



AU D I T I O N S

****Non-Paying, Non-Equity****

Miracle on 34th Street

From the novel by Valentine Davies

Adapted by the Mountain Community Theater

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatic Publishing

Directed by Jeff Burke Produced by Linda Brent

SHOW DATES: Evenings November 29, 30, December 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 at 8 p.m.

Matinees are December 1, 8, and 14 at 2 p.m.

****An additional matinee could be added on Saturday, December 8 at 2 p.m.**

The Story

MIRACLE ON 34th STREET is a 1947 American Christmas comedy-drama based on a story by Valentine Davies. The film version was first released as THE BIG HEART in the United Kingdom starring Maureen O'Hara, John Payne, Natalie Wood and Edmund Gwenn. It won 3 Academy Awards for Best Supporting Actor, Valentine Davies for Best Writing of an Original Story, as well as Best Screenplay Writing. The film was also nominated for Best Picture, losing to Gentleman's Agreement. For more than 70 years, George Seaton's MIRACLE ON 34th STREET has been a "go-to holiday classic". It is the kind of spirited, burst-your-heart plot that makes you want to spread the Christmas cheer.

The story takes place between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day in New York City, and focuses on the effect of a department store Santa Claus, who claims to be the real Santa. He is hired to play the Santa at Macy's flagship New York store. Ignoring instructions and insisting he is the "real" Santa, moves this touching story forward.

CAST (* some roles may be doubled as well as gender change)

Doris Walker (F – 30–40 years) – personnel manager at Macy's Department Store

Fred Gailey (M – 35-45 years) – a lawyer and neighbour to Doris and Susan

Kris Kringle (M – 50+) – Santa Claus

Susan Walker (F – 7-10) – daughter of Doris

- * Doctor Pierce (M / F) - physician at the Maplewood Home for the Aged
- * Judge Harper (M / F) – Judge of the New York State court
- * Sawyer (M / F) – Macy's vocational guidance counselor
- * Halloran (M / F) – Judge Harper's political campaign manager
- * Mara (M / F) – prosecuting attorney
- * Shellhammer (M / F) – Doris' assistant
- * R. H. Macy (M / F) – owner and manager of Macy's Department Store
- * Bloomingdale (M / F) – owner and manager of Bloomingdale's Department Store
- * Finley (M / F) – courtroom bailiff
- * Mara Jr (M / F) – child of prosecutor Mara
- * Al & Lou (M / F) - post office mail sorters
- * Dutch Orphan (M / F)
- * Dutch Girl's Foster Mother (F)
- * Duncan (M / F) – antelope keeper at Central Park Zoo
- * New Broadcaster / Reporter(s) (M / F)
- * Drunken Santa Claus (M)
- * Bag Lady (F) and Rich Person (F)

BOOKING AN AUDITION

AUDITION DATES:

Sunday, September 22, 2019 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Monday, September 23, 2019 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Tuesday, September 24, 2019 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

CALLBACKS: (IF NEEDED) Thursday, September 26, 2019 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

(CALLBACKS ONLY: PLEASE BE PREPARED TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THE FULL 3 HOURS)

Requirements: Please prepare a short comedic monologue or light dramatic monologue – no more than 2 minutes. Be prepared to be re-directed as well as some simple blocking instructions. Also please be prepared to speak about yourself for 90 seconds or so. **Please read the play.** A copy of the play will be on hold at the 5th floor ARTS Desk, Toronto Reference Library. Please bring headshot/photo (photocopy will do) and resume.

Auditions must be booked in advance

TO REQUEST AN AUDITION, SEND AN E-MAIL TO audition4sp@gmail.com

OR by phone (416) 439-1104 - Please leave your name & number VERY clearly.

By email or telephone, please indicate your preferred audition date and time(s).

Please note: Email is the most efficient way to book an audition

Auditions are booked in 10-minute slots. Please indicate the role(s) in which you are interested.

Auditions and Rehearsals will be held at 780 Birchmount, Unit 5 (West side of Birchmount, south of Eglinton, beside the Alison's Fine Foods. TTC accessible by #17 Bus from Warden Station or any Eglinton West bus from Kennedy Station. However, Eglinton is under construction and traffic is very slow from Kennedy. Some north/south streets like Birchmount and Warden can be closed at Eglinton causing transit to re-route. Please check with TTC for updates.

First read-through will be Sunday, September 29, 2019 from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Most rehearsals will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. and Sundays, 1 – 5 p.m.

Some rehearsals and all performances are at Scarborough Village Theatre, 3600 Kingston Road (at Markham Road).

Additional rehearsals may be added as we move closer to the production opening. There may also be the need to incorporate other rehearsal days to schedule other parts of the play, i.e. chorus, elves show, youth workshops, etc.

You will be asked to please list ANY potential conflicts from September 29 – December 14, 2019 on audition forms.

***** If ticket sales demand, we would add an additional matinee on Saturday, December 8 at 2 p.m. – please keep this date available.***

This production will be entered in the Act-Co Festival for adjudication.

Scarborough Players is an inclusive community theatre company and encourages all interested individuals from all backgrounds to audition.

Those auditioning must be Non-Equity performers and understand that this is a non-paying production.

We do not enter into any contracts or agreements with CAEA or ACTRA.