



Community Theatre of Howell Announces Auditions for Disney's *Mulan, Jr.*

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Based on the 1998 Disney film "Mulan" and the story "Fa Mulan" by Robert D. San Souci

Auditions: (14 – 18 Year Olds) Friday, February 29th, 2008 at 6:30pm
(6 – 13 Year Olds) Saturday, March 1st, 2008 at 9:00am
Howell High School Freshman Campus, 1400 W. Grand River, Howell

Callbacks: Saturday, March 1st, 2008 at 3:00pm
Barnard Center, 415 N. Barnard, Howell

Performances: June 13th and 14th, 2008 at 7:00pm & June 14th and 15th, 2008 at 2:00pm

Travel back to the legendary, story-telling days of ancient China with this action-packed stage adaptation of Disney's *Mulan*. The Huns have invaded, and it is up to the misfit Mulan and her mischievous sidekick Mushu to save the Emperor! Disney's *Mulan, Jr.* is a heart-warming celebration of culture, honor and a fighting spirit. The score includes favorites like "Reflection," "Honor to Us All" and "I'll Make a Man Out of You" as well as new songs that will get you up on your feet!

We are looking for a cast of around 35 children, ages 6-18*

REHEARSALS BEGIN MARCH 3RD and will run Mondays through Wednesdays, and Fridays from 6:00pm – 9:00pm or 7:00pm – 9:30pm, with several Saturdays through the rehearsal schedule leading up to the performance dates. **Please note that it is very important that all conflicts from March 5th through June 15th be listed on the audition form. No conflicts will be allowed from May 27th to the end of the run.** All rehearsals through May 17th will be held at the Barnard Center (415 N. Barnard, Howell). Rehearsals from May 19th through the run of the show will take place at the Freshman Campus (1400 W. Grand River, Howell).

STAFF: Director: Sherry Randall; Producer: Carla Pacek; and Assistant Director: Ann Marie Foley.

WHERE: Howell High School Freshman Campus, 1400 W Grand River, Howell

HOW: You can download the audition form on our website: 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 March 5th to June 15th.

HOW TO PREPARE: A song and dance will be taught during the audition process. Additional song suggestions are listed with the character descriptions. **You may also check out the script from the show in advance by contacting the producer, Carla Pacek, at (734) 878-0166 or wascross@comcast.net.** 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.

WHO CAN AUDITION: All of our auditions are OPEN to everyone! You do not have to be a member to audition, but if you are cast, we do require 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 **Disney's *Mulan, Jr.*** the same high quality show that CTH strives to provide the community in all its efforts. **A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST BE PRESENT AT ALL TIMES DURING OUR AUDITIONS – EVEN IF YOUR CHILD IS ABLE TO DRIVE HIM/HERSELF.**

Disney's *Mulan, Jr.* Audition Schedule:

<p>Friday, February 29th 14 – 18 year olds* 6:00pm – 6:30pm – Fill out paperwork 6:30pm – 7:00pm – Begin parent interviews** 7:00pm – Auditions NO AUDITIONEES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 7:30PM</p>	<p>Saturday, March 1st 6 – 13 year olds 8:30am – 9:00am – Fill out paperwork 9:00am – 9:30am – Begin parent interviews** 9:30am – Auditions NO AUDITIONEES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 10:00AM</p>
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* Due to our contract agreement, all actors for this production must be 18 or younger as of 6/13/08.
** A parent or guardian will be required to sit with a representative of CTH to review CTH policies and expectations.

We request that all auditionees AND A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN stay until dismissed.

Cast list will be posted by Sunday, March 2nd at 5:00pm on the backstage theatre door and on the website - www.cththeatre.org.

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Disney's *Mulan, Jr.* Character Descriptions

Due to our contract agreement, all actors for this production must be 18 or younger as of 6/13/08.

Please come to the auditions prepared to sing the following audition song:

Males – ***A Girl Worth Fighting For*** (measures 8-23)

Females – ***Honor to Us All – Part 2*** (measures 92-99)

Mulan*: 12 –18 year old female. Must be a strong acting and vocal performer as well as participate and be convincing in stage combat. Should be able to convey strength and courage. Needs to be convincing in her passion and determination to protect her father and her family.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***Reflection*** (measures 18-39)

Mushu (MOOshoo): 9-16 year old male or female. Comedy very important for character but must also allow audience to feel empathy for him as he struggles to get back in the temple. Must be comfortable talking to and connecting with the audience.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***Honor to Us All – Reprise***

Shang*: 14 – 18 year old male. Must be a strong acting and vocal performer as well as convincing in stage combat. Willing to learn from Mulan and display a “fun-side” in order to defeat the enemy.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***I'll Make a Man Out of You*** (measures 1-19)

Ancestors: 12 to 18 years old. Need to have strong focus as they are observing the action of the show. Need to be strong actors and singers that can carry solo work.

Laozi (LAU-tsi): Male – Represents **Honor** and is the leader of the ancestors.

Lin: Female – Represents **Loyalty** and is the hardest on Mulan; Lin does not appreciate any challenges to the old-world belief system.

Zhang (Zang): Male – Represents **Strength**. Sort of the strong and quiet type.

Hong: Male or Female – Represents **Destiny**. Is Laozi's right hand man – or woman.

Yun (Yoon): Female – Represents **Love** and is Mulan's greatest advocate from the beginning. She is the mother figure that eventually encourages the others to support Mulan for who she is.

Callback Vocal Audition for all Ancestors**: ***Written in Stone – Part 1***

Fa Family:

Fa Zhou (faZOO)*: 14 – 18 year old male. Mulan's father. Should have strong stage presence and vocal ability.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***Honor to Us All – Part 1***

Fa Li: 12 – 18 year old female. Mulan's mother. Understands her place in her generation and culture. She is wise and strong.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***Written in Stone – Part 2*** (measures 17-26)

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Fa Family (continued):

Grandmother Fa: 12 – 18 year old female. Wise with a good sense of humor.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***Honor to Us All – Part 2*** (measures 76-89)

Matchmaker: 12 – 18 year old female. Overbearing character that can serve up comedy with a straight-man approach.

Chi Fu (cheeFU): 11-18 year old male. Political leader who is a little too confident and self-important. Anxiously waits for Shang to fail and is ready and willing to report it to the Emperor.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***A Girl Worth Fighting For*** (measures 81-106)

“The Guys”: 12 – 18 years old males. Misfits like Mulan who like to have fun. All must be willing to show their “feminine-side” to defeat the enemy.

Yao*: Tough guy who has both the bark and the bite but is a good person – way down deep.

Ling*: Sneaky, scam artist type – good hearted but not particularly bright.

Qian Po* (cheeann-PO): A sweetheart of a monk who would rather have a good meal than a battle.

Callback Vocal Audition for “The Guys”**: ***A Girl Worth Fighting For*** (measures 81-106)

The Huns:

Shan-Yu*: 14 to 18 years old male. Must have very strong stage presence. The story’s antagonist who leads the invasion on China

Magyar* and Subar-Tu*: 14 to 18 years old males. Shan-Yu’s two top soldiers

General*: male 14 to 18 years old. Shang’s father. Strong and Honorable.

Mushu-ettes/Avalanche Dancers: 11 – 18 year old females. Strong dancers and singers. Mushu’s entourage and back-up singers.

Callback Vocal Audition**: ***Honor to Us All - Reprise***

Ensemble: male and female 6 – 18 years old. Will include fathers*, mothers, daughters, sons*, dressmakers, hairdressers, groomers, Emperor’s soldiers*, Hun soldiers* and Cheongsam and fan sales people.

* Role may require stage combat

** These callback vocal audition songs will ONLY be presented during callbacks, if you are called back.

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