Audition notice

Wigan Little Theatre is proud to present **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**. We would like to invite you to audition for an acting role or contact us if you would like to be part of the productions in another area. For a description of each non-acting role, please see pages 3 and 4.

GOLDILOCKS AND THE THREE BEARS

Playwright:	Bill Collins
Director:	Caroline McCann
Assistant Director:	Katie Davis
Musical Director:	Joan Bond
Choreographer:	Louise Hawkes
Audition:	Saturday, 22nd September 2018 at 3.00 pm in the auditorium
Production dates:	10 th to 26 th January 2019 (matinee performances from 2:15 pm on 12 th , 13 th , 19 th
	and 20 th January 2019)

Synopsis of play

This is a traditional pantomime. The story is loosely based around the children's tale of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. The action takes place around a travelling circus with Lions, Tigers andthree bears. Oh My! Principle Boy is Barnaby Bunkum, Circus Master, who comes to town with his circus. There will be lots of singing and dancing and pantomime frivolity and of course slapstick and japes and the usual happy ending.

Director's notes

The panto plays a pivotal role in Wigan Little Theatre's season and is always a sell-out.

I'm looking for good strong singers, good actors and people who can move to music. I want to be able to hear lines pronounced clearly and be able to hear the words of songs. As your Director, I will give you 100% commitment and I expect the same in return. I want people who are focused, hardworking and not afraid of a challenge!

Rehearsals

3 times a week (Tuesdays, Friday (principle rehearsal) and Sunday evenings.)

Audition pieces

Dialogue pieces will be provided to auditionees on request.

Singing:

History Maker (<u>https://binged.it/2nimWwD</u> for song and lyrics) The Bare Necessities– (from the Jungle Book)

Dancing:

There will also be a short movement audition for **all** auditionees.

Cast (Characters in order of appearance)

Barnaby Bunkum	(Female/Male, Acting age 20-30) Principle Boy. Very strong singer and good actor required.
Silly Billy	(Male, Acting age 20+) Big Comedy slapstick part. Must be a good singer and dancer too.
Goldilocks	(Female, 18+) Principle Girl. Very strong singer and good actor required.
Dame Daisy Dogberry	Please note this part has been pre-cast.
Flop	(Male, 14-30) Sidekick of Flip. Big Comedy Part. The Bossy One!
Flip	(Male,14-30) Sidekick of Flop. Big Comedy Part. The Daft One!
Sebastian Black	(Male, 40+) Typical Baddie of the play. A nasty animal trainer.
Septic Peg	(Female, 30+) Gypsy Fortune Teller. Comedy Part. Sebastien's sidekick.
Fairy	(Female, 20+) The Good Fairy.
Father Bear	(Male, 30+) Good dancer and singer.
Mother Bear	(Female, 30+) Good dancer and singer.
Baby Bear	(Male, 12+) Good dancer and singer.
Twitcher	(Female, 40+) A bird watcher. This part can be doubled up with Septic Peg.
Chorus	(12+) I'm looking for a strong energetic chorus (adults and children). The chorus is very important in a Pantomime. You must be a strong singer, a good mover and for the circus element of the show, I will also be interested in people who can do tricks, i.e. jugglers, acrobats! Overall, I am looking for individuals who are versatile, enthusiastic and hard working.

Scripts

To request a script contact the Director, Caroline McCann on 07813 926526 or <u>caroline.pendle70@gmail.com</u> or ask any member of the Play Selection & Casting Committee:

Paul Leffler	07854 086332	Paul_leffler@hotmail.com
Anne Woolley	 07799 061558	 akwoolley@blueyonder.co.uk
Tracey Dawson	 07715 534716	 traceydawson67@hotmail.com
John Naughton	 07786 941858	 john.naughton1@blueyonder.co.uk
Kath O'Leary	 07863 794431	 kathleenoleary14@hotmail.com

THE COMPANY

Actors

WLT aims for a very high standard of production and maximum commitment is required to achieve this. Rehearsals can take place for 8 to 12 weeks prior to the performance dates, typically 3 or 4 times a week in the evenings or on Sundays. In the event of not being able to attend the audition date, you should contact the Director or a member of our Play Selection and Casting Committee (PSCC). Please be aware that only one alternative audition will be held and times will be limited due to everyone's availability. If you are interested in auditioning for a part, please contact the Director or any member of PSCC.

Bar

Members of this team should be over the age of 18. They are responsible for working behind the bar, which is open from 7.00pm until 11.00 pm during each production. Members often do one or two nights during any production. If you're interested in bar work please contact Brendan on 07566 200717.

Box Office

We need friendly and helpful people who have good interpersonal skills both face to face and over the phone. Experience of working with IT will be an advantage but training will be given on the box office computer and administrative systems. Box Office opening hours are 7 - 9 p.m. If you're interested in joining this team please contact secretary@wiganlittletheatre.co.uk.

Coffee

Coffee is sold during the interval. Most helpers arrive prior to the opening of the show on one or two separate occasions to make and serve the coffee, and once the washing up is done they are free to go! If you're interested in making and serving coffee please contact Muriel on 01942 741583

Front of House

The Front of House (FOH) team welcome the public to a show, hand them their tickets where appropriate, escort them to their seats if necessary and remain on hand until the end of the show when the FOH representative will wait until the last patron has left before locking the main doors. The usual commitment is for one or two nights during the run of a show from 7 - 10 approximately. If you're interested in joining this team please contact Tracey on 07715 534716

Lighting and Sound

The Technical Support Group is responsible for the design and operation of the lighting and sound for each production. Setting up a new show normally takes place on two or three separate evenings before the Technical Rehearsal, and then two or three members are at the Theatre each night of the production to operate the lighting and sound desks and provide any additional services required by the show. Training will be given and you won't be left to work alone until you feel completely confident. If you're interested in joining this team please contact Neil on 07429 141102.

Programme Sales

This job is as simple as it sounds! All you need is your smile and the ability to handle cash - and then all you have to do is wait for patrons to come to you to buy a programme! Programme sellers usually arrive at around 6.45 and stay on duty until the start of the show at 7.30 p.m. <u>If you're interested in joining this team please contact Hilary on 07882 276837.</u>

Prompts

Members of the prompt team are never seen – and hopefully never heard – during the run of a production! Prompts work on a rota basis and attend rehearsals for approximately three weeks prior to the opening of the show and for one or two nights during a show, sitting in the wings with a copy of the script, ready to whisper a helpful reminder if required! If you're interested in prompting a please contact the Director of the production.

Properties

Attention to detail when setting the scene can certainly bring life to a production. This is the aim of our props team. New members are welcome to join us with maybe a view to becoming a props leader. To fulfil this we are looking for volunteers who are organised, creative and who can deal with situations in a sensible and realistic manner. Commitment to shows and their rehearsal time is necessary. Working together we can create innovative and exciting productions. If you're interested in joining this team please contact Elaine on 07772 833544

Set Building

For this any DIY or trade experience would be useful, but definitely not necessary! A lot of the work involves carrying/moving theatre flats, steps, doors etc. and holding them while they are fixed in place. We have a workshop at the side of the stage with the materials and equipment that we need. There is always someone around so you won't be asked to do any job or use any tools that you don't feel comfortable with. Generally, we build the sets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and Thursday evenings from 7 until 9 p.m. All times are approximate and, of course, you can come and go at whatever time suits you within those time periods. So, if you could spare any time at all (even just the odd hour) we would appreciate it. If you're interested in joining this team please contact Brian on 07811 530293.

Set Painting

Set painters bring the set to life with their paintbrushes, whether it's a Victorian Drawing Room or a street of terraced houses! You don't have to be Monet - anybody who can use a paintbrush is welcome and the ability to climb a step ladder is also useful! Set painters work during the day, usually the week before a play opens, generally between 10 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. Guidance will be provided along with frequent coffees and a lunch break – and you can stay for as long or as short as you like <u>If you're interested please contact</u> <u>Christine on 07716 318886</u>

Stage Management

The role of the stage manager is to ensure the smooth running of a performance. You will enjoy this role if you are interested in all things theatrical; tactful when dealing with directors, actors and other members of the theatre; able to remain calm under pressure; able to organise a team; be a good communicator; are mature and sensible in attitude – ideally over 18 years of age. <u>If you're interested in joining this team please contact Paul on 07718 063516.</u>

Sweet Sales

Sweets are sold prior to the start of the show and the interval, along with ice creams, during each performance. Sweet sellers are expected to be on duty from around 6.45 until after the interval, the time for which obviously varies. If you would like to help us by selling sweets please contact Muriel on 01942 741583

Wardrobe

The Wardrobe Department supplies and constructs suitable costumes for every production. In addition, the Department is responsible for cleaning, repairing and maintaining the existing costumes. Some heavy lifting can be required, however any help is a benefit to support the department. Ability to sew is a bonus. If you're interested in joining this team please contact Stacey on 07913 972441.

Please note that you will be required to become a member of Wigan Little Theatre to take part in any production, in any capacity.