

FORT WAYNE CIVIC THEATRE - AUDITIONS

Steel Magnolias

Director-Reuben Albaugh, Stage Manager-Bobbi Jo Carroll, Asst. Stage Manager: Jennifer Beineke

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September 9-18, 2022

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Step into Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done. Helped by her eager assistant, Annelle, the outspoken Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to the town's rich curmudgeon, Ouiser, an eccentric millionaire, Miss Clairee, and the local social leader, M'Lynn, whose daughter, Shelby is about to be married. The salon is filled with snappy and hilarious conversations and more than a few verbal collisions. The play moves toward tragedy when the spunky Shelby (who is a diabetic) risks pregnancy and loses her life. The sudden realization of their mortality affects those left behind, ultimately proving that these southern ladies are as delicate as magnolias but as tough as steel. ~ Arts United Center

AUDITIONS: Sunday, June 26th at the Arts United Center, 303 E. Main St. **TIME:** 6:00 p.m. (arrive by 5:45 p.m.)

CALL BACKS: No Call Backs (All must attend on June 26 at 6pm)

DUE TO THE COVID-19 RECOMMENDATIONS: **Masks are recommended, but not required when in the building.**

MUST SIGN UP: You **must** attend auditions. SIGN UP by **June 23rd** (All must attend on June 26 at 6pm)

CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP! Please complete the audition form, which you can find where you sign up or at fwcivic.org and email it back to Eunice at: ewadewitz@fwcivic.org with a headshot or selfie. **It is very important that we have a list of ALL CONFLICTS at the time of the audition.**

REHEARSALS: Mon.-Fri., August 1-Sept. 7 (7:00-10:00 pm)

DRY TECH/TECH REH: Tech Saturday, Sept. 3rd (12 noon to 5:00, dinner break 5-6, then continue 6:00-11:00pm)

DRESS REH: Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 5-7 (6:00-11:00pm)

ITW Perf: Thursday, Sept. 8 (6:30pm Call/7:30 Curtain)

OPENING NIGHT: Friday, Sept. 9 (6:30pm Call/7:30 Curtain)

PERFORMANCES: September 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, and 18,

Fri. & Sat. Evenings Perfs. (6:30pm Call/7:30 pm Curtain), Sunday Matinees Perfs. (1:00pm Call/2:00pm Curtain)

Saturday matinees (T.B.A. HOLD perfs; 1:00pm Call/2:00pm Curtain) Brush Up Reh. Thursday, Sept. 15 (6:00 Call) East

STRIKE: After the last perf. Pizza will be served and striking the set will begin.

AUDITION FORM & PHOTO: Please complete the audition form, which you can find where you sign up or at fwcivic.org and email it back to Eunice at: ewadewitz@fwcivic.org with a headshot or selfie. **It is very important that we have a list of ALL CONFLICTS at the time of the audition.**

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: Come prepared to do cold readings from the script.

WHERE: Auditions will be held at the Arts United Center at 303 East Main Street. Enter from the rear of the building, using the glass doors to the Green Room. Please arrive 15 minutes early to check in. If you didn't email your audition form and photo to Eunice in advance, bring it with you to give to the stage manager upon arrival.

CAST OF CHARACTERS: We encourage all ethnicities to audition. You must be age 17 or older to audition.

Truvy: 40-year-old owner of a small-town beauty shop. She knows everyone's business and shares it with anyone who will listen. Southern Belle. She always has advice for you, and they often come in the form of country sayings.

Annelle: very shy twenty-year-old hairdresser. She goes from a very soft-spoken person to a bible-loving Christian with her heart on her sleeve.

Clairee: 60-year-old widow of the former mayor of Chinquapin. She is wealthy and knows everyone's business. She is the sarcastic member of the group. She loves to laugh and poke fun at the little things that others cry over. She is very close with Ouiser.

Shelby: Roughly 25-year-old diabetic young lady. Prettiest girl in town and loved by all. She has a weird relationship with her mother, and often rebels just for the sake of rebellion.

M'Lynn: 50-year-old mother of Shelby. She is over-protective at times and finds the need to always have a firm grasp on the world. She is a busy woman who worries too much for her age.

Ouiser (pronounced Weezer): She is the same age as Clairee. She is a wealthy old biddy. She is a loveably miserable lady, though. Her unique personality and sense of humor is a great relief in the serious scenes. She is very close to Clairee.