

Village Theatre

KIDSTAGE

2023 Spring Ensemble Production

Disney's *Descendants*

CASTING NOTICE & CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

KIDSTAGE Mission

KIDSTAGE is a youth development program focused on building “Skills for Theatre Skills for Life.” Our mission is to provide a program for young people which uses theatre arts to teach creativity and responsibility, to encourage teamwork and personal integrity, and to foster self-esteem and appreciation for live theatre.

KIDSTAGE Inclusion Statement

Village Theatre KIDSTAGE believes that everyone benefits from an inclusive, multi-cultural environment of students, staff, and programming. We welcome people of every ethnicity, race, faith, sexual orientation, gender identity, income, and ability.

Why was Disney's *Descendants* selected?

Based on the wildly popular movie franchise, Disney's *Descendants* expands the world of characters we know and love from the Disney canon as we learn about the fate of infamous villains and the heroes who won the day as they all work to create a new world, full of joy, peace, and prosperity. This musical adaptation challenges audiences to be open minded to how anyone can learn and grow from mistakes and become all the better for it and, most importantly, that no one is born evil, nothing is preordained, and that we alone have the power to make our own choices on who we want to be and how we handle situations.

Project Needs

We encourage actors of all genders, ethnicities, bodies, abilities, skill levels, etc. to audition and to be considered for any of the roles.

Character Breakdown

CAST SIZE: 22-26 actors

Characters from the Isle of the Lost

MAL

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Our hero and Maleficent's daughter; under her hardened, sarcastic exterior, she has a sense of justice and a heart of gold.

EVIE

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

The Evil Queen Grimhilde's daughter; hides her brilliance behind a superficial, image-obsessed attitude.

JAY

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

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Race/Ethnicity: Any

Jafar's son; an outwardly arrogant thief; he conceals a strategic, collaborative nature.

CARLOS

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Cruella de Vil's son; despite a fear of dogs and just about everything else, he has the capacity to be brave and kind.

MALEFICENT

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

The infamous evil fairy; a profoundly selfish absentee parent with an unquenchable taste for vengeance.

GRIMHILDE (THE EVIL QUEEN)

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Snow White's wicked adversary; an aging beauty queen, still desperate to be the fairest of them all.

JAFAR

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Aladdin's nemesis; a slimy, washed-up crime lord desperate for a way back to the top.

CRUELLA DE VIL

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Ethnicity: Any

A Dalmatian loving dog-snatcher; an obsessive, eccentric, and overbearing helicopter mom.

Characters from the Kingdom of Auradon

BEN

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Son of the Beast and Belle; a classically regal, optimistic kid who bears the weight of soon becoming King of Auradon.

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KING BEAST

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Ben's father an King of Auradon; royal and rule-driven, he knows a bit about being marginalized.

QUEEN BELLE

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Ben's mother and Queen of Auradon; warm, but cautious, she doesn't understand her son's generation.

FAIRY GODMOTHER

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Headmistress of Auradon Prep; busy and bubbly, she'll do anything to keep the school afloat.

JANE

Gender: Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Fairy Godmother's daughter; meek and mousy, but hungry for attention, she's looking for her moment to shine.

CHAD

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Cinderella and Prince Charming's son; an arrogant and spoiled blockhead, he's never wanted for anything.

AUDREY

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Sleeping Beauty's daughter; the malicious queen bee of Auradon Prep, has her eye on the throne.

DOUG

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Dopey's son; nerdy and sweet, he does all the work that his fellow students don't want to do.

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ROYAL PAGE

Gender: Any

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Auradonian messenger; enormously nervous.

ROYAL GUARD

Gender: Any

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Museum employee; less than vigilant.

MAURICE

Gender: Male or Masc Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Chemistry teacher and Belle's father; kooky and stuck in his ways.

COACH

Gender: Any

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Tournament coach; resigned to the team's mediocrity until meeting a surprise star player.

SNOW WHITE

Gender: Female or Femme Identifying

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Red carpet reporter; the voice of the masses.

Ensemble Characters

Diverse and well-rounded people of the following groups and communities. Actors of all genders, ethnicities, bodies, abilities, skill levels, etc. These people have stories of their own.

ISLE ENSEMBLE

Character Age: Any

Gender: Any

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Including Smitten Kids 1 & 2; inhabitants of the Isle.

AUDRADONIANS

Character Age: Any

Gender: Any

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Race/Ethnicity: Any

Including Auradonians 1 & 2; students at Auradon Prep.

CORONATION CROWD

Character Age: Any

Gender: Any

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Including Crowd Members 1, 2, & 3; guests at the coronation.

AURADONIAN CHOIR

Character Age: Any

Gender: Any

Race/Ethnicity: Any

Auradon Prep's a capella group.