

Musicfully Musical Theater Janney+ 2023-2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Musicfully Musical Theater 2023-2024 Season! We are so excited to be able to work with students all year long to build and perform our musical. This year we will be performing the classic musical *Annie*! Below you'll find some information that will help us run as smoothly and successfully as possible. Thanks so much for taking the time to read and please let us know if you have any questions.

Each student will be given audition materials and a script (arriving shortly) please make sure to have your student bring their materials to each class.

We have created a website for all of the information that you and our students will need for the program. This includes a playlist so that students can familiarize themselves with the music and practice at home. Please have your child start listening to the songs we will be working on. You can find it at <u>https://www.musicfully.com/janney/</u> or by scanning the appropriate QR code below.

Each week, we will be sending students home with specific tasks to work on. Most often it will be reviewing what we worked on in class that day.

Students will be auditioning for roles, dialogue, and solos based on their comfort level (more info on auditions below). We ask that all students have their lines, solos, and group numbers **memorized by the April 25th**. (We promise we'll help them make this achievable, we've got a whole section on memorization planned)

Working together with our faculty, students will brainstorm what they will use as a costume for our show. We ask that you please assist your child in finding the appropriate pieces. Most if not all costume pieces can be things that our students already have.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with our production, please send an email at <u>support@musicfully.com</u> We are hoping to add more technical elements to the show this year so if you have any experience with set building, props, costumes, or lights, and are interested in helping please let us know.

We would like to formally **invite you to our final performance** taking place on the last day of class on May 30th at 4pm. Please see our invite below.

Lastly we ask that you fill in our contact form (qrcode below). That way we can communicate any further information with you. Thank you and see you at the show!!

Best, Rebecca Henry

Director

The audition experience

Audition date: October 5th

In preparation for the show, we will be asking all students to sing for the directors. Over the course of the first three weeks of class, we will be introducing and preparing students for their auditions. For some of our students, this will be their first show ever. Our goal is to make the process enjoyable for all students, where they have a positive experience not just auditioning but learning how to audition. In class we'll be covering what they will need to present at the audition as well as how to mentally prepare for auditions and casting decisions. All students will be cast and we'll work to find a role that fits their personalities, experience, and comfort level.

Expectations:

- All students will need to present an audition for Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Laterria.
- Students will be asked if they would like to be considered for a role and would prefer to be in the ensemble only.
- We will be prepping all actors with cuts from two songs, a dialogue from the show, and a dance sequence. Songs and script are Included in the packet.
- October 5th, we will be taking a photo of each actor to be used in our show program. If you do not wish to have your child photographed please let us know at <u>support@musicfully.com</u>
- Actors are asked to wear audition attire, something they feel confident in. This means something that they can move comfortably in during our dance section but that will present them in put together fashion. We'll walk students through this as well.

Materials

- Maybe
- Hard knock life
- Scene
- Dance (taught during class)

Casting

We know auditions can be a high intensity experience. Our goal is to give students the skill and tools to present themselves confidently. We will be assessing students based on their audition and during the classes leading up to auditions.

What we'll be looking for

- Preparation of material (all students will be taught material during class but are expected to review and practice at home, this will be the same with show material)
- Confidence with material
- Attentiveness during class
- Ability to take direction
- Openness to feedback
- Participating and contributing without disrupting
- Helping to create a positive learning environment for all students

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns. support@musicfully.com

Looking forward to working with you all!

Happy music making!

website https://www.musicfully.com/janney



Contact information form https://forms.gle/qeLCzwyUny5aqSzi9

