CINDERELLA PANTOMIME

AUDITION PACK

The Fairy Godmother of all Pantomimes comes to Porty!

A new professional production of Cinderella takes centre stage at the newly-refurbished Portobello Town Hall, and promises to be an unforgettable theatrical event, filled with much-loved music, and hilarious comedy.

Stage Door Entertainment promises to captivate audiences of all ages with this highly anticipated production of the classic fairytale, which will bring joy, fun, and a touch of magic to Portobello this Christmas!

The panto runs from Tuesday 28th Nov - Saturday 30th December with 2 performances every day from Monday to Saturday.

For your audition, please perform one of the scripts from the audition document for the character you wish to audition for, and sing a song which suits the character, and shows your vocal ability. The first round will be the submission of a self-tape. If successful, in person auditions will be held on the 15th October 2023.

Deadline for self-tapes is Sunday, 8th October.

- 1. Please complete this form before submitting your video audition: https://forms.gle/FKdaXqiMN3pUSGz8A
- 2. Please submit your video to info@stagedoorentertainment.co.uk and include:
 - Name
 - Email Address
 - Desired Role

We will accept videos through *Wetransfer* or *Dropbox* if the file is too large to send via email.

MATERIAL

- Character Descriptions
- Audition Requirements & Song Suggestions
- Script Material
 - Cinderella
 - Buttons
 - Baroness Davina Hardup
 - Fairy Maggie
 - Stonky & Wonky

CHARACTERS

CINDERELLA

Female

Playing Age: 20-30

Headstrong lead of this Panto. Cinders has a positive presence and holds her ground

against her evil stepmother and her devious stepsisters.

Strong singer & dancer.

BARONESS DAVINA HARDUP

Female

Playing Age: 30-60

Evil, devious villain of this Panto. Vicious stepmother of Cinderella, and Baroness of

Portobello, longing to have more power and notoriety.

Strong stage presence, strong singer, and exaggerated characterisation.

FAIRY MAGGIE

Male

No specific age range

Dame of this Pantomime. Fairy Maggie has quick humour, conjures up beautiful magic, and loves a bottle of pink gin.

Strong singer and comfortable in drag.

BUTTONS

Male/Female/Non-Binary

No specific age range

Hilarious friend of Cinderella, and butler to Baroness Hardup. Chaotic and silly, not afraid to speak his mind.

Strong comic performer and singer.

STEPSISTERS - STONKY & WONKY

Male/Female

Playing Age: 20-60

Outrageous stepsisters of Cinderella, and daughters of the Baroness. The sisters are

revolting – they bully Cinders, and anyone else who gets in their way.

Strong physical comics and singers.

AUDITION MATERIAL

For your audition, please perform one of the attached scripts for the character you wish to audition for, and sing a song which suits the character, and shows your vocal ability.

Please see below for some recommendations of the type of songs to sing for characters, along with some example artists to get you thinking.

CINDERELLA

Something upbeat that is comfortable within your vocal range.

Dua Lipa; Lizzo; Ellie Goulding; Charlotte Church; Disney; or musical theatre.

FAIRY MAGGIE

Something that has the ability to radiate Maggie's character, whilst also showing the versatility of your voice. Think camp and upbeat.

Shania Twain; Bonnie Tyler; Steps; ABBA; or musical theatre.

BARONESS DAVINA HARDUP

The Baroness has the biggest numbers in the pantomime, tackling legendary rock anthems. Please choose a song that shows off your voice, and shows the rich, villainy presence of Davina's character.

Queen; Blondie; Pat Benatar; P!nk; Christina Aguilera; Annie Lennox; or musical theatre/Disney villain songs.

BUTTONS

Buttons' song should show either his encouragement towards Cinderella or perhaps his sadness at being trapped in Hardup manor. Either way, the song choice should be lighthearted and let his character shine through.

Paolo Nutini; Harry Styles; McFly; Busted; The Proclaimers; or musical theatre.

STONKY & WONKY

Totally character led songs which bring out the outrageous manner of the Ugly Stepsisters.

Lady Gaga; Spice Girls; Cheeky Girls; Kylie Minogue; or musical theatre.

CINDERELLA

CINDERELLA

Oh, hello boys and girls! (*Pause*.) I'm Cinderella! Are you all well? (*Pause*.) Oh good! You've caught me in the middle of shopping! I work in Hardup Manor as a servant for my stepmother, Baroness Davina Hardup, and my two stepsisters, Wonky and Stonky. My late father, Baron Hardup passed away a few years ago leaving my stepmother in charge. He was a kind man and was loved by all in Auld Portobello. None more so than me.

We used to spend everyday with each other, building sandcastles on the beach, taking strolls down the promenade and battling each other at the arcade. (*Realisation*.) Things have changed since my father passed. My stepmother is tricky one, she can be quite demanding, some of the townsfolk are scared of her. Along with her, my two step sisters, Stonky and Wonky can also be quite demanding.

WONKY & STONKY

Cinderella!

CINDERELLA

Oh, here they come now! I wonder what they could possibly want.

BUTTONS

Buttons enters with their hands full of washing. They realise the audience and get a fright.

BUTTONS

ARGH! (*Pause*.) Whatever you want, the hoose is yours, take anything except ma ABBA Gold CD.

Buttons stops cowering and looks out to the audience.

BUTTONS

Haud the bus. Are yous Cinderella's pals? (*Pause.*) Aye well ye dinny sound so sure! I said are you Cinderella's pals? (*Pause.*) Aw good! Nice to see some new people in Portobello! I'm Buttons, Cinderella's best pal and butler of Hardup Manor.

Servant to Big Davina Hardup and her two honkin daughters. Honestly, they look like they've just came straight aff *Embarrassing Bodies*.

But Cinderella is a wee star. I've been looking after her since she was a wee girl. I used to serve her mother and father before they passed. Och, I just wish one day she can take over this place and big Davina would boost.

So any pal of Cinders, is a pal of mine! Oh, I tell you what! Every time I see yous, I'll shout "Hiya Pals!", and you can all shout, "Hiya Buttons!", how does that sound? Jeezo, I've seen livelier crowds in the queue for Primark at the Fort. We'll try that again.

How does that sound?!
Oh good! Let's give it a wee whirl!

Buttons exits and re-enters.

BUTTONS

Hiya Pals!

Waiting for an audience reaction.

BUTTONS

One of Stonky's farts sound louder than that!

Right, let's give it one more try. I want you to be so loud that they can hear you from the big golden jobbie. Sorry I mean St James Quarter. Let's give it one last whirl!

Buttons exits and re-enters.

BUTTONS

Hiya pals!

Waiting for audience reaction.

BUTTONS

Aw that was smashing! Everytime I see yous, be as loud as that!

BARONESS DAVINA HARDUP

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Ah now what is this?! Fresh meat in Portobello? How lovely. Heed me peasants, I am Baroness Davina Hardup of Portobello. Reality TV star of *Keeping Up With The Hardups*, ex-fiancée of Boris Johnson and runner up Miss Kirkcaldy 1992. Cinderella shall have no acquaintances or friends. She shall remain a nobody. Me and my girls are in charge of Portobello. And there will be no little pesky peasants to throw a spanner into the works of my domain. I am the most powerful woman in all of Edinburgh, and nobody can stop me! Aren't I brilliant!? *Hopefully some boos from the audience.*

BARONESS HARDUP (CONT'D)

Ohh boo-hoo. I eat distain for breakfast! Now if you will excuse me, I heard Aldi has a great deal on Prosecco, farewell peasants! Mwhahaha!

FAIRY MAGGIE

Fairy Maggie magically appears on stage.

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Oh Hello! (*Pause*.) Jeezo, we've not been on the pink gins today have we? Oh, except from that one there.

Picks someone from the audience.

She's having a great time, oan yerself hen. So, let's try that again. I said HELLO! (*Pause.*) Och that's much better! My name is Fairy Maggie! And I am a Fairy Godmother! Aye, well dinny sound too surprised. I've been doing this job for years, ah ken you wouldn'y be able to tell with how glamorous I am.

Maggie picks another person from the audience.

Haw! I can see and hear you, ye know? This isny Netflix! That was an evil laugh. I'll see you outside later.

Anyway, I have many stories to tell, but only one is about the girl with a heart as pure as gold, Cinderella! Her story features many hardships, a handsome prince, a glass slipper, two sisters that look like they're straight out of Granton and a lot of camp bops. So let's Cher this place up and turn back time, to the streets of Auld Portobello where Cinders is gearing up for a day hard at work!

Maggie waves her wand to reveal Auld Portobello town.

FAIRY MAGGIE (CONT'D)

It's farewell for now. But don't worry, you'll be seeing me very soon! Hit it Tommie!

STONKY & WONKY

Stonky & Wonky enter outrageously.

STONKY

Am starvin'!

WONKY

Stonky, you're always starvin'.

STONKY

Here, we should go find Cinderella and get her to order our favourite.

WONKY

OH! Ye dinny mean!?

STONKY

Aye I mean...

WONKY

Yer feelin cheeky?

STONKY

Very cheeky.

STONKY & WONKY

Time for a cheeky Nandos!

WONKY

Haud on the noo, I'll phone Cindersmella.

STONKY

Aye dae it Wonky! Dae it! DAAAEEE ITT! Wonky dials and puts a phone up to her face.

WONKY

Haud yer wheesht Stonky, am daein it!

STONKY

Good!

WONKY

Och that wee rat isny answering! Perhaps she's with friends?

STONKY

Cinderella? Friends?! Aye right, she's more of a loner than Holly Willoughby on the *This Morning* sofa.

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WONKY

That's a gid yin!

STONKY

Ah ken.

WONKY

Let's hit the town, I reckon she's bopping about Porty, slackin off work!

STONKY

Let's get her.

WONKY

Aye!

Wonky and Stonky exit clumsily.