

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL - CASTING CALL

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South Hill Park is delighted to announce our 2019 Easter title: the Disney blockbuster '*High School Musical*'.

Following on from the success of '*Seussical the Musical*' and '*Madagascar*', the Easter production at South Hill Park has garnered a fantastic reputation and is a highlight of the arts centre's calendar.

The creative team will be looking to attract a strong and talented cast of community performers for yet another ambitious, high-energy presentation, which will once again delight and surprise audiences and maintain the art centre's reputation for producing, exceptional, in-house' musical-theatre.

We are primarily looking to cast 14 - 30 year olds.

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You will be taught a song and dance number at the audition.

As of the new year, rehearsals will be on Wednesday & Thursday evenings with alternate Sundays.

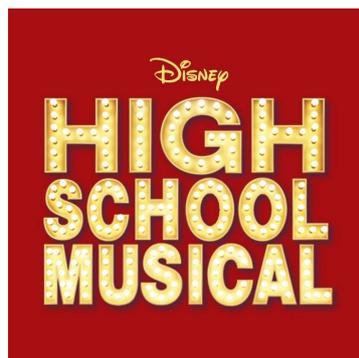
Please only commit if you are available for the listed dates.

The rehearsal & production schedule is provided separately.

Auditions - 20 Minute Slots (in small groups)

Friday 02 November 2018, 5pm - 10pm

Please book your slot via mark.hooper@southhillpark.org.uk



Character Breakdown

US accents required for ALL characters, please.

We are looking for young people aged 14 to 30 to fill the majority of the roles in this production. Where a 'Playing Age' is indicated, this is only a guide.

Troy Bolton

The most popular kid at East High, he is the star of the basketball team who yearns to be more than what people want him to be. Troy discovers his love for music but refuses to admit it. Athletic, attractive, and a true leader. He becomes smitten with Gabriella.

Gender: Male

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: B5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Chad Danforth

Troy's best friend. A star basketball player, part of the jocks, and second in command. Extremely focused on winning his school's basketball championship, but is slowly understanding that there might be more to this world, including his sparring crush on Taylor.

Gender: Male

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: B5

Vocal range bottom: A3

Zeke Baylor

A basketball player on the Wildcats Team. Energetic and charismatic. He has two secrets: a crush on Sharpay and a love for baking, which he is happy and relieved to eventually reveal.

Gender: Male

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: G5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Sharpay Evans

The egocentric 'diva-star' of the school musicals, she is Ryan's older twin and the alpha dog. She thinks being the musical star defines her and clutches the title like her life depends on it, no matter what the cost to others.

Gender: Female

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: F5

Vocal range bottom: A3

Ryan Evans

Sharpay's fraternal twin and a self-delusional 'star in the making.' He typically feels the brunt of Sharpay's attacks and lives under her shadow. Although he possesses a diva exterior, he yearns to change.

Gender: Male

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: B5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Gabriella Montez

The new girl in school. She is trying to blend in and avoid 'labels' at her new school. Eventually becomes Troy's romantic counterpart. Pretty, shy, and smart.

Gender: Female

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: E5

Vocal range bottom: F3

Taylor McKessie

The competitive head Brainiac of the school and President of the Science Club. She convinces Gabriella to join the Science Decathlon team. Taylor has a hidden soft spot for Chad, which she hides.

Gender: Female

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: C5

Vocal range bottom: G3

Jack Scott

The resident P.A. Announcer for the high school. He is shy and insecure in front of the rest of the kids, but smooth and confident at the mic. Known as the "Velvet Fog of East High."

Gender: Male

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: G5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Kelsi Nielsen

The drama club's rehearsal pianist and student composer extraordinaire who is having her musical produced at school. Underneath her shy demeanor, Kelsi is an outspoken firecracker.

Gender: Female

Playing Age: 14 to 18

Vocal range top: D5

Vocal range bottom: A3

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Ms. Darbus

The kooky, eccentric Drama Club teacher. She has her self-absored moments but is still devoted to her students and constantly encourages them. Passionate about the art of theatre.

Gender: Female

Playing Age: 35 to 55

Coach Bolton

The stern basketball coach and Troy's dad. He lost the big game years ago and wants his son to succeed where he failed. Blinded by his ambition for his son, he is still a good guy and proud father.

Gender: Male

Playing Age: 40 to 45

Ensemble

Jocks; Thespians; Skaters; Cheerleaders; Party Kids; Adults; Brainiacs; Spectators

AUDITION SIDES

CHOOSE ONE SIDE

Male Choice One

"My parents' friends are always saying, 'Your son is the basketball guy. You must be so proud.' Sometimes I don't want to be 'the basketball guy.' I just want to be, you know, me."
"I can't believe you guys! Is this what you guys want to hear: Singing means nothing to me! Gabriella means nothing to me! I'll forget the audition, forget her, and we'll go get that championship! Everyone happy now?"

Male Choice Two

"Attention, custodial staff: a nauseous freshman just spilt his pancakes all over the third floor corridor. We're talking major spewage, folks, so watch out-
(Ms. Darbus hands Jack a note about the drama club.)

Sorry, Peeps, this just in: Please remember to sign up for the school musical, Juliet and Romeo, by red-hot composer babe Kelsi Neilson. Until later, this is Jack Scott, the Velvet Frog of East High."

Female Choice One

"At my other school I was 'the freaky math girl.' That's all they thought I was... always pointing at me, whispering behind my back. They made me feel like I was a freak and I hated it. That's kind of why I want to keep a low profile here, you know, so I can just be me."

"Guess what? I don't want to do the callbacks, either! Who were we kidding? You've got your team, and now I've got my team. I'll do the science Decathlon, you win your championship. It's where we belong. Go Wildcats!"

Female Choice Two

"So nice of you to show our new classmate around.
(to Gabriella)

Troy is such a sweetheart, isn't he? He's the star of the basketball team, just like I'm the star of the Drama Club. We're perfect for each other, don't you think? Are we having lunch together, Troy? Oh, look, the sign-ups for the musical."

(Sharpay signs her name on the sheet and says to Gabriella.) Oh.. were you going to sign-up too? I'm so sure we could find something for you. The ugly old Nurse has lots of fun."

Female Choice Three

"If you want to rehearse, I'm usually in the music room during free period and after school... and sometimes even during biology class. Call me on my cell phone and I'm there! Or if it's easier, I can give you a wake up call and come over with my accordion... it's mobile!"

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Ms. Darbus

(Addressing the class)

"But, soft! What light through yonder window breaks? It is the east, and Juliet is the sun.
Arise, fair sun, and kill the envious moon, who is already sick and pale with that grief, that
thou her maid art far more fiar than she.

(Darbus bangs dong, Sharpay, Ryan and Kelsi Applaud.)

Thank you.... Thank you very much. Well, once again, they forgot to announce the
auditions for the winter musical, Juliet and Romeo, written by our very our Kelsi Neilson.
Kelsi, stand up and take a bow."