – it is not mandatory – the workshop will be held from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. There is a \$20 charge for the workshop. There will be a reduction of \$5 for a second sibling and a \$10 reduction for each sibling thereafter.

Rehearsals: Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons. For the first 4-6 weeks, everyone is expected to come to all 3 rehearsals each week. Once the director starts breaking the kids down into groups, there will be some evenings off if your group is not needed. Rehearsals begin January 23, 2010.

Performance Dates: Public performances will be May 13, 14 & 15 at 7:30 p.m., May 15 & 16 at 2:00 p.m. and May 16 at 6:30 p.m. There will also be field trip performances on May 13 & 14 at 10:30 a.m. All performances are at the Publick Playhouse, 5445 Landover Road, Cheverly, Maryland. *****Please note: All actors are required to be in attendance during tech week. Leads are required to be at each performance.***

Tuition: This is a tuition workshop production for ages 8 to 18. Exception: If you have a 7 year old who will be 8 by April 30th and they have performed & have been well behaved in a previous preshow, they may audition for the main show. Tuition includes a tee shirt and DVD of the show.

Main Roles: Tuition is \$300 (All inclusive).

Chorus/Ensemble Roles: Tuition is \$275 (All inclusive). There is a reduction in tuition of \$50 per sibling. ***Full tuition must be received by the first rehearsal unless special arrangements have been made with our treasurer, Candy Watkins. You can contact her at 301-773-2253.*** If payment is made later than the second rehearsal, without special arrangements, there will be a late fee of \$25.00 for each week that payment is not made or if arrangements have not been made with the treasurer. Scripts will not be given to any actor whose tuition has not been paid in full or made arrangements.

There are several partial scholarships available that will be issued according to financial need. Once an actor is cast, **parents must contact Candy Watkins to make arrangements for the scholarship.** *In terms of the preference for PG County kids: In casting, when all factors are relatively equal, first priority will be given to Prince George's County children and to children who have been in previous CYAG productions.

Conflicts & Spring Break: Rehearsals will NOT be held during spring break, therefore there will be no rehearsals from 3/29 to 4/03, we will return on Tuesday, 4/06. Attendance at rehearsal is very important. **NO MORE THAN 4 ABSENCES WILL BE ALLOWED.** If you know you are not able to meet the commitment of the shows rehearsal schedule, please do not audition. It will cause delays in learning the script, songs and dances for everyone involved, and it is unfair to all your cast mates who show up for each rehearsal. Everyone is expected to be off book by February so the director's and choreographer can concentrate on acting, singing and dancing, which is very hard to do when everyone's carry those big notebooks around!

Parent Volunteers: Each year we will need help from the parents to make the production successful. At least one parent per actor is required to volunteer 10 hours during the show. There is a \$75 charge per family for parents who are unable or prefer not to do the 10 hours of volunteer work that is payable along with your child's tuition.

Three Strike Rule: There will be a "Three Strikes and You're Out" policy again this year. If a child is asked to leave the show, no refunds will be given.

Forms: All the forms you need, can be found at www.cheverlyyoungactors.org, but if you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me. My email is reng812737@aol.com and my phone number is 240-245-3067.