



Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

Follow that rabbit to a delightful, entertaining world of childhood fantasies. Alice journeys into a world of talking animals, comic royalty and races where the contestants run in circles! There are also the Mad Hatter's frantic tea party, the watch-carrying White Rabbit, and talking flowers. Along the way Alice must deal with a sneezing duchess and a baby that turns into a pig! The finale has Alice watching a trial, but she suddenly finds herself the accused! The play gives a modern view to an old classic, where nonsense makes quite good sense. **See Audition Sides to prepare!**

This production will be perform live to an in-person audience!

OPEN AUDITIONS: *Ages 6-Adult*

In-person auditions will be held at **Xclaim! Center** (502 College St.).

Pick **ONE** of the following times:

Friday, May 28 from 6:30p-7:30p

Saturday, May 29 from 4:30p-5:30p

Monday, 31 from 6:00p-7:00p

CASTING: The director will chose one cast for this production. With more than 30 characters, this production features a wide range of roles. **Xclaim!** Performance Academy students in good standing get extra consideration, but casting is based on BEHAVIOR, LACK OF CONFLICTS, and ability to best perform audition material. Race is *not* a factor in casting; gender may be a factor for a few roles. All casting decisions are at sole discretion of director.

REHEARSAL PERIOD: **June 4 – July 14, 2021**

Cast Read Thru is Friday, June 4 at 4:30p-6:30p. Rehearsals will depend on role size (usually 2 or 3 days per week but could be more). Rehearsals will be in-person at the **Xclaim! Center**. Masks are required for unvaccinated actors. Please see the audition form for possible rehearsal days/times.

REHEARSAL CONFLICTS: Rehearsal conflicts affect casting. If cast, the director accepted conflicts on your audition form, but later conflicts will NOT be accepted and WILL result in re-casting your role. **NO conflicts for TECH, Dress or Shows.**

TECH/DRESS Rehearsals: **July 8-14, 2021.** One rehearsal per day – No conflicts to final schedule.

PERFORMANCES: **July 15-18, 2021.** Shows open to live audiences! Thursday, Friday & Saturday at 7p. Sunday at 3p.

EXPECTATIONS, FEES & EXPENSES:

1. Production Fee: \$125.00 (\$15 script, \$50 activity, \$50 production needs-royalties/licensing/ props/scenery, \$10 PPE). Payable at once or in 2 installments (June 4 and 25).
2. Cost of main costume or supplies to make it (*garments or fabrics*)
3. Personal undergarments/dressing, footwear and make-up
4. Adhere to all current COVID-19 Policies and Guidelines
5. A minimum of 5 volunteers hours for costumes, props, set, fundraising, publicity or other production needs

BACKSTAGE & TECHNICAL POSITIONS: We are accepting submissions for technical positions in stage management, costuming, make-up, lighting and sound ops. Interested students should submit an audition form indicating their interest. The director will call to interview you and your family.

CONTACT INFO: For more information, visit the website

www.xclaiminc.com or email: **info@xclaiminc.com**
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CHARACTER LIST

HUMANS

ALICE	ALICE'S OLDER SISTER
<u>WONDERLAND COURT OF ROYLATY</u>	
KING OF HEARTS	QUEEN OF HEARTS
RED QUEEN	WHITE QUEEN
DUCHESS	KNAVE OF HEARTS

WONDERLAND WORKERS

WHITE RABBIT	COOK
CARD SOLDIER ONE	CARD SOLDIER TWO
FISH FOOTMAN	FROG FOOTMAN

WONDERLAND CITIZENS

MOUSE	MOCK TURTLE
LORY BIRD	DODO BIRD
CATERPILLAR	CHESHIRE CAT
TWEEDLEDEE	TWEEDLEDUM
MAD HATTER	MARCH HARE
DORMOUSE	ROSE
LILY	DAISY
HUMPTY DUMPTY	OTHER CITIZENS

AUDITION SIDES

Prepare at least 4 of the following characters:

ALICE: I know it sounds most odd, but I just fell down a rabbit hole. *(laughs)* Oh, I promise it's true. I've never been known to lie. You see, I was sitting by my sister in an open field. I was bored. I often am. Once or twice I peeped into the book my sister was reading, but it had no pictures or conversation in it. And what is the use of a book without pictures or conversations?

WHITE RABBIT: Oh, dear! I shall be late! Oh, the Duchess, the Duchess! Oh, won't she be a savage if I've kept her waiting! I'm late! I'm late! For a very important date! No time to say, "Hello!", "Goodbye!" I'm late! I'm late! I'm late!

RED QUEEN: Always speak the truth. Think before you speak. Write it down afterward! *(to Alice)* Where do you come from? Where are you going? Look up, speak nicely, and don't twiddle your fingers all the time. Why did you come out here at all? Curtsy while you're thinking of what to say. It saves time. I'm the Red Chess Queen.

WHITE QUEEN: Yes, I'm the White Queen. I'm afraid I'm a mess. It's the effect of living backwards. I can remember things that happened the week after next. My memory works both ways. Forward and backwards. I remember the trial of the Knave of Hearts for stealing tarts and the trial hasn't even started yet. *(suddenly starts screaming and jumping about holding her finger)* Oh, oh, oh! My finger's bleeding. Oh, oh, oh! ... Did I nick my finger? Not yet, but I shall – soon.

DUCHESS: *(To baby in her arms)* Pig! *(to Alice)* Why do you beg my pardon? I don't beg yours? You shouldn't beg mine. It's only fair. Besides, begging isn't nice. ... What do you mean, what is that? What a dull girl you are. Don't you know anything? It's a Cheshire Cat. They always grin. It's all they're good for. Too much pepper in the soup! *(to baby)* Pig!

CHESHIRE CAT: Meow. I'm the Cheshire Cat. It's nice seeing you again. Do you remember? Back at the Duchess'. I was there all the time. I fade in and out when the mood strikes. I leave my grin back in the kitchen. I don't carry it everywhere I go. Someone might steal it. We're all mad here. I'm mad. You're mad.

CATERPILLAR: Who are you? ... Nonsense? That's all you're going to hear in this place. North, East, South, West...it's all nonsense. Can you recite my favorite poem: "You Are Old, Father William"? Loudly. Don't slur your words. With feeling. Begin. ... Stop! That is not said right. Wrong from beginning to end!

KING OF HEARTS: What have you done? ... Nothing?! Doing nothing in Wonderland is a crime. Very well. You have a nice face. I'll excuse you...this time. I feel faint. Give me a ham sandwich. I am the King of Hearts. Are you coming to the trial? No use. If you'll excuse me, my dear, I must find a ham sandwich!

QUEEN OF HEARTS: Off with his head! Off with his head! Sentence first! Verdict afterwards! Off with his head!

TWEEDLEDEE/DUM: If you think we're waxworks, you ought to pay, you know. Waxworks weren't made to be looked at for nothing. Nohow! Contrariwise, if you think we're alive, you ought to speak. Do you like poetry? "The Walrus and the Carpenter" is our favorite. It's all about a walrus and a carpenter who trick some oysters in to taking a walk with them. And then they eat the oysters. *(giggle)*

MARCH HARE: *(sees Alice)* No room! No room! No room for extra guests. It wasn't polite of you to sit down without being invited. What month is it? ... March? March? I'm the March Hare! *(giggles)* I want a clean tea cup. Let's all move one please. Let's all move one place!

MAD HATTER: I quarreled with Time last March...just before he went mad. It was at the great concert given by the Queen of Hearts. I had to sing. I'd hardly finished the first verse when the Queen bawled out: "He's murdering Time! Off with his head!" Ever since then, Time won't do a thing. It's always tea time now. We never have time to wash the plates, the cups, the saucers.

WONDERLAND CITIZENS – read the following line and finish with a character line below *(be prepared to perform ALL 4 at audition)*

ALL: Anything is possible in Wonderland. Simply think backwards. How do you do, my dear.

DODO: I'm the Dodo Bird! The best way to get us dry would be a Caucus Race. We get in a circle and run! Faster, faster, faster! And the race is over!

LORY: I'm the Lory Bird! My feathers are not stuck together anymore! EVERYBODY has won, and all must have prizes! Prizes! Prizes!

MOCK TURTLE: I'm not a real turtle, y'know. I'm a Mock Turtle. So when I sing, you shouldn't expect to hear a real song.

MOUSE: Did you say "CAT!" ... Not like cats? Would you like cats if you were me? Nasty, low, vulgar things! Don't let me hear the name "cat" again!

Download Audition Form at

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