

Oliver Jr. Zoom Rehearsal Meeting Notes
September 1st, 2021

Introductions

- Mr. Arndt - Director
- Mr. Bezler - Producer
- Miss Ally - Choreographer
- Miss Schafer - Music Director
- Jesse and Jake - Muhlenberg Alumni Helpers

Oliver Jr.'s performance dates are November 12th - 13th

Possibility of Virtual Rehearsal Tomorrow (9/2)

- If Muhlenberg is virtual tomorrow, our rehearsal will also be virtual.
- Miss Schafer will be teaching what you need to sing at your audition
- If we are in-person tomorrow, you will also sign up for your audition time. 9th graders pick their times first, then 8th graders, then 7th graders.
- Text @mmsoliver to 81010 to stay updated

Tuesday's (9/7) Auditions

- Even if we aren't in-person tomorrow, we will be holding auditions on Tuesday.
- Auditions are from 3:00-6:00 after school
- For Tuesday's auditions, you will need to prepare a monologue, and you will need to sing the first 35 measures of Food Glorious Food

Monologue Preparation

- You must select a monologue to perform. Google search monologues, and go with something relatively short. Monologues shouldn't be much longer than 3 minutes.
- Here is a website with free monologues
<https://www.dramanotebook.com/monologues-kids-teenagers/>
When making your selection, please remember to pick one that is SCHOOL APPROPRIATE.
- When preparing your monologue, remember to practice speaking LOUD AND CLEAR! The more confident you are, the better impressions you will have.
- Monologues do not need to be memorized, but you will receive some "bonus points" if you do perform it memorized.
- PRACTICE PRACTICE PRACTICE
- If you don't have your monologue memorized, bring a printed copy of it to your audition. Don't use your phone.
- ****Oliver Jr.'s characters speak with a British accent. If you feel confident that your British accent sounds similar to the chimney sweeps from Marry Poppins, use it in your audition! If not, don't use an accent!!!

Music Preparation

- If we are in-person tomorrow, Miss Schafer will have printed copies of the music for your audition. You will be singing the first 35 measures of Food Glorious Food
- If we are virtual tomorrow, please visit Miss Schafer's Teacher Page to print out the sheet music
- <https://www.muhsdk12.org/domain/1033>
Miss Schafer's Teacher Page also includes the rehearsal tracks (with voices) and the accompaniment tracks (no voices) for the audition music, and the call back music.
- ***If Miss Schafer gives you a direction about the music in rehearsal tomorrow, it would be a really good idea to follow that direction!! The better you take direction during this audition process, the better impression you will have!!!

Dance Preparation

- Dance Auditions will be on on Wednesday September 8th from 3:00-4:30
- Please wear comfortable shoes and clothes that you can dance in!!!!
- If you have shoes from previous shows, wear those!!
- You will never dance by yourself. You will learn the choreography with everyone, then perform it in smaller groups

Callbacks

- Callbacks are for when the directors have multiple people in mind for a part. We call you back so we can see more of what you are capable of, and to see how well you take direction/work with others
- Callbacks will be on Thursday, September 9th from 3:00-4:30.
- Miss Schafer will be reviewing the callback songs at tomorrow's rehearsals, but you can look at them right now on Miss Schafer's Website. All rehearsal and accompaniment tracks are already posted
- Callbacks will be posted the night before

Cast List

- The cast list will be posted on Friday, September 10th on the bulletin board outside of the auditorium

Scheduling

- During the month of September, Monday's rehearsals will be from 6:00-8:00 PM
- Tuesday-Thursday rehearsals will be 3-5 during September, 3-5:30 in October, and 3-6 in November
- If you are in a sport, chorus roles meet Monday nights from 6-8:30

Mr. Arndt's email: mikearndt@aol.com
(only email with questions about monologues)

Other questions, please email Miss Schafer at schaferj@muhsdk12.net

Thank you all for being so flexible today! We hope to see you IN PERSON tomorrow!!!