



JUNIOR ENSEMBLE AUDITION INFORMATION PACK

Do you want to be part of Saffron Walden’s professional festive extravaganza? Perhaps you have been to see a production before and wished you were on stage? We promise to bring you everything you’d expect from a professional festive show... and more! Dazzling costumes, fabulous scenery and some truly magical surprises are just a few of the things you can look forward to if you take part. It is guaranteed to be full of magical moments that you will NEVER forget.

We are looking for 2 teams of junior and senior dancers to join Dorothy on her journey down the yellow brick road this year. The 2 Junior cast teams will rotate performances throughout the run of the show. This is your chance to perform in front of thousands of people – an amazing experience you won’t want to miss.

This year we are looking for an all singing, all dancing chorus of young people aged between **9 and 16** who are full of personality, performance and who can move well.

Auditions will take place on **Sunday 19th September 2021 at the following times:**

Time	Who	Location
10.00 - 11.30	Junior Dancer Auditions (Recommended Age 9-11)	Saffron Hall, Saffron Walden
12.00 -13.30	Senior Dancer Auditions (Recommended Age 12+)	Saffron Hall, Saffron Walden

Registration will start 15mins before each session. Anyone under the age of 16 will be required to be signed in by an adult.

To audition, please read through all the information contained in this pack and then submit an online signup form. **We encourage you to register before the day as there is a limit of how many applicants we can accept.**

Please note that you will not need to bring any audition material with you on the day as it will be provided by **KD Theatre Productions**. This ensures that everyone is auditioned fairly from the same material. During the audition, we will teach everyone a short dance routine. It is important to try your best and show us lots of personality and energy – this is so important with performing, especially in a pantomime! We are looking for potential and ambition so just try your best, enjoy each moment, and remember we are here to help you do your best!

Successful applicants will hear within 2 weeks of the audition.

We look forward to seeing you all at the audition, and as they say in the theatre world...**BREAK A LEG EVERYONE!**

Katherine & Daniel **Producers ‘KD Theatre Productions’**



Audition Application Notes

1. If your child has a successful audition, we will contact you and send you all the relevant information to explain the next steps – such as obtaining child performance licenses and organising chaperoning.
2. If you agree to your child joining the Junior Chorus, they will be expected to make a full contribution to the success of the pantomime by using their talents in acting, singing and dancing, as directed within the production. During rehearsals and performances, they will be expected to comply with all production requirements, as laid down by the Theatre and Production staff, regarding costumes and make-up and any other performance related matters. They will be required to attend all rehearsals & performances as called. Failure to do so may result in their being withdrawn from the production. Please ensure your child understands the commitment they are making.
3. Children must be aged **9+** by December 2021
4. Due to licensing restrictions, a fee cannot be paid to any child performing in this production
5. The provisional **Rehearsal & Performance Schedule** is as follows (this is subject to change):

Date – Times TBC	Rehearsals
Monday 13 th December 2021	Rehearsals (Evening TBC)
Tuesday 14 th December 2021	Rehearsals (Evening TBC)
Wednesday 15 th December 2021	Rehearsals (Evening TBC)
Thursday 16 th December 2021	Rehearsals (Evening TBC)
Friday 17 th December 2021	Rehearsals (Evening TBC)
Saturday 18 th December 2021	Rehearsals
20 th December – 31 st December 2021	Tech/Dress Rehearsals and Performances, as scheduled

6. Rehearsals will be held in **Saffron Walden**. Final dress rehearsals and the Performances will be held at **Saffron Hall, Saffron Walden**
7. Should your child be selected from the auditions and you agree to him / her joining the Junior Chorus, please be aware of the following costs and commitments:
 - You will be required to purchase one pair of Jazz dance shoes for the show (unless you already have a pair). These will remain my child’s property after the show has finished. You may also need to provide dance tights. *If you are unable to purchase a pair of jazz shoes for your child, support will be offered.*
 - Parents/Guardians of the children will be required to volunteer for at least 2 performances over the course of the pantomime run. Volunteer duties could include, Chaperoning or Parent DBS helper.
 - Production T-shirts / Hoodies and other merchandise will be available to purchase on acceptance of your child’s place.



**Saffron
Hall**



8. Your child may need time off school for some of the shows. You must make your child's school aware of this – School permission forms and licence material will be discussed with parents or carers on acceptance of your place.
9. All the rehearsals listed in the schedule are compulsory. Your child will be required to attend rehearsals on the dates shown and you must ensure that your child can attend.

What to do next

Please fill in the online application form – by clicking [HERE](#) or through the link on our websites.

We look forward to meeting everyone on Sunday 19th September 2021. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on the details below.

Best wishes
KD Theatre Productions