

Young People's Theater



AUDITION READINGS.

General Instructions: Prepare for your reading(s). Memorization is not required! A notecard with the readings will be provided to you at your audition. Locate the appropriate category below for more specific instructions.

All Performers Grade K-6: Choose one (1) of the readings below to present at your audition. You may be asked to present additional readings.

All Performers Grade 7-12: Choose two (2) of the readings below to present at your audition. You may be asked to present additional readings.

ELLA

What a handsome man that was! And so kind and generous. That man? A world leader? But he appears to have a heart, mind and soul. It can't be. Marie, you're crazy!

MADAME (Stepmother)

Gabrielle! Do not talk to that man. We are teetering precariously between upper-middle class and lower-upper class. We cannot be seen talking to a revolutionary!

CHARLOTTE (Stepsister)

The prince has fallen head over heels for someone else. If he keeps this up, I might not go out with him! The way he looked at her. With respect! I hope no man ever looks at me that way.

GABRIELLE (Stepsister)

If I promise to keep your secret of the Prince, can you keep my secret of forbidden lover? *(Beat.)* It's Jean-Michel. The firebrand. He wants to change the world and make it a better place. You gotta love a guy like that.

MARIE (Fairy Godmother)

You'd be surprised how many beautiful gowns have crazy women in them! I am really your fairy godmother. Actually, I'm *everyone's* fairy godmother. But you are the only one who's given me charity. Generosity. And kindness. And now, I must make all the dreams we joked about come true!

PRINCE TOPHER

Me? Get married? That's just silly. I don't know any girls. I went to an all-boys school off in the woods. Then attended an all-male university, on an island. Why did you do that to me?

SEBASTIAN (Prince Topher's Advisor)

The fact remains, sire — you will be king and very soon. When your sainted mother and father passed away and left you in my charge, I promised them when you came of age, you would be prepared for your reign. I'm sure it will come to you. Until then, might I suggest faking it?

LORD PINKELTON

To attend the ball, all one requires is an invitation and suitably fashionable attire! And, the Prince shall choose a woman from the ball to be his bride. That means *anyone* can be the queen!

JEAN-MICHEL

Gabrielle. I have brought a book from University for you, with pictures of how people in other lands live. And how they govern. Norway, Italy, Japan... And four days from now I would like to take you on a date. I'm organizing a soup kitchen. We need someone to stir. And ladle.