



AUDITION INFORMATION

Wonthaggi Theatrical Group Inc.
is excited to invite everyone interested in auditioning to be part of
our 2024 May / June Production of Seussical.

**SEUSSICAL IS A CELEBRATION OF IMAGINATION AND FUN, IT'S QUIRKY DR SEUSS
STORYLINE & STYLE ALLOWS FOR A MIXED CAST OF ALL AGES, WHO LOVE TO SING.**

**OUR VISION - DR SEUSS WITH A TWIST
– TRANSPORTING THE COLOURFUL CHARACTERS INTO THE MODERN WORLD
WHO LIVE IN THE URBAN JUNGLE OF NOOL**

HORTON IS ON AN ADVENTURE TO SAVE WHOSVILLE A SMALL WORLD ON A SPEC OF DUST.

SHARE THE IMAGINATION OF A SMALL CHILD JOJO AND HIS AMAZING THINKS

**AND LET'S NOT FORGET THE CAT IN THE HAT WHO TAKES YOU ON A JOURNEY BETWEEN THE
WORLDS WITH CHARM AND WHIT, A PERFORMER BEYOND COMPARE.**

Our version of Seussical offers great flexibility to cast lead and supporting roles as either male or female. We are looking for a large cast of fun energetic people who love being on stage. This entirely sung show has amazing choral variety and allows diversity in casting.
A show to bring out the kid in all of us.

SEUSSICAL Production Team

Director & Choreographer: Louise Adkins
Musical Director: Fiona Moldrich
Vocal Director: Toni Osborne

Production Manager: Lyndall McKenzie

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Information Day & Workshop

Held at the WTG Shed at the State Coal Mine, Garden Street Wonthaggi.

Please enter through the main entrance doors.

Sunday 26th November 2023 3.00 pm - Information Session (WTG Shed)

4.00 pm - Vocal Workshop & Dance Workshop

If you don't feel like you are a dancer, we will be there to guide you. Some roles are only movement. Please give the dance workshop a go as everyone will be dancing/moving in the finale of the show. And it's a bit of fun. Please wear appropriate clothing.

Audition Dates - Bookings – via [Trybooking.com](https://www.trybooking.com).

Held at WEBBS Shed at the Bass Coast Secondary College, 26 McKenzie Street, Wonthaggi.

Thursday 7th December

Jojo and Who Children (Aged 9 – 12) 6.15 pm venue open - Webbs Shed

Timeslots 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15 (15 min blocks- groups of 6)

Ensemble & Dance/Performers (Ages 15 - Adult) - Urban Jungle Friends & Whoville Families

Including Bird Girls, Wickersham Brothers, The Sour Kangaroo & General Genghis , other cameo roles– cast from ensemble.

Timeslots 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15 (15 min blocks- groups of 4)

Friday 8th December

Lead Roles - ½ hr time slot - group sing, private individual sing, dialogue

6.15 pm venue open – Webbs Shed

6.30, 7.00 – **Horton the Elephant** (groups of 3)

7.30, 8.00 – **Gertrude McFuzz, Mayzie La Bird** (groups of 3)

8.30, 9.00, – **Cat in the Hat** (groups of 2)

9.30, 10.00 – **Mr & Mrs Mayor Whoville** (groups of 4)

Saturday 9th December

1.15 pm venue open – Webbs Shed

1.30 – 2.30 - Who Children / Ensemble if extra timeslots needed.

2.30 – 4.30 – Callbacks - if required you will be informed via Email / SMS

Checklist before arriving:

- Completed Audition Form – Including full length photo.
- Appropriate clothing, footwear and drink bottle.

Audition Requirements

- Songs have been identified for various roles within the show. Please prepare the required song as per the list attached. Take note of vocal type and character.
- Please note it may not be necessary for you to sing the whole audition song.
- Auditionees may be asked to sing some scales and/or some vocal exercises depending on the requirements of the role/s they are auditioning for.
- All auditionees for a Lead role, will be required to read dialogue as per the monologue attached.
- Lead auditionees – ½ hour time slot - group sing, private individual sing, dance element if needed.
- We are looking for a diverse range of singers, actors, featured dancers and general character ensemble.
- Piano accompaniment will be provided.

Cast Announcement

Please be patient with the direction team as some of these decision take time – we hope to announce quickly within a few days of call backs – but in some cases, it might be up to a week.

Successful cast members will be phoned and told the good news.

Unsuccessful auditionees will receive an email or SMS.

If you are unsuccessful, please don't be disheartened, we appreciate how emotional the journey can be to participate in an audition.

Youth Cast & Parents: Please help your child/young person to understand that auditions are not a competition, that whether they are cast or not is no reflection of them as a person and that there are many factors involved in casting the roles in the production.

We are there to help make everyone's experience smooth and enjoyable.

If you don't make it into the cast, we invite you to volunteer behind the scenes.

Becoming a member allows you to consider helping with costumes, hair, make-up, dressing, set building and painting, ushering, show bump in & out. A great chance to get a better understanding of the whole team commitment to local theatre.

Accepting a Role

By accepting a role, either lead or ensemble you are committing to the rehearsals as scheduled and adhering to start times. **Please check the key dates below.**

All Cast members must be WTG financial members before rehearsals commence.

All adults involved in the production will need to have a current Working with Childrens Check.

A VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY. Every aspect of producing a WTG production is due to incredible volunteers.

They juggle work and family life to be creative, offer skills and time to benefit the production.

We ask all cast, families, parents, and all production roles to show respect, support and patience. Please read through our Code of Conduct.

Please remember that feedback from the production team is not criticism but constructive to fulfill the vision of the show and we are always happy to discuss issues outside of rehearsal time.

Performance Dates

12 Performances held at the Wonthaggi Union Community Arts Centre - Show Length 2 1/4 hrs

Opening Performance – Friday 24th May 2024 (7.30 pm)

Saturday 25th May 2024 (2.00pm & 7.30 pm)

Sunday 26th May 2024 (2.00 pm)

Friday 31st May 2024 (7.30 pm)

Saturday 1st June 2024 (2.00 pm & 7.30 pm)

Sunday 2nd June 2024 (2.00 pm)

Friday 7th June 2024 (7.30 pm)

Saturday 8th June 2024 (2.00pm & 7.30pm)

Closing performance – Sunday 9th June (2.00pm) (King's Birthday Weekend)

Rehearsals and Key Dates

Rehearsals will be held at the WTG Shed at the State Coal Mine, Garden Street Wonthaggi

Sunday 21st January 2024 3.00pm Meet and Greet – Script Handout - Costume Measure

Thursday 1st February 2024 6.30pm for 7pm First Rehearsal – Read through – First Group Sing

Weekly Rehearsals Sundays 2.30 pm – 6.30 pm

(Extended Sundays: every 3rd week (10.00am – 5.30pm)

Monday Nights 6.30 Warm -Up / 7.00pm – 9.30 pm

Thursday Nights 6.30 Warm-Up / 7.00pm – 9.30 pm

March Long Weekend & Easter – No Sunday rehearsals but normal Monday night rehearsals.

Sunday 17th March Costume Call / Program Photos (must attend)

Sunday 5th May Sitz Probe – Wonthaggi Band Room (must attend)

Saturday 11th May Bump In (Cast are required to assist)

Sunday 12th May Mother's Day - Afternoon rehearsal only

Monday 13th / Thursday 16th May Technical Rehearsals (All cast required to attend)

Sunday 19th, Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st May Full Dress Rehearsals (All cast required to attend)

Thursday 23th May Final Dress Rehearsal (All cast required to attend)

Friday 24th May – Sunday 9th June Performances (as listed above)

Sunday 9th June Bump Out after final performance (Cast required to assist)

Monday 10th June Final Clean-up, Cast & Family BBQ Party

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Part	Gender	Vocal Parts	Note Range	Audition Song/s
LEAD CAST				
The Cat in the Hat Multiple characters, funny, great charisma, needs audience to love them as host/ emcee	Male/Female Adult 18 +	Mez Sop or Alto Tenor or Baritone	Variety F2-F4	Oh the Things You Can Think: Part 1 Beg-End & How Lucky You Are.
Horton the Elephant (Maintenance Man) Loveable, emotional singer	Male Adult 18+	Tenor	A2-F4	Horton Hears a Who: Beg - Bar 101 Alone in the Universe: Part 2 Beg-44
Jojo A thinker, but a little awkward and shy	Male/Female 9-12 yrs	Tenor	Ab3-C5	It's Possible: Part 1 B-41
Gertrude McFuzz (Neighbor @ Apartment Block) Quirky character actress	Female Adult 16+	Soprano	F3-F5	The One Feathered Tale of Miss Gertrude McFuzz & Notice Me Horton: Beg -Bar 51
SUPPORTING CAST				
Mrs Mayor (50's Style – Formal, classy, stylistic) Comical - bit cheesy	Female Adult 16+	Mez Sop		Here on Who: Part 1 B-Bar 48
Mr Mayor (50's Style – Formal, classy, stylistic) Comical - bit cheesy	Male Adult 16+	Tenor		Here on Who: Part 1 B-Bar 48
Mayzie LaBird (Local Celebrity) Flamboyant	Female Adult 16+	Mez Sop	G3-Eb5	Amazing Mayzie: Beg-61
The Sour Kangaroo (Business Woman) Big voice, sassy	Female Adult 16+	Alto	F#3-F5	Biggest Blame Fool: 1&2-Bar 21
FEATURED				
General Genghis Kahn Schmitz	Male Adult 16+	Baritone		The Military: Part 1 Beg-14
Bird Girls (Mayzie's followers – town gossips) harmonies, excellent singer & movers	Female Adult 16+	Mezo Sop, Sop & Alto	Variety	Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)
Wickersham Brothers (Monkeys 3 x Businessmen with briefcases) Dancers, cheeky, naughty	Male/Female Adult 16+	Tenor, Baritone & Bass	Variety	Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)

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CAMEOS				
Females considered				
Vlad Vladikov Cast from Urban Jungle Friends	Male Adult 16+	Tenor, Baritone or Bass		Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)
Judge Yertle the Turtle Cast from Whoville Parents	Male Adult 16+	Baritone		Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)
The Grinch Cast from Whoville Parents	Male Adult 16+	Baritone		Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)
ENSEMBLES				
We are keen to know if you have any special talents e.g., circus or aerial tricks, unicycle riding or tap dancing.				
Urban Jungle Friends 9 -12 Dancers /Good Movers Collection of delivery people, street people, skateboarders, people riding scooters, business people	Male/Female Adult 16+	Sop, Mez Sop, Alto, Tenor, Baritone &Bass	Variety	Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)
Whoville Families 6- 8 Who Parents (Formal, classy, stylistic – controlled movement based on tiny world)	Male/Female Adult 16+	Sop, Mez Sop, Alto, Tenor, Baritone &Bass	Variety	Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)
Whoville Children 6-8 kids on Whoville	Male/Female 10-15 yrs			Oh the things you can think! Part 1 (incl. cat part)