

THEATRE CALGARY'S "A CHRISTMAS CAROL" 2011
YOUNG COMPANY AUDITIONS

AUDITION DATE: Sunday, October 2, 2011

LOCATION: TBA

SHOW DATES: Rehearsals begin on Mon Oct 31; Show runs Nov 28 – Dec 24/11

10:30am – 12:00pm GROUP 1 (5 – 10 year olds, both genders)

12:15pm – 1:45pm GROUP 2 (11 – 15 year olds, both genders)

CALLBACKS will be on Sunday October 2 from 2:00pm – 3:30pm

*we will notify people that we want to see for the callbacks at the end of each group audition

WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR 8 YOUNG PEOPLE TO PLAY:

Martha Cratchit –oldest Cratchit child, looks early teens

Peter Cratchit –oldest Cratchit boy, looks tween to early teens

Belinda Cratchit – youngest Cratchit girl, looks 9 – 12

Tiny Tim – the sickly youngest Cratchit, very small boy or girl, looks under 9

Boy Scrooge – looks under 11

Young Scrooge – looks between 11 and 13

Fan – Scrooge's sister, looks between 9 and 14

Hope – girl who travels with Christmas Present, looks under 12

*All Children except Tiny Tim play more than one role in the show

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ONLY TAKE ONE DAY OFF EACH WEEK AND THAT DAY IS SUNDAY DURING REHEARSALS AND MONDAY ONCE THE SHOW OPENS. THE YOUNG COMPANY IS ALSO REQUIRED FOR ALL 8 PERFORMANCES PER WEEK AS WE DO NOT DOUBLE CAST ROLES.

Please come prepared to move around a fair bit, so wear loose, comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle. We will do some group exercises and will ask you to sing a Christmas song of your choice. We will also work the following scene (see next page) from the play, which should be memorized ('off book'). This will be the same scene for both age groups. Please memorize all of the roles EXCEPT Bob Cratchit as we mix everyone up and you will get to do it more than once.

Please confirm your availability and which group is appropriate.

Thanks,

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or call 294-7440 ext. 1053 (if you have any questions)

Audition Scene – A Christmas Carol

Martha: Here I am. I am sorry I'm late.

Cratchit 1: Hurrah! There's such a goose, Martha!

Cratchit 2: I thought you'd be home sooner.

Martha: So did I. We'd a deal of work to finish up last night at the Milliner's and I had to clear away this morning. I moved as fast as I could.

Cratchit 1&2: There's father coming. Hide, Martha, hide.

(Martha hides under the table. Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim enter.)

Bob: Well, such a greeting. Where's Martha? She should be home by now.

Cratchit 1: Father, Martha's not coming.

Cratchit 2: Not this year. She's staying on at the Milliners.

Cratchit 1: No Martha this year, Father.

Cratchit 2: No.

Cratchit 1: Yes, Father. It's true. But this way we'll have more goose to eat without her.

(Martha kicks Cratchit 1 from under the table.)

Cratchit 2: I'll eat her pudding for her if that'll make you feel better, Father.

(Martha pulls Cratchit 2 from under the table.)

Bob: Oh, well. If Martha isn't here, I'll guess we have to cancel Christmas.

Tiny Tim: Cancel Christmas?

Cratchit 2: No goose?

Cratchit 1: No pudding?

Bob: I'm afraid not. Take the food away.

Cratchit 1&2: She's under the table.