**Madrona Children’s Theatre**

**James and the Giant Peach Parent Tech Meeting**

**Volunteers, Volunteers, Volunteers**

We cannot be successful without the help of our wonderful families! Please plan on volunteering in several areas on several days! Ask producers, department heads or families who have done this what areas work well together. For example you can help with hair and make-up and then watch the show, and sell bake goods! Great idea to volunteer on the days your child is not performing!

**Sign-Up Genius is live for the following areas:**

* Costume Parade Day
* Orchestra Day food for musicians
* Back Stage Tech
* Bus Chaperone
* Stage Crew – we need parent help!
* Microphones
* Costumes – We need adult males to help with the boys!
* Concessions
* Ushering
* Bake Sale
* Flower Shop
* Cast Party
* Hair & Make-up
* Auction
* Actor supervision
* Ticket Sales

**Sunday February 25th – Costume Parade Day (Mandatory)**

**This is a VERY important day when costumes are reviewed with the Creative and Producer team**. Please read ALL of the below for important information! If you have a conflict with your casts scheduled time, please come to the other casts scheduled time.

**Whimsy Cast**
9-10: Seagulls, Garden Chorus, Oompas, Puppeteers
9:30-10:30: Farm Animals, Ladies Garden Guild, Hollywood Agents, Reporters
10-11: Sharks, Cruise Ensemble, Vagrants, Zoo Crowd
11-12:00 Leads
12-1 Lunch/Break

**Wonder Cast**
1:30-2:30 Seagulls, Garden Chorus, Oompas, Puppeteers
2-3: Farm Animals, Ladies Garden Guild, Hollywood Agents, Reporters
2:30-3:30: Sharks, Cruise Ensemble, Vagrants, Zoo Crowd
3-4:00  Leads

Note: “Named” characters should report to group time (e.g.: if you are Doreen Driggles, you come during Vagrant timeslot) and if you don’t see a character listed, we will still review (just too many exceptions to capture here - please ask if you are unsure!) :)

All actors who have confirmed with me that they are going to wear their own leggings need to bring them to the Costume Parade day and plan to turn them over to the Costume Dept before they leave! Please be sure to label your leggings with your name!

Please be prepared to clear out any outstanding fees for shoe rental/purchase, or leggings purchases. Check or cash accepted. Gina Gale will be compiling the totals and communicating this information prior to Feb 25th.

JAZZ SHOES -  If your actor has outgrown their jazz shoes from years past, please consider donating them to our cause – we are trying to minimize costs for families as much as possible, so donated shoes can assist with that.

**Saturday March 3rd – Orchestra Day**

10:00am-2:00pm ALL ACTORS

* Parents are welcome to stay; take pictures and video – this will be the only opportunity!
* Actors will alternate between singing with the orchestra on one half of the gym and dancing with our choreographer on the other half.
* Look for sign-up in Newsletter and FB to bring lunch for the 20+ piece orchestra

**Costumes:** Please bring to rehearsal ASAP in a labeled gallon Ziploc

Girls: Skin Tone Cami, Brush, **deodorant**, make-up wipes

Boys: **2 pair black socks**, **deodorant**, make-up wipes; White undershirt for Grasshopper, Centipede, Earthworm, James.

**Hair & Make-Up Requirements**

* All actors (boys and girls) need to bring the following make-up items in a labeled bag
	+ Foundation (shade darker than skin tone)
	+ Black eyeliner (liquid is preferred)
	+ Mascara for Ladahlord, Spiker & Sponge, Ladybug, Spider
* **Hair**: It is critical that all actors come to all tech rehearsals SHOWERED with CLEAN HAIR. Kids are sharing costumes and adult volunteers will be helping kids with their hair.
	+ Specific hair styles instructions will be given out
* Weekend Tech Rehearsals and Shows – please come to the high school with hair done and base face applied

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**Saturday March 3rd – Move into Mountlake Terrace High School & Dump run**

\*\*We need volunteers to meet at Madrona to load sets, props and costumes and unload at MLT HS – 9AM

After the high school run, we will load up the truck again with items we can no longer store to take them to the transfer station.

**Tech Week - Rehearsals move to Mountlake Terrace High School Tuesday March 6th**

* Rehearsal schedule for tech weeks on-line
* Kids meet in Brad Proffitt’s room after school for attendance and will ride bus to MLT HS

**\*We need volunteers to ride the bus!**

* Pick up at 9pm – back door near loading dock, must sign out actor
* Bring snacks and water (light concessions available for sale)

**Show Weekend – March 15th-18th**

* Call times posted. There will be instructions how to arrive (hair/make-up requirements)
* **Kids may not leave MLTHS between shows on Saturday and Sunday**. Plan to send them with food, or bring them food after the matinee, you are welcome to stay and eat with them. KIDS CANNOT LEAVE THE THEATRE BETWEEN SHOWS.
* All families are required to bring 3 dozen baked goods (or a case of water if you are unable)

**Optional Expenses**

* Flower Shop
* Auction Purchases
* Bake Sale Purchases
* Tickets
* Cast Pictures
* Candygrams

**Strike and Load the Truck**

* Immediately after Sunday show we need a lot of help! Everything must go!
* Load Truck – sets, props, costumes
* Monday evening – Truck unload – come help and then stay for the cast party!

**Cast Party – Celebrate our Success!**

* Monday March 19th – 6:30pm – 8:30pm in the cafeteria.
* MCT provides pizza and drinks
* There will be Potluck sign-up for sides and salads and volunteering!