

AUDITIONS



July 1st - at COOLANGATTA GOLF CLUB Auditorium.
DANCERS at 1pm. SINGERS/ACTORS at 2.30pm

CHARACTERS:

DICK WHITTINGTON The Principal Boy and hero, with lots of spirit and basic honesty. Can be played by a male or a female, in which case, the art of playing Principal Boy lies in convincing the audience that the character can cope with the rough and tumble, whilst never forgetting that you are a female. A good physical presence is a definite asset. Requires a good singing voice. (Age 15-25)

THOMAS Male or female. Requires good athletic ability and some dancing skills. It is important to make Thomas a character, even though he/she has no dialogue. Face paint will be preferable to a mask, as this helps with expressions. (Can be almost any age)

SARAH THE COOK The "Dame" - traditionally male comedy character. She (he) carries the large part of the comedy. A sprightly, forceful character who drives the whole show. Physicality is all-important. Body language and facial expressions should be big and bold. (Age 40+)

IDLE JACK Male comedy character. The butt of Sarah's jokes. Requires a good physical presence and the ability to achieve a good rapport with the audience. (Age 15-30)

ALICE The Principal Girl and the heroine. Kind and plucky, sweet, pretty, perky and feminine. Convincing characterization is vital to the plot and the success of the show. Requires a good singing voice. (Age 15-25 - age should be matched with Dick.)

KING/QUEEN RATTUS Male or female character. The villain of the piece. A conspicuously self-assured, carefree and brash character straight out of 'The Beggar's Opera'. Should be played with relish... 'over-the-top'. The lines would work best spoken with a cockney accent. (Any mature age)

MR. FITZWARREN Male comedy character. A mature gentleman, slightly officious, perhaps ex-military. A bit of a waffler who always tries to keep a stiff upper lip. (Age 40+)

The "NARRATOR" - NORMAN/NORMA Male or female. Best played by one person, but if required, the role could be shared throughout the show. (Age 18+)

CAPTAIN KETTLE Male or Female comedy character. Should be played with some relish. Ideally requires a 'Pirate' (Aaarrhh me 'earties) accent. (Age 20+)

BOSUN SHINE Male or Female comedy character. Used to obeying orders, even if he/she doesn't understand them. (Age 20+)

SHEIKH YABODDI "Over-the-top" Male comedy character with a weird accent. (Age 30+)

THE "BELLES" OF SHOREDITCH Three female comedy characters. Bright and breezy, with a hint of mischief - able to sing and dance. (Age 15-25)

CHORUS/DANCE ENSEMBLE Male or Female. Many other small cameo roles (eg 4 rats, 4 sailors, Quasimodo, dancing girls etc) will be taken from this group (Any age)