

Charlotte's Web – A new adaptation of the classic tale

Theatre for Young People - Casting

Altru Drama CIC are now casting for talented, versatile actors for 'Charlotte's Web' which will tour school and community venues in November & December 2022. Performances are Monday – Saturday and primarily in the North-West of England.

We are looking for 4 actors for this new adaptation of Charlotte's Web by E.B White which is currently still in development. The piece will run at an hour long, with lots of audience participation and live music played throughout. The play will be an innovative storytelling performance, which is engaging for children of all ages and families too.

All actors should be strong multi-role physical performers with comedic and storytelling skills. We are keen for all actors to have some musical skill, the ability to play an instrument is desirable but not essential. All cast members will be required to sing.

As the piece is performed at a variety of locations, we will prioritise those who are drivers, aged 25+ and have 3 years of driving experience.

Rehearsals:

Wednesday 16th November - Friday 25th November Weekdays only (Possibly including one evening)

Tour:

Monday 28th November – Wednesday 21st December Some weekend performances.

ROLES AVAILABLE:

Charlotte the Spider

Female identifying actor. We are looking for a strong physical performer, possibly with a dance background/skills. Charlotte is kind, supportive and wise with a gentle energy. This actor will also be required to multi-role and play other parts in the performance.

Wilbur the Pig

Any gender. We are looking for a young looking performer with lots of energy, strong physical skills and an excellent singing voice. Wilbur is the runt of the little who becomes the star of the show! He has a youthful energy, a zest for life and is the best friend you could have. This actor will also be required to multi-role and play other parts in the performance.

Fern

Female identifying actor. We are looking for an actor with a youthful appearance but plenty of sass and determination. Fern is the young daughter of the farm into which Wilbur is born. Her tenacity and strength mean Wilbur is not sent to his death. This actor will also be required to multirole and play other parts in the performance.

Templeton the Rat

Any gender. We are looking for a strong performer with great comedic skills and good musicality. Ideally this actor will play the guitar or another instrument. Templeton is a selfish rat who lives in the farm and, despite his gruff exterior, supports the efforts of Charlotte and the others to save Wilbur.

Fee: £494 per week.

Due to the nature of this project, we require applicants to have a North West base.

Applicants must hold a current DBS (issued within the last 12 months) or be willing to apply for one at their own cost.

Altru Drama is committed to Equal Opportunities and our aim is to create a diverse and inclusive working environment, which reflects the young people we work with and for. We welcome applications from all sections of the community.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Please go to our website and download the application form. The application form should then be completed and returned with your performers CV or spotlight link and headshot.

If you have a link to a showreel, particularly if this includes work that is relevant / demonstrates your musical ability please also include this in your email.

Please return everything to jobs@altru.co.uk. (Please note, the mailbox will be monitored and attended to on a Monday, Wednesday and Thursday)

Application checklist:

- Completed application form
- CV/Spotlight link
- Headshot
- Showreel link (if you have one)

Closing date: Sunday 14th August 9.00pm

If we would like to invite you to audition, you will be notified on the 17th August 2022.

Audition Day: Tuesday 23rd August 2022

Decisions made and outcomes sent: Wednesday 24th August

If you have any questions, please contact us via email: jobs@altru.co.uk