

## **Bankstown Theatre Company Young Performers.**

The auditions for our first Young Performers production (ages 13-18)



will be held on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March from 10am at the Bankstown Arts Centre. Cnr Dale and Olympic Parade, Bankstown.

Appointments can be made by ringing Edward on 0412055582

### **Performances:**

There will be 8 performances at the Bankstown Arts Centre

Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> June 8pm

Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> June, 8pm

Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1pm and 5 pm

Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1pm and 5pm

Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1pm

Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 1pm

Also there will be performances at the Zenith Theatre Chatswood. We have been asked by the Zenith Theatre Chatwood to perform Suessical Jr in the July school holidays.

There will be 7 performances at the Zenith Theatre.

Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> July 7.00pm

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> July 7.00pm

Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> July 2pm and 7pm

Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2pm and 7pm

Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> July 3pm

### **Rehearsals:**

Rehearsals for Seussical Jr will commence in the April school holidays

12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April from 10am-3pm and 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> April from 10am . 3pm.

As it is a short rehearsal period, from then on rehearsals will take place every Tuesday and Thursday from 4.30pm . 7.30pm and Saturday from 1-5pm.

**Director:** Christine Firkin/Musical direction

**Choreographer:** Edward Rooke

**Requirements for auditions and character descriptions:** See attached

## Seussical Jr.

### Audition requirements:

There will be 2 parts to your audition.

We will listen to you sing a song of your choice and read script first and then there will be a dance audition.

We will teach a short dance sequence to small groups of auditionees after their singing audition. You should plan to be available for about an hour after your singing audition.

Singing: Sing an upbeat musical theatre song of your own choice. Bring sheet music in the correct key for you or a CD instrumental backing track .

Dance: Wear comfortable clothes and shoes that you can move in easily. You can wear dance wear if you have it.

**YOU WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR ALL ROLES (male or female) regardless of your song selection, so pick a song you like and sing well.**

### Character Descriptions

#### Lead Characters:

THE CAT IN THE HAT. This person must be a physically adept actor/actress, one who will be able to play many comic cameos and is comfortable playing with the audience.

*Songs include: Oh the Things You Can Think!*

JOJO He/she is a thinker . a smart child with a vivid imagination. He/she can be played as a bit of an awkward loner or a rambunctious kid. His/her ~~thinksq~~cause a good bit of trouble, but by the end of the show he learns to be responsible with his ~~thinksq~~

*Songs include: Anything's Possible, Alone in the Universe.*

HORTON THE ELEPHANT He is a gentle unselfconscious giant who is steadfast and responsible. Horton's worldview never changes - he believes in goodness.

*Songs include: Alone in the Universe, Solla Sollew*

GERTRUDE MCFUZZ Is very self conscious and aware of her one feathered tail. Through the show she stops worrying about her looks and grows up.

*Songs include: The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz, Notice Me Horton.*

MAYZIE La BIRD She is self centered, selfish and vain and will never admit to her own flaws. She manipulates everyone, especially Horton, into doing what she wants.

*Songs include :Amazing Mayzie, Mayzie in Palm Beach.*

MR AND MRS MAYOR WHO are parents who are trying to raise a difficult child in a difficult world.

*Songs include: How to Raise a Child.*

SOUR KANGAROO She is not really sour she is just plain sassy.  
*Songs include: Biggest Blame Fool*

### **Other Parts**

BIRD GIRLS Back up singers to Mayzie

THE WIKERSHAM BROTHERS These characters are not bad just a pack of fun loving guys who like to have fun oftentimes at the expense of each other

YERTLE THE TURTLE Character who is in Biggest Blame Fool and People versus Horton

GRINCH In Here On Who

### **Ensemble Characters**

FISH Fish creatures in Anything's Possible

CIRCUS MEMBERS Characters in Circus and Solla Sollew

THE WHOS These are small people who are trying to make it in a big, big World. Each ~~wh~~who has their own unique personality

JUNGLE CREATURES These are Jungle creatures with very distinct human qualities.