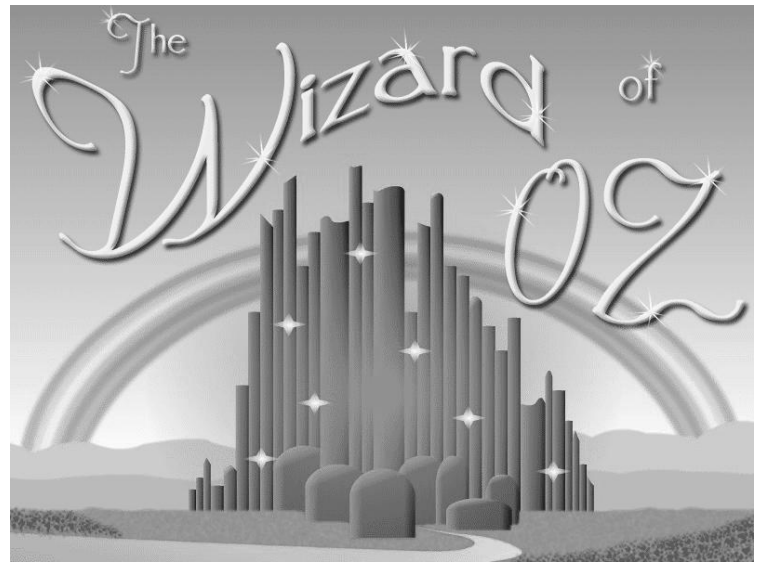


# Announcing Auditions



Written by L. Frank Baum, Adapted by Frank Gabrielson  
With music and lyrics of the MGM motion picture score by Harold Arlen and E.Y. Harburg  
Background Music by Herbert Stothart

The Community theatre of Howell is pleased to announce the auditions for the fall musical, *The Wizard of Oz*. This classic musical tells the story of a young Kansas girl named Dorothy who dreams of what life is like “Over the Rainbow.” After a cyclone hits her farmhouse, she finds herself lost in Oz. There, she befriends many fascinating characters. With their help, she struggles to find her way back home and battles the wicked forces of the Wicked Witch of the West.

This musical offers various roles for all ages (see character descriptions on the next page). Auditions will be held on Thursday and Friday nights and Saturday, **August 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007** at the Howell High School Freshman Campus in Howell, Michigan. The audition schedule is as follows:

**Tuesday August 14, 2007 – 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Children) 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Adults) Audition Dance Workshop (not mandatory):** Learn the chorus and principal character audition dances.

**Thursday and Friday – High school age and adults (including all principal leads and Featured Dancers)**

Thursday – 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. – registration and learn the audition dance (No auditionees will be accepted after 8:30 p.m.)

Thursday – 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. – featured dancers learn their audition dance/featured dancers audition

Thursday – 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. – Vocal and dance auditions

Friday 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. – reading auditions

**Saturday – Children ages 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade (including those with solo lines and spoken dialogue)**

Saturday 8:30 a.m. to noon – children 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade (No auditionees will be accepted after 10:30 a.m.)

Saturday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 – children 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade (No auditionees will be accepted after 3:00 p.m.)

Saturday 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Callbacks for all ages (If necessary)

Sunday, August 19, 2007 – Cast list posted by 6:00 p.m. on back door of the theatre and on our website ([www.cththeatre.org](http://www.cththeatre.org)).

**Rehearsals** run from August 20, 2007 through November 8, 2007 usually beginning at 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. with some Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Performances** are November 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 2007 (8 shows total with two on each Saturday)

Adults interested in chorus roles should come prepared to sing a portion of “Merry Old Land of Oz” (measures 45 to 59). If you are interested in one of the principal characters, you will be asked to sing portions of specific songs from the show. A pianist will be provided. In addition, everyone will be asked to learn some simple dance steps. For those interested in speaking roles, you will be asked to perform some readings from the **script**. If you have a picture and resume, please bring those as well.

Children should come prepared to sing a portion of “Ding Dong the Witch is Dead” from the Munchkin Land Musical Sequence. If auditioning for the Lullaby League or Lollipop Guild, you will be asked to sing portions of those songs as well. All children who audition are asked to bring a recent school photo. (Photos cannot be returned.)

Scripts and vocal selections are available to check out for one week (\$20.00) deposit by calling Producer Shannon Millington at (517) 548-5091, cell (517) 294-1930, or by leaving a message on the CTH answering machine at (517) 545-1290. Artistic questions may be addressed to the director Scott Usher at (517) 540-1365.

**Location:** Howell High School Freshman Campus  
1400 W. Grand River Avenue  
Howell, MI 48844  
[www.cththeatre.org](http://www.cththeatre.org)

#### Additional Information

- Please wear loose clothing and soft shoes. We will open at 5:30 p.m. on August 16, 6:30 p.m. on August 17, and 8:00 a.m. on August 18.
- The audition form is available on our website if you wish to complete it prior to arrival.
- Parent volunteers are expected and necessary to assure a positive and safe experience for your children.

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Assistant Director: Mary Jo Del Vero

Choreographer: Maria Usher

Musical Director: Brian Pearson

Vocal Director: Melinda Towns

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