



## AUDITION INFO

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The Center Stage theatre department is producing 2 entirely different shows with 2 separate casts this fall! The Senior Cast (8th-12th grades) will be performing *Into the Woods, Jr.* & and the Junior Cast (2nd-7th grades) will be performing *The Jungle Book Kids!* Each cast will receive the same high level of production quality that Center Stage provides!

Please review all the information provided in this packet. If you have further questions, please call or text Center Stage at 660-747-6133.

### AUDITION INFORMATION

**When:** **Friday, August 20th starting @ 5pm**

Auditionees must sign up for an audition spot ahead of time via the link on the CSA studio website: <https://www.centerstageacademy.org/auditionsfall2021>

**Where:** **Center Stage Academy**

349 SE DD Highway  
Warrensburg, MO 64093

**Attire:** ***Auditionees should dress for success in clothes that make them feel confident and enhance their individual personality. It's important to dress nicely and have a polished appearance so that directors know that you take the audition seriously. Hair should be pulled out of the face in a style that you like. Please no hats, it hides your face.***

**Preparation:** For *Into the Woods*: Prepare a song selection of your choice no more than 1 minute in length  
For *The Jungle Book*: Prepare the pre-selected song selection listed under Audition Materials below and on the CSA studio website.

### ***Audition Format***

Please arrive 10 minutes before your scheduled audition time. Upon arrival to the audition, each actor needs to check in and have their photograph taken. Actors will then perform their prepared song for the directors in the order of the time slots signed up for in advance. As soon as they are finished with their audition, they are free to go.

### ***Callbacks***

If the directors find it necessary to see any actors for additional readings or singing, callback auditions will be on **Wednesday, August 25th @ 7:30pm**. A callback list will be posted on the Center Stage website by Monday, August 23rd.

### ***Additional Audition Information***

Auditions will be closed (meaning only children auditioning will be allowed in the audition room.) Young actors may be accompanied by one parent that can wait in the lobby or parents can wait in their cars during the brief audition.

As with all auditions, there will be some children that are not cast in the production. It is important to understand this before auditioning and for parents to help prepare their children for this possibility. We try to include as many actors as possible but logistically there is only room for a certain number of performers on the stage. It is our goal to cast the best actor for each role while considering the many factors that influence casting: singing (quality and range), acting (character, diction, timing, projection, etc.), dancing (character movement and skill), height, physical appearance in relationship to others being cast, connection to the audience, ability and willingness to take direction, respect for directors and other performers, and overall attitude. If you are not cast, we encourage you to sign up to help backstage.

## **PRODUCTION INFORMATION**

### ***Performances***

Located at Warrensburg High School Lecture Hall, dates TBA, estimated dates mid-October through early November.

### ***Rehearsals***

- Rehearsals will be between the following times: Friday evenings 4:00-9:00pm pm AND Saturdays 9:00am-5:00pm beginning the weekend of August 27th through Performance Dates.
- Mandatory dress rehearsal on date(s): TBA

Rehearsals will be scheduled on Fridays and Saturdays from **August 27th-performance dates**. Detailed rehearsal schedules will be available on our website as they become available. Depending on their part, performers may not be called for rehearsal on certain days or they may only be called for a portion of rehearsal. Attendance is absolutely necessary at every rehearsal you are called for. On the audition form there is a place for you to put your known conflicts between these dates. If we know now, it is easier to accommodate minor conflicts. However, if we feel your conflicts will be too difficult to schedule around, you will not be cast in this production. Conflicts that come up after casting has been posted or rehearsals begin will not be considered in scheduling and you will be expected to be at the rehearsal.

### ***Production Fee and Other Expenses***

- Each cast member (regardless of part) is required to pay a **production fee of \$150**. This fee is used directly to offset the cost of show licensing, script rental, orchestration rental, facility rental, costumes and technical elements of the production. The production fee will be due in two payments. \$75.00 is due at the first rehearsal and \$75.00 is due September 15th. Payments may be charged to your account on file at Center Stage.
- Optional Show T-shirt (\$20-\$25)
- Show Tickets (\$10-\$12 per ticket)
- Possible cost of costumes not supplied such as, socks, tights, shoes, jeans, etc.

## ***Video Auditions***

If you are unable to attend the audition, you may submit a video. Keep in mind, it is always better to audition in person but sometimes conflicts may be unavoidable. Audition videos and audition forms must be received by 6pm on Friday, August 20th to be considered. Please email a link to [info@centerstageacademy.org](mailto:info@centerstageacademy.org).

## ***Other Information***

- Cast members are required to be at ALL rehearsals for which they are scheduled and at ALL performances.
- Only conflicts listed on your audition form will be excused.
- If an absence is necessary, in case of emergency or illness, please contact the director. More than two absences may result in dismissal from the show.

## ***Casting***

The cast list will be posted at Center Stage Academy on **Thursday, August 26th**. A list will also be posted on the studio website. Please fill in the Production Agreement online form as soon as casting is posted. Please do not call the studio for casting information.

## **AUDITION MATERIALS**

For *Into the Woods*: Prepare a song selection of your choice no more than 1 minute in length. You must provide your accompaniment on a digital device with a 1/8" headphone input (ipads, tablets, phones with a headphone input or adapter). Acapella auditions are not accepted. Note: If you are using a track off of YouTube, take a screen recording so you are not dependent on internet or signal strength.

For *Jungle Book*: Prepare the pre-selected song selection via the links below or on the audition page on the CSA studio website. We will have the music track already in the audition room. You do not need to bring it on your device to the audition.

*Jungle Book* Audition practice song link- (also available on the CSA website)  
<https://vimeo.com/586907437/c70cb41b9c>

*Jungle Book* Audition sheet music- (also available on the CSA website)  
[https://a51ff5b7-4207-48b7-915d-3bed8a80b6a9.filesusr.com/ugd/c2cb44\\_a95fc9c03f974df28eb2987309e59561.pdf](https://a51ff5b7-4207-48b7-915d-3bed8a80b6a9.filesusr.com/ugd/c2cb44_a95fc9c03f974df28eb2987309e59561.pdf)

## ***Audition Tips***

- Be professional (positive, happy, organized, polite) from the second you step out of the car.
- Make sure to check in when you arrive with your completed audition form.
- When it is your turn, be confident, take a nice, comfortable stance and stand tall. Look REALLY happy to be there.
- Make sure you project your voice (including when introducing yourself) and continue doing so as you sing your song.

- Take a deep breath and focus. Make a clear nod to the accompanist or person running the music when you are ready to begin.
- Enjoy yourself during your performance.
- Do NOT apologize. Even if you make a mistake, or are sick or have a cold! Everyone occasionally messes up and directors understand that and won't hold it against you. Don't ask to try again.

## **SYNOPSIS:**

*Into the Woods:* <https://www.mtishows.com/into-the-woods-jr>

*The Jungle Book Kids:* <https://www.mtishows.com/disneys-the-jungle-book-kids>

## **CHARACTER BREAKDOWN:**

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