

FORT WAYNE CIVIC THEATRE – MUSICAL AUDITIONS

COME FROM AWAY

at the Arts United Center

Directors-Gavin Drew, Assistant Director-Elle Mettert, Music Director-Kelly Gomes,
Stage Manager – Brittney Lynne Koza, Assistant Stage Manager – TBA,

COME FROM AWAY (Musical) – September 18-27, 2026, at the Arts United Center – RATED PG-13

Come From Away is based on the true story of the time when the isolated community of Gander, Newfoundland, played host to the world. What started as an average day in a small town turned into an international sleepover, when 38 planes, carrying thousands of people from around the globe, were diverted to Gander's airstrip on September 11, 2001. Undaunted by culture clashes and language barriers, the people of Gander cheered the stranded travelers with music, an open bar and the recognition that we're all part of a global family.

AUDITIONS: ALL Auditions will take place at the Arts United Center, 303 E. Main St.

VOCAL AUDITIONS: Sunday, June 28th

CALLBACKS: Monday, June 29th from 7:00-10:00pm

AUDITION PROCESS - MUST SIGN UP: You must attend auditions. SIGN UP **by Thursday, June 25th** for a specific time slot (5 people per 15-minute time slots). <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DA9AA23AAF66-64192253-come>

If you have questions or concerns, contact Gavin Drew: 260-422-8641 x226, gdrew@fwcivic.org

AUDITION FORM & PHOTO: Please complete the audition form, which you can find at the Signup Genius Link above or at fwcivic.org. Email it to Gavin Drew at gdrew@fwcivic.org with a headshot by Thursday, June 25th. **It is very important that we have a list of ALL CONFLICTS at the time of the audition.**

REHEARSALS:	Mon.-Fri. August 3-September 11 (7:00-10:00 pm) @ Arts United Center – 303 E. Main St.
TECH SUNDAY:	Sunday, September 13 (12-5:00pm & 6-11:00 pm) @ Arts United Center
DRESS REH.:	Mon.-Wed., September 14-16 (6:00-11 pm) @ Arts United Center
ITW/PLU PERF.:	Thursday, September 17 (Call 6:00/7:30 pm Curtain) @ Arts United Center
PERFORMANCES:	2 Weekends Fri. & Sat., September 18, 19, 25, 26, (6:30 Call/7:30 pm Curtain) Wednesday September 23 rd (6:30pm Call/7:30pm Dinner on Stage Performance) Thursday September 24 th (6:30 Call/7:30pm Curtain) Saturday Matinees TBA HOLDS on September 19 & 26 – T.B.D. Sunday Matinees, September 20 & 27 (1:00 Call/2:00 pm Curtain)

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: You must be **20 years old or older to audition**. We encourage actors of all ethnicities to audition. We are committed to casting a group of actors that accurately reflects our community. Actors of all sizes, shapes, race, gender, and ability will be considered.

For the vocal audition, please come prepared with sheet music to sing approximately one verse or one chorus of a song similar in style to the show. An accompanist will be provided for you. If you are invited to attend the callbacks, we will provide sides and music cuts for you to sing.

WHERE: Auditions will be held by Fort Wayne Civic Theatre at the Arts United Center West Studio/Rehearsal Hall. Please arrive 15 minutes early to check in and enter the new Northwest entrance of the building. If you haven't emailed your audition form and photo to Gavin in advance, bring it with you to give it to the stage manager upon arrival.

CHARACTERS:

Cast Size: Medium (12 performers, 1 male presenting swing, 1 female presenting swing)

Cast Type: Trained Singers, Ensemble Cast

Dance Requirements: Heavy movement

Claude & others: The gregarious and well-liked Mayor of Gander, Newfoundland, Claude loves his work, the townspeople and his daily traditions, but he's never had to deal with a crisis of this magnitude before. Also plays Derm and Brenda's Brother, Eddie.

Gender: male, Age: 40 to 60, Vocal range top: G4

Bonnie & others: A no-nonsense mother of three, Bonnie is the head of the Gander area SPCA. When she discovers animals are trapped on the planes, she stops at nothing to ensure their safety - but in frustration, she often lashes out at those around her. Also plays Martha.

Gender: female, Age: 30 to 40, Vocal range top: B4

Beulah & others: The head of the Gander Legion, with a firefighter son, who walks Hannah to her church and prays with her. Also plays Delores.

Gender: female, Age: 40 to 60

Oz & others: The quirky constable in the two-person Gander police force. When the town's population suddenly doubles, Oz helps out in unexpected ways. Also plays Joey, Customs Officer, Mr. Michaels, Terry, Matty, Rabbi, and Head Cardiologist.

Gender: male, Age: 30 to 50, Vocal range top: G4

Janice & others: An eager new local TV reporter, Janice is thrown into the deep end on her first day. Initially naïve about the world, Janice must face the pain and confusion around her. Also plays Britney and Flight Attendant.

Gender: female, Age: 20 to 30, Vocal range top: E5

Beverley/Annette & others:

Beverly: The first female captain for American Airlines Pilot, Beverly Bass has always loved flying, when her world suddenly changes.

Annette: A schoolteacher at Gander Academy with an active fantasy life. Also plays Reporter.

Gender: female, Age: 50 to 60, Vocal range top: C#5

Diane & others: A traditional divorcee from Texas, who is terrified that her son may have been flying at the time of the attacks. When she finds out that he's safe, she's given a new lease on life and discovers a wilder more carefree side of herself. Also plays Crystal and Brenda.

Gender: female, Age: 50 to 60, Vocal range top: C#5, Vocal range bottom: A3

Nick/Doug & others:

Nick: An English oil engineer who is focused on his work, Nick's life is turned upside down when he falls for Diane.

Doug: An Air Traffic Controller, married to Bonnie, who tries to help his wife and the animals. Also plays Officer Stephenson, and Male Townsperson.

Gender: male, Age: 50 to 60, Vocal range top: E4

Kevin T/Garth & others

Kevin T: The head of an environmental energy company in Los Angeles, Kevin was on vacation with his boyfriend (and secretary, also named Kevin), when they are stranded in Gander. Inspired by the town's generosity, Kevin creates the Pay It Forward Foundation.

Garth: The head of the local union, representing the Bus Drivers. Also plays President Bush.

Gender: male, Age: 30 to 50, Vocal range top: G4

Kevin J/Ali & others

Kevin J: Kevin's boyfriend and secretary. Sarcastic and unhappy, he wants to leave as soon as possible.

Ali: An Egyptian man traveling to America who experiences isolation and Islamophobia but who finds a connection to Beulah. Also plays Dwight.

Gender: male, Age: 30 to 50

Hannah & others: The mother of a firefighter in Manhattan, Hannah waits for news about her son and is comforted by Beulah. Also plays Margie and Mickey.

Gender: female, Age: 40 to 60, Vocal range top: E5

Bob & others: A hardened New Yorker, Bob is suspicious of where he's landed, fearing that it's World War 3, that someone is going to shoot him and steal his wallet - but instead, he ends up losing his New York jadedness. Also plays Muhumuza and Captain Bristol.

Gender: male, Age: 20 to 40

If you would like to serve on the backstage crew or wardrobe for this production, please email Ashley Brassell:

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