

Community Theatre of Howell Announces Auditions for



A part of
THE BROADWAY JUNIOR COLLECTION™
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Auditions: (13 – 18 Year Olds) Friday, September 18, 2009 at 6:30pm
(6 – 12 Year Olds) Saturday, September 19, 2009 at 8:30am

Howell High School Freshman Campus, 1400 W. Grand River Ave., Howell, MI

School Performances: (morning shows) – December 15, 16 and 17, 2009
(PLEASE BE AWARE THAT YOU MUST BE ABLE TO BE ABSENT FROM
SCHOOL ON THE DAYS OF THE SCHOOL PERFORMANCES)
Public Performances: December 18, 19 and 20, 2009

Cast list will be posted by Sunday, 9/20/09 at 5:00pm on the backstage theatre door and on the website - www.cththeatre.org.

Based on the Emmy® Award-winning 1970s educational cartoon series, *Schoolhouse Rock Live! Junior* uses a wide variety of musical styles to teach grammar, math, science, history, social studies and political science while telling the story of Tom, a nerve-wracked schoolteacher nervous about his first day of teaching. He tries to relax by watching TV when various characters representing facets of his personality emerge from the set and show him how to win his students over with imagination and music, through such beloved Schoolhouse Rock songs as "Just A Bill," "A Noun is a Person, Place or Thing" and "Conjunction Junction." Children just discovering the TV series to "Generation X-ers" seeking a taste of nostalgia will delight in this sure-fire entertainment that's simply good, clean – and educational – fun. We are looking for a cast of around 12 children ages 6-18.

REHEARSALS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 21, 2009. Please note that it is very important that all conflicts from September 21st through December 21st be submitted on the audition form. No conflicts will be allowed from November 25th through the end of the run. WE WILL BE REHEARSING THANKSGIVING WEEK!!!

STAFF: Director: Sherry Randall; Producer: Ann O'Reilly; Asst. Director: Caleb Wimbrow; Vocal/Music Director: Susan Harvey

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

HOW: You can download the audition form on our website: www.cththeatre.org, if you wish to fill one out in advance. A small photo is required. Also, bring your calendar and all conflicts from September 21st through December 21st.

HOW TO PREPARE: It is strongly recommended that anyone planning to audition attend the dance workshop that will be held on Tuesday September 15th from 6pm to 8pm at the Barnard Center. You may also obtain a copy of the script in advance by contacting the producer, Ann O'Reilly, at 517-282-5924 or annoreilly11@yahoo.com.

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 *Schoolhouse Rock Live! Junior* 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.**

Audition Schedule:

Friday, September 18, 2009 13 – 18 year olds 6:30pm – 7:00pm – Fill out paperwork 7:00pm – 7:30pm – Begin parent interviews** 7:30pm – Auditions NO AUDITIONEES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 7:00PM	Saturday, September 19, 2009 6 – 12 year olds 9:00am – 9:30am – Fill out paperwork 9:30am – 10:00am – Begin parent interviews** 10:00am – Auditions NO AUDITIONEES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 9:30AM
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**** 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.

Schoolhouse Rock Live! Junior Character Descriptions

All Cast: Must have clear crisp diction and be able to sing harmony

Tom: **Male. 15 – 18 years old.** A young teacher who is getting ready to face his new class for the first time. Nervous to begin with but grows more confident as the show progresses. He is likeable, charming and friendly. Strong actor, good singer, able to dance.

Vocal Audition: “Interplanet Janet”, measures 64 – 73.

George: **Male. 12 – 18 years old.** Romantic, caring and in control part of Tom. Must be good character actor and strong singer and dancer. Vocal range: Baritone/Tenor (B flat. – E). Vocal solos in the following songs: “Three is a Magic Number” & “I’m Just a Bill”.

Vocal Audition: “Three is a Magic Number”, measures 5 - 29 & “Just a Bill”, measures 7 – 19.

Dori: **Female. 12 – 18 years old.** Silly and playful, she is the goofy side of Tom. Must be good character actor, strong singer who can lead the ensemble and dancer. Vocal range: Alto (G – D) Must be able to sing country-western style. Vocal solos in the following songs: “A Noun is a Person, Place or Thing”, “The Preamble”, “Great American Melting Pot”, & “Elbow Room.”

Vocal Audition: “A Noun is a Person, Place or Thing”, measures 4 - 20 & “The Preamble”, measures 18 – 33.

Shulie: **Female. 10 – 18 years old.** The sweet and genuine side of Tom. Must be good character actor, strong singer and dancer. Vocal range: Mezzo/Alto (C – G). Vocal solos in the following songs: “Unpack your Adjectives”, & “Interplanet Janet”.

Vocal Audition: “Unpack your Adjectives”, measures 5 – 15, & “Interplanet Janet”, measures 4 – 30.

Joe: **Male. 12 – 18 years old.** The cool, laid-back side of Tom. Must be good character actor and strong singer and dancer. Vocal range – Tenor (B flat. – E). Vocal Lead in: “Conjunction Junction”, “Great American Melting Pot”.

Vocal Audition: “Conjunction Junction” measures 6 – 36.

Dina: **Female. 12 – 18 years old.** The mature side of Tom. She is thoughtful and grounded. Must be good character actor, strong singer and dancer. Vocal range: Mezzo/Alto (A – E). Vocal solos in “Unpack your Adjectives”, “Interjection” & “Great American Melting Pot”. Ability to sing harmony.

Vocal Audition: “Interjection”, measures 5 - 23 & “Conjunction Junction” measures 6 – 27.

Elvis Impersonator/Chorus: **Male. 10 – 18 years old.** Vocal lead in “Do the Circulation”.

Vocal Audition: “Do the Circulation”, measures 5 – 21.

Chorus parts – male and female. 6 – 18 years old. Chorus members will make up the students from Tom’s class. Need to be able to sing, act and dance. Boy’s vocal range: Baritones - Tenors (B flat. – D). Girl’s vocal range: Altos – Sopranos (A – G).

Vocal Audition: “A Noun is a Person, Place or Thing”, measures 11 – 20.

The director reserves the right to cast outside of the listed descriptions.