Electric City Playhouse (ECP) proudly announces auditions for THE HOLIDAY CHANNEL CHERISICAS MOVIE WONDERTHON by Don Zolidis

Performances:

- Run December 6-15, 2024
 - Friday & Saturday performances at 7:30pm
 - Sunday performances at 3pm
- Take place at Electric City Playhouse (ECP), 514 N. Murray Ave., Anderson, SC 29625

Auditions will be held at ECP

- Saturday, October 19, 2024, from 10am-1pm
- Sunday, October 20, 2024, from 6pm-8pm
 - Video auditions are welcome and can be sent to <u>ecplayhouseauditions@gmail.com</u>. Deadline for submission of video auditions is midnight Saturday, October 19, 2024.

Synopsis: Christmas: a time for magic. A time for the traditions we cherish. A time to watch as many original TV movies as a human being can possibly endure. But now with *The Holiday Channel Christmas Movie Wonderthon,* you can enjoy the sugar rush of six Christmas movies all at once! Welcome to Hopewood Falls, Vermont, where singles in adorable sweaters converge to look for love. Can disguises help royalty and/or movie stars find the down-to-earth connections they crave? Will evil city slickers destroy charming inns and/or Christmas tree farms? Isn't it a little creepy for a meet-cute to depend on one person being in a coma? Grab a hot chocolate and your favorite wise single friend to find out in this wildly entertaining parody of holiday rom-coms.

Characters/Roles: 7 women, 7 men, 2 any (16-31 actors possible: 7-15 plus ensemble

- Narrator 1
- Narrator 2
- Holly, owner of the Evergreen Inn in Hopewood Falls, Vermont. A heart of gold.
- **Brett**, stranded by a snowstorm, but secretly a prince from Artemisia, a tiny aristocratic country in Europe that no one has ever heard of. Luckily, he's rich, y'all.
- Joy, a romance novelist, visiting the inn to try to break her writer's block.
- **Paul**, a rival romance novelist, running his own writers retreat kind of a self-important jerk, but with the love of the right woman, he's probably a pretty nice guy.
- **Carol**, a war reporter, home for the holidays, tired of big city life.
- Jackson, 35, a veterinarian, who owns two golden retrievers.
- **Merry**, in town to search out the perfect Christmas tree for the big Christmas celebration in the big city. A real estate lawyer businessperson with no time for love.
- Blake, rugged, owner of a tree farm. He's heartbroken but oh-so-handsome.
- **Kris**, the son of the former of Santa Claus in the town parade, but he has troubles, y'all. Troubles. Currently working as a real estate lawyer businessperson.
- **Noelle**, owner of the oldest Christmas ornament boutique in town, charged with helping Kris quit his job and become a full time Santa. Filled with the Christas spirit.
- **Sven**, the secret prince of Broxtenburg, which is another tiny aristocratic country in Europe that no one has ever heard of. Shocker, he's also rich as heck.
- Rita, movie star filming a movie in Hopewood Falls, but pretending to be an ordinary girl.

Preparation: You may prepare a monologue, if you would like, but it is not necessary. Be prepared to cold read for the director.

If possible, complete audition forms (linked on the ECP website here: <u>https://ecplayhouse.com/auditions/</u>), which you can print and fill out in advance or complete one at auditions.

All auditionees are encouraged to bring a non-returnable headshot and resume. Copies will be available onsite. Should an auditionee not have a headshot, we may take a photo or video during auditions for the director's reference.

Anticipated Rehearsal Schedule: Rehearsals may begin as early as Monday, October 21, 2024, and will primarily be on weeknights. Scheduling will consider unavoidable conflicts of cast members, so all known conflicts should be written on the Conflict Calendar.