

spartanburg youth! theatre

Production and Audition Information for



School Time Performances: December 2 & 3, 2021

Public Performances: December 3 - 5, 2021

Chapman Cultural Center Theater

Director: Adam Sanders • **Stage Manager:** TBD

Music Director: TBD • **Choreographer:** TBD

The Spartanburg Youth Theatre encourages boys and girls in the 3rd-12th grades of all ethnicities and backgrounds to audition.

Anticipated cast size = 20-25

ALL ROLES ARE AVAILABLE. NO ROLES HAVE BEEN PRECAST.

PRINCIPLE ROLES:

Character	Gender	Age	Vocal range	Description
Buddy the Elf	Male	14-18	B3-G5	Born a human, raised as an elf; high-spirited, means well.
Walter Hobbs	Male	16-18	B3-E5	Buddy's real father; hard working, stern, not a family man.
Emily Hobbs	Female	16-18	G3-D5	Walter's wife; excellent mother, and a problem solver.
Michael Hobbs	Male	8-12	G3-D5	Walter and Emily's son; smart, and very friendly towards Buddy.
Jovie	Female	14-18	G3-Db5	Macy's employee; cynical and tough around the edges. Buddy's love interest.
Santa	Male	16-18	Bb3-D5	Loves his job as Santa, but is tired of lying to Buddy. Sad about the lack of Christmas spirit.

SECONDARY ROLES:

Character	Gender	Age	Description
Charlie	Male	12-18	Head elf
Shawanda	Female	12-18	Dependable and caring; accidentally reveals he is human
Deb	Female	16-18	Walter's secretary; positive person.
Mr. Greenway	Male	16-18	Cranky business man; big boss man.

FEATURED ENSEMBLE:

Character	Gender	Age	Description
Elves	Any	8-18	Santa's toymakers and helpers.
Sam	Male	12-18	Walter's office staff.
Security Guards 1&2	Any	12-18	Walter's office guards.
Saleswoman	Female	12-18	Over-friendly; always trying to sell something.
Manager	Male	12-18	Manager of Macy's; tries to keep his employees in line.
Santa's Helper	Any	12-18	Loud; Announces as kids at the mall visit Santa.
Fake Santa	Male	12-18	A mall Santa; rough around the edges.
Policemen #1&2	Any	12-18	Friendly cops who take Buddy home.
Sarah	Female	12-18	Staff member at Walter's office.
Chadwick & Matthews	Male	12-18	Walter's staff members; trying to make Walter happy and save the day.

Charlotte Dennon	Female	12-18	TV reporter; Big personality. Very professional, doesn't like being shown up.
Darlene Lambert and Emma Van Brocklin	Female	12-18	Convinced of Santa's magic.

ENSEMBLE:

Actors cast in the ensemble will play Elves, New Yorkers, Macy's Employees, Members of the Rockefeller Crowd, Office Staff, Business Woman, Flyer Guys, Teenager, Jogger, Carolers, Passersby, Children and Parents, and will participate in most of the large musical numbers. Actors in the ensemble will also cover featured ensemble roles listed above.

SHOW INFO:

The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing *sparklejollytwinklejingley* loud for all to hear! In this wild tale, based on the New Line Cinema film, Buddy realizes he is a human living among elves, and decides that he has been in the North Pole long enough. Join him this Christmas season on his journey to find home and discover what family really means.

AUDITION DATES & TIME:

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 or Wednesday, September 15, 2021, 5:30pm-7:30pm both nights. You should only audition one of the two nights offered. You may come any time between the 5:30-7:30pm range. Auditionees will be seen in the order their audition form is received.

CALLBACKS:

A callback list will be posted *after 3:00pm* on *Thursday, September 16, 2021* via the SYT Facebook page and the SYT website (audition information page).

Callbacks will be *Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 10am-2pm. The date of callbacks is subject to change pending actor & creative team availability.*

At callbacks, actors will read scenes from the script, learn music from the show, and learn a dance combination.

LOCATION:

Chapman Cultural Center, 200 E St John St, Spartanburg, SC 29306
Look for signs directing you where to enter.

PREPARATION:

- All auditionees are required to prepare 16 bars of a musical theatre song. Actors should bring their own sheet music. An accompanist will be provided. Singing from a music track or singing acapella is *discouraged*.
- Auditionees should choose a song that shows off vocal range, strong acting choices and that is age-appropriate.
- Memorization of your song is *highly encouraged*.
- If you do not have a song, one will be provided for you. Songs are available ahead of time at the Spartanburg Youth Theatre offices, in the kiosk at the end of the hallway when you walk down the stairs to our area. You may use one of these songs, or you may use one of your own choosing.
- Bring your schedule to fill-in all of your potential rehearsal conflicts on the audition form—**conflicts may NOT be added after casting!**

ANTICIPATED REHEARSAL SCHEDULE:

- A cast & parent meeting will occur Thursday, September 23, 2021, 5:30-7:30pm. Rehearsals will occur Sept 27-Dec 1, 2021-- but not every day. Rehearsals will mainly occur Monday- Friday (5:30-7:30pm).
- REQUIRED DATES ASIDE FROM REHEARSALS
 - Set Build: **Saturday, November 20, 2021 from 10am-4pm**
 - Actor's will be split into shifts, some called 10am-1pm, some called 1-4pm
 - Load-in: **Wednesday, November 24, 2021 from 10am-4pm**
 - Actor's will work the opposite shift from what they worked at set build
 - If actors are unavailable for Set Build or Load-in, they MUST make up the hours missed from these days. Makeup hours will be coordinated on a case-by-case basis.
- ****As of Wednesday, November 17, 2021, CONFLICTS ARE HIGHLY DISCOURAGED. CONFLICTS DURING THIS TIMEFRAME MAY BE A DECIDING FACTOR IN CASTING.****
- Nov 8-23, 2021, rehearsals will last from 5:30pm-**8:30pm**.
- On the next page, a PRELIMINARY schedule of planned rehearsal days is listed. However, **rehearsals are subject to change!**
- Actor conflicts will be allowed within reason, but must be listed on the audition form. Conflicts CANNOT be added after casting. *Conflicts may be a deciding factor in casting.*

Day	Date	Time	Notes	Day	Date	Time	Notes	
Sunday	12-Sep	N/A		Sunday	24-Oct	N/A		
Monday	13-Sep	N/A		Monday	25-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Tuesday	14-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Auditions	Tuesday	26-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Wednesday	15-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Auditions	Wednesday	27-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Thursday	16-Sep	After 3pm	Callback List Posted	Thursday	28-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Friday	17-Sep	N/A		Friday	29-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Saturday	18-Sep	10am-2pm	Callbacks	Saturday	30-Oct	N/A		
Sunday	19-Sep	N/A		Sunday	31-Oct	N/A		
Monday	20-Sep	N/A		Monday	1-Nov	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Tuesday	21-Sep	N/A		Tuesday	2-Nov	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Wednesday	22-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Cast List Posted by this day	Wednesday	3-Nov	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Thursday	23-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Cast & Parent Meeting	Thursday	4-Nov	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Friday	24-Sep	N/A		Friday	5-Nov	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	
Saturday	25-Sep	N/A		Saturday	6-Nov	10am-2pm	Only if needed	
Sunday	26-Sep	N/A		Sunday	7-Nov	2-4pm	Only if needed	
Monday	27-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsals Begin	Monday	8-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	Rehearsal	
Tuesday	28-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Tuesday	9-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	Rehearsal	
Wednesday	29-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Wednesday	10-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	Rehearsal	
Thursday	30-Sep	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Thursday	11-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	Rehearsal	
Friday	1-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Friday	12-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	Rehearsal	
Saturday	2-Oct	N/A		Saturday	13-Nov	10am-12pm	Only if needed	
Sunday	3-Oct	N/A		Sunday	14-Nov	2-4pm	Only if needed	
Monday	4-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Monday	15-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	Rehearsal	
Tuesday	5-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Tuesday	16-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	Rehearsal	
Wednesday	6-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Wednesday	17-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	CONFLICTS HIGHLY DISCOURAGED	
Thursday	7-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Thursday	18-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	CONFLICTS HIGHLY DISCOURAGED	
Friday	8-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Friday	19-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	CONFLICTS HIGHLY DISCOURAGED	
Saturday	9-Oct	N/A		Saturday	20-Nov	10am-4pm	SET BUILD - REQUIRED	
Sunday	10-Oct	N/A		Sunday	21-Nov	2-4pm	Only if needed	
Monday	11-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Monday	22-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	CONFLICTS HIGHLY DISCOURAGED	
Tuesday	12-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Tuesday	23-Nov	5:30-8:30pm	CONFLICTS HIGHLY DISCOURAGED	
Wednesday	13-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Wednesday	24-Nov	10am-4pm	LOAD-IN - REQUIRED	
Thursday	14-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Thursday	25-Nov	N/A	NO REHEARSAL - THANKSGIVING BREAK!	
Friday	15-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Friday	26-Nov	N/A	NO REHEARSAL - THANKSGIVING BREAK!	
Saturday	16-Oct	N/A		Saturday	27-Nov	N/A	NO REHEARSAL - THANKSGIVING BREAK!	
Sunday	17-Oct	2-4pm	Only if needed	Sunday	28-Nov	1-9pm	TECH - NO CONFLICTS	
Monday	18-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Monday	29-Nov	4:30-9:30pm	DRESS REHEARSAL - NO CONFLICTS	
Tuesday	19-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Tuesday	30-Nov	4:30-9:30pm	DRESS REHEARSAL - NO CONFLICTS	
Wednesday	20-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Wednesday	1-Dec	4:30-9:30pm	DRESS REHEARSAL - NO CONFLICTS	
Thursday	21-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Thursday	2-Dec	8am-2pm	SCHOOL SHOWS - NO CONFLICTS	
Friday	22-Oct	5:30-7:30pm	Rehearsal	Friday	3-Dec	8am-6pm	SCHOOL SHOWS & PUBLIC SHOW (4:30PM) - NO CONFLICTS	
Saturday	23-Oct	N/A		Saturday	4-Dec	12:30-8pm	PUBLIC SHOWS (2PM & 6PM) - NO CONFLICTS	
				Sunday	5-Dec	12pm-until	PUBLIC SHOW (2PM) & STRIKE - NO CONFLICTS	

Conflicts are HIGHLY DISCOURAGED during this date range, however we MAY be able to accommodate. If you have conflicts during these dates, please list them, but understand that conflicts during these dates may affect you being cast in the show

Conflicts during tech/performance week CANNOT be accommodated under any circumstances. If you are unavailable during this week you will not be cast in the show.

TECH WEEK

****All rehearsals during tech week are required. Auditionees unable to attend any tech week rehearsals will NOT be cast****

Wednesday, November 24, 2021 from 10am-4pm - Load-in (Actor's will be split into shifts, some called 10am-1pm, some called 1-4pm)

Sunday, November 28, 2021 from 1-9pm - Tech rehearsal

Monday, November 29, 2021 from 4:30-9:30pm - Dress rehearsal

Tuesday, November 30, 2021 from 4:30-9:30pm - Dress rehearsal

Wednesday, December 1, 2021 from 4:30-9:30pm - Dress rehearsal

PERFORMANCE DATES:

School Time Performances:

- Thurs, Dec 2, 2021, 8am-2pm *(If cast, actors MUST miss school these days)*
- Fri, Dec 3, 2021, 8am-2pm *(If cast, actors MUST miss school these days)*

Public Performances:

- Fri, Dec 3, 2021 at 4:30pm
- Sat, Dec 4, 2021 at 2:00pm & 6:00pm
- Sun, Dec 5, 2021 at 2:00pm

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Spartanburg Youth Theatre office at 864-585-8278 or [CLICK HERE](#).