



AUDITION NOTICE

NOISES OFF

FARCE-PLAY By Michael Frayn

RATED: PG-13

REHEARSALS BEGIN: June 15, 2020

PERFORMANCES: August 13-29, 2020

AUDITIONS: Friday, March 6/By Appointment-8:15PM
Saturday, March 7/By Appointment-2:00PM

CALLBACKS: By Request ONLY-Sunday, March 8 @ 5:30PM
If you are called back, you will be notified by Saturday night.

***Be prepared to read from the script**

PRODUCTION STAFF: DIRECTOR/Tom Kaechele
STAGE MANAGER/Amie Bajalieh

THE STORY:

A theatrical farce, *Noises Off* is a behind-the-scenes look at a chaotic stage production populated with frenetic and unstable actors, a volatile director, and an overworked and overly emotional stage crew. Interspersed throughout the typical narrative structure of the piece are scenes from the play-within-a-play the group is performing: a tacky sex comedy called *Nothing On*.

CASTING:

Adults, age 18-80; all ethnicities.

NOTE: Roles that call for a specific ethnicity or type will be open for consideration of actors of other ethnicities. The ages listed are approximate. Actors cast should be able to "play" these ages. In reference to the character descriptions below – The characters in this show are on the binary and written with he/him or she/her pronouns as you will see in the following descriptions. However, we seek to be as inclusive as possible and ask gender non-conforming, gender queer, transgender and non-binary actors to list on the audition form the roles they most identify with. We also list race/ethnicity when specific to the character, but are otherwise seeking all races and ethnicities.

CHARACTERS :

Dotty Otley

A late-middle-aged actress. Plays Mrs. Clackett, the housekeeper for the Brents' home in England in *Nothing's On*.

Age: 40s-60s

Lloyd Dallas

He is the director of a play-within-the-play, called *Nothing's On*.

Age: 30s-50s

Garry Lejeune

A stuttering actor, easily fired up. Plays Roger, the estate agent looking to let the Brent's house in *Nothing's On*.

Age: 20s-50s

Brooke Ashton

A young inexperienced actress from London. Plays Vicki, who works for the tax authorities and is trying to woo Roger in *Nothing's On*.

Age: 18-30s

Poppy Norton-Taylor

She is the Assistant Stage Manager.

Age: 18-30s

Frederick Fellowes

Has a serious fear of violence and blood. Plays Phillip Brent, who lives out of the country with his wife Flavia to avoid paying taxes and is on a secret visit in *Nothing's On*.

Age: 30s-50s

Belinda Blair

Cheerful and sensible, a reliable actress. Plays Flavia, Philip Brent's wife, who is dependable, though not one for household duties in *Nothing's On*.

Age: 30s-50s

Tim Allgood

He is an over-worked Stage Manager.

Age: 18-30s

Selsdon Mowbray

Elderly and with actorly mannerisms. He plays a burglar, in his seventies, breaking into the Brents' house in *Nothing's On*.

Age: 60s-80s

All auditions will be held at the Kretschmer Recital Hall at the Art & Music Center, located on the campus of Aquinas College. Scripts are available for check out at the Circle Theatre Box Office starting February 3, located at the Performing Arts Center, on the Campus of Aquinas College, Monday – Friday, 12:00-5:00PM, with a \$10.00 deposit. For additional information, please visit the Circle Theatre website.

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