

# SPARC

## Fall 2021 Musical Revue Auditions

### MTI's All Together Now!

### 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders

#### ABOUT THE SHOW

All Together Now is a lounge-style musical revue that features favorite contemporary and classical musical theatre songs, including selections from *Little Women*, *Rent*, *Matilda*, *Les Mis*, *Newsies*, and more! Students who audition to be part of this ensemble will have the opportunity to participate in solo and group performances, as determined by Music Director, Jason Marks. Created by Music Theatre International as a fundraising event for theatres, students will metaphorically share the stage with thousands of artists across the globe in this one-weekend-only event.

As the show serves as a fundraiser for SPARC, **participation will be tuition-free**. Rehearsals and performances will be in-person\* at SPARC.

\*At this time we intend to have rehearsals indoors. This could change based on the Delta variant. Whether performances will be indoors or outdoors is TBD. Everyone will be masked at all times during rehearsals and should plan to also be masked for performances.

**Please scroll to the end of this document to see a full rehearsal schedule and safety information.**

#### HOW TO AUDITION:

Auditions will be submitted through video on a rolling basis. Videos should be submitted through this Google Form: <https://forms.gle/aagNosVSKPbxtaCo6> If you have trouble submitting your form or video, please contact Amy Almond (Production Manager) at [aalmond@sparcrichmond.org](mailto:aalmond@sparcrichmond.org).

#### WHAT TO SUBMIT:

Students should prepare 32 bars (about 1 min) of a Broadway song that best shows off their vocal range. Songs should be performed with a backing track or piano accompaniment- please, no a cappella. Students should slate (say their name and what song they are performing) on camera before they begin. Please make sure that there are no other people in the video frame to avoid distractions. We welcome all videos whether filmed on a phone, a computer, or a camera!

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: Friday, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm**

#### CASTING NOTIFICATIONS – by Sept 24<sup>th</sup>

Parents/Guardians will receive a notification via email, whether their student has been cast or not. While we work hard to notify all students as quickly as possible, it takes time for our staff to complete all individual communications. **Please be considerate of all auditioning students, and refrain from discussing casting notifications until a cast list has been shared publicly.** This will help in reducing stress and anxiety while we work through notifications.

#### Attendance Policy and Conflicts

Being cast in a production is a big commitment. SPARC asks that parents and students look at family and school schedules closely before auditioning to ensure that the student can attend all rehearsals and performances. Please list any rehearsal conflicts thoroughly before submitting an audition form. Though not all students may be called to all rehearsals, casting decisions are made with each student's availability in mind. SPARC may not be able to offer a role to a student with excessive conflicts or conflicts that occur in the final weeks leading up to performances.

Attendance at rehearsals is crucial to the success of the entire production. We understand that our students lead busy lives and that unforeseen circumstances can arise. In an effort to be flexible and accommodate those situations, **SPARC's attendance policy allows students to miss a maximum of two rehearsals during the rehearsal period.**

No conflicts are permitted during the final week of regular rehearsals, tech rehearsals or performances. Conflicts not stated during the audition process or excessive absences/tardiness may result in casting changes or the student not being able to participate in all scenes/musical numbers.

### Health and Safety at SPARC

SPARC is following the most up-to-date guidelines for safety as set by the CDC and VDH. Specific measures include the following best practices:

- We will be social distancing throughout the rehearsal process and performances.
- Masks are required to be worn over the nose and mouth at all times while on SPARC's campus. At this time students should plan to be masked while performing as well.
- Hand sanitizer will be accessible to everyone in the rehearsal space. We will sanitize before and after touching props/equipment and during breaks.
- High-touch surfaces will be disinfected regularly throughout the day. Minimal items will be shared between actors and will be disinfected between uses.
- All SPARC employees have been required to be vaccinated.

## Fall 2021 Musical Revue Schedule (Grade 6 – 12) *All Together Now*

**Location:** SPARC (2106 N Hamilton St)

**Required Parent/Guardian Meeting:** Monday, Oct 4, 4:30pm-5:00pm

### **Rehearsal Dates:**

Monday, Oct 4 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Tuesday, Oct 5 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Monday, Oct 11 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Tuesday, Oct 12 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Monday, Oct 18 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Tuesday, Oct 19 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Monday, Oct 25 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Tuesday, Oct 26 from 4:30pm-6:30pm  
Sunday, Oct 31 from 2pm-4pm  
Tuesday, Nov 2 from 4:30pm-6:30pm

### **Technical Rehearsals:**

Mon, Nov 8 – Thurs, Nov 11 from 5:30pm-8:30pm

### **Performances\*:**

Friday, Nov 12 at 7:30pm  
Saturday, Nov 13 at 2pm & 7:30pm  
Sunday, Nov 14 at 2pm & 7:30pm  
Monday, Nov 15 – Please hold this evening in case we see the need to extend the run

\*All performances will be held but not all will be public.