



The Community Theatre of Howell  
Announces  
**AUDITIONS**



For

*A Year with Frog and Toad*

School Performances: December 5, 6, 7, 2006

Public Performances: December 8, 9, 10, 2006

Additional performance in late March or early April

Auditions: September 28, 29, 30

*A Year with Frog and Toad* is a musical comedy tailored for the whole family. The show centers around the friendship of Frog and Toad, two very different personalities that echoes the friendship of Oscar and Felix from *The Odd Couple*. The story takes place over a year, starting in the spring with the birds waking up Frog and Toad and ending at Christmas before they hibernate again until the next spring. Songs like “*Getta Load of Toad (Toad Looks Funny in a Bathing Suit)*” “*Seeds*” and “*Cookies*” helped the show get nominated for the Best Musical Tony Award.

This show has a small cast of 5 to 7 cast members, and we’re looking to cast teenagers from ages 13 to 19.

**Optional Dance Workshop – Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> 10 a.m. - Noon**

**Rehearsals begin October 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Rehearsals will run Monday through Friday, 4:00-6:00 until November 20<sup>th</sup>, and then rehearsals will be moved to 6:30 – 9:30. Additional rehearsals during the winter to prepare for the spring performance.

**Staff:** Director – Sarah Kinnison, Producer – Michael Dunigan, Asst. Director & Choreographer – Amber Walker

**Where? Howell High School Freshman Campus, 1400 W Grand River, Howell**

**How?** Audition forms are found on our website, [www.cththeatre.org](http://www.cththeatre.org), if you wish to fill one out in advance. Please bring a small photo if you have one. Also bring your calendar and all conflicts from Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> to Dec 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Scripts and Music** – to check out these materials, contact Michael Dunigan at (810) 599-5669 or [mdunigan@umich.edu](mailto:mdunigan@umich.edu). Scripts may be kept for one week. There will be a \$10 deposit on all scripts which will be returned when the script is returned.

**How do I prepare?** Please be prepared to sing 16 bars of an upbeat showtune song – please bring all sheet music, a pianist will be available.

**Who can audition?** All of our auditions are open to members and non-members. But if you are not a member and are cast we do ask that you become a member. And while experience may be helpful, the Community Theatre of Howell does not require this. All we ask is your commitment to help make *A Year with Frog and Toad* the same high quality show that we strive to provide the community with all of our productions.

### CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS

**Frog** – Male – Frog is the calmer one of the two friends. Very loving and fun-loving. Often coaxing Toad into one activity or another that Toad has no intention of doing. Through the end Frog is always the best friend that Toad needs. Solo songs: *It’s Spring, Cookies, A Year With Frog and Toad.*

**Toad** – Male – Toad is the pessimistic and nervous one of the two friends. His comfort zone is about the size of door mat. Things always have to go the way they have planned, and only in the activities that he approves of. Solo songs: *Seeds, Cookies, A Year with Frog and Toad*

**Snail** – Male - Snail is given the task to deliver a letter for Frog, though he boasts that he’s “as fast as any cheetah” it takes him about a year to do so. But his enthusiasm and eagerness makes up for his slow pace to finish the job. Solo songs: *The Letter, Comin’ Out of My Shell*

**Birds** – Female and Male ensemble. They act as friends of Frog and Toad, and often appear as other animals as well.

**A Year with Frog and Toad Audition Schedule**

If you cannot attend regular auditions please contact the producer, Michael Dunigan to make an appointment for an alternative audition date.

**Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** Optional Dance Workshop 10 a.m. - Noon

**Thursday & Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>:** You need only attend one of these dates.

3:30-4:00 – Fill out paperwork

4:00-4:30 – Learn dance

4:30-6:00 – Vocal and Dance audition

**Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** Callbacks

**Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** Cast list posted by 12:00pm on the backstage theatre door and the website [www.cththeatre.org](http://www.cththeatre.org).

**Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>** Actor RoundUp

4:00-6:00 – Pick up all materials and read-through show together.

**This production is exclusively sponsored by:** First National Bank

**Costumes for *Frog and Toad* are underwritten by:**

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