

Valley Musical Theatre
Cast Expectations & Agreement
2022 Summer Production
Mamma Mia

Please read this information carefully. For those under the age of 18, please discuss these expectations with your parents or guardians prior to auditions. The Auditioner's signature (and parent/guardian's signature for those under the age of 18) tells us you've both read and understand these expectations.

The Following is Required in Order to Audition:

1. a completed audition and conflict form completed online (<https://us.cast98.com/studios/vmt>),
2. a signed cast commitment agreement (Page 3 only), &
3. proof of up-to-date COVID-19 vaccination (including booster shot as needed) or a completed medical or religious exemption application form (available on the VMT website).

Introduction

Valley Musical Theatre is a community theatre experience with high expectations. We work together to create a professional production while enjoying the excitement and learning experiences of a community-based, supportive endeavor. We expect that this production will be positive and of the highest quality in every way. You are asked to agree to the following expectations.

Rehearsals and Attendance

Attendance is critical and required for the success of the show. The following attendance expectations must be followed:

- Cast, crew, and parents/guardians are required to attend the mandatory First Cast Meeting on Friday, April 15 at 6pm at Morgan Auditorium. This meeting will address ways VMT is adapting rehearsal and performance procedures for health procedures mandated by our COVID preparedness guidelines.
- All cast members are expected to attend every rehearsal for which they are called (exceptions for health reasons below). Cast members will only be called for those rehearsals they are required to participate in.
- Performances, tech/dress rehearsals, and set load-in/strike are mandatory.
- Cast members must be present, prepared, and ready to rehearse at the scheduled time. Rehearsals will begin exactly on time. Parents dropping off/ picking up children for rehearsals are committed to, and responsible for, doing so on time. For children under 18, one parent/guardian should attend with their child.
- Please bring your own water bottle, snacks to rehearsal.

Health Considerations/Coronavirus Precautions

In addition to describing measures that VMT has implemented in accordance with public health guidelines, it is also critical to convey that VMT simply cannot guarantee that all exposure to the virus will be eliminated. By participating in this production, you are acknowledging and accepting that risk.

Stage plays and musical theatre by their nature requires that actors use deep and forceful breathing to project their voice, and as such, staging that keeps all actors a minimum of six feet apart at all times is not always feasible. Whenever possible, VMT will encourage directors to rehearse in small groups/teams of people that routinely work together. Masks will not be worn on stage during rehearsal; however, you may put on a mask once you are done on stage if you feel more comfortable wearing a mask. That is a personal choice that will be respected by everyone in the cast and crew. During tech week, when you are in stage makeup, masks may not be worn at any time until you are done with rehearsal. Masks may or may not be required at music/voice rehearsals at the discretion of the director and the music director.

Each production will have an assigned Health Coordinator. This person(s) will coordinate with communicate and help implement public health guidelines, coordinate between producers, directors, and venues to implement plans. They may be asked to lead an all cast/crew meeting to review current health and cleaning procedures. They

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can determine, in conjunction with the venue organizer or producer if a volunteer or patron may safely enter the event space. We adapt to changing guidelines and follow state requirements established for the performing arts sector. You can view more information on our COVID and Health Guidelines page on the VMT website.

- Audition paperwork and pre-procedures have been moved to an online format.
- Auditions will be held by appointment
- In-person rehearsals held in this phase must meet current health guidelines.
- No backstage/green room guests, prior or after show.
- VMT will provide at rehearsals: hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes & spray, gloves, disposable masks, no-touch thermometer
- STAY HOME if you feel sick and notify the producer/music director as soon as possible of your absence, and of any positive COVID tests so we can mitigate exposure to other participants. A negative COVID test will be required prior to returning to rehearsals.

Make-up/Hair & Costumes

You will receive detailed information about the requirements for your hair and for professional make-up if you are cast. PLEASE NOTE: YOU MAY BE ASKED TO CUT OR STYLE YOUR HAIR IN A PARTICULAR FASHION. Also, DO NOT MAKE ANY CHANGES TO YOUR HAIR (cutting, trimming, coloring) WITHOUT THE EXPRESS PERMISSION OF THE DIRECTOR AND HAIR AND MAKEUP DESIGNER IF YOU ARE CAST. We will be requiring stage makeup kits and will make those available for purchase if you do not already own a kit.

Behavior

In order for this to be the best experience possible for all involved VMT has the following expectations.

- Professional, respectful, and safe behavior is required at all times towards other cast members, production staff, and anyone involved with the production of this show.
- If you have a child who is currently under the age of 18, by signing this form you are agreeing to adhere to all of these expectations yourself as well as to guide your child in their adherence to them.

Problems and/or Concerns

Please address all immediate concerns regarding this production to the Director or Producer. However, also please be aware that all members of the VMT Board and its Executive Director are available to you at any time to share concerns you may have with any aspect of this production specifically or VMT as an organization in general.

Mandatory Rehearsal and Performance Schedule:

Tech rehearsals, Performances and Strike are MANDATORY

Tech week – June 27-July 7 (July 4th off)

Performances – July 8-10 & 14-16

Strike – July 17

Your Valley Musical Theatre Contacts for this show are:

Adrienne Zimny, Producer – adzimny@hotmail.com or (509) 929-2057

Jim Denison, Director - jim.denison@me.com or 509-929-4149

Elise Rhodes, Music Director – elisevrhodes@gmail.com or (425) 736-0932

Jessica Solberg Black, VMT Executive Director – valleymusicaltheatre@gmail.com or 509-972-6633

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Cast Member Agreement
(Return this page at audition)

I have read the expectations for this production (attached) and agree to the best of my ability to abide by them. I understand that VMT reserves the right to remove anyone from participation at any time for not meeting said expectations. I have listed my conflict dates. This information is as complete and accurate as I can make it. I understand that this contract includes attendance and participation in ALL aspects of this production: set-up, promotion, etc.

I grant Valley Musical Theatre permission to use images or video of myself, my child or ward, taken at Valley Musical Theatre rehearsals, performances, or events for parent sharing and/or publication in the media for program publicity.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

If currently 18 or younger, a parent/guardian must agree to the following:

I have read and understand the expectations for this production and agree to MY and my child's participation.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information:

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Is it OK to send text? Y/N

Email: _____ Do you check email daily? Y/N