

THEATRE – ACTOR EXPECTATIONS

**As an actor your body is your instrument.
Take care of yourself and be safe.**

**It is up to you to be a responsible actor
and make good choices**

BE ON TIME

- Snack before, not during rehearsal. Also at breaks, stay energized with healthy snacks.
- Being punctual shows respect to all involved.
- Be ready for rehearsal: dance shoes on, script/music out, etc.

BE PREPARED/ORGANIZED/RESPONSIBLE

- Water, water, and water... stay hydrated!
- Dance clothes: comfortable clothes to move in, dance shoes, character shoes, etc.
- Script, music, pencils, highlighter, etc.
- Recording device: for music rehearsals especially if you do not read music.
- After learning and dance routine take notes so you can practice at home.
- Write down ALL of your blocking in your script. **DO NOT DEPEND ON YOUR STAGE MANAGER:** It is the actor's job to write down, if you need to you can double check for clarification with the stage manager after the rehearsal.

BEHAVIOR

- Focus most importantly! Be ready to work! This is fun, but it is hard work to make this a GREAT production!
- Talking/chatting is unacceptable while in rehearsal. Let everyone focus; do not pull attention from those who want to work.
- Pay attention to what is going on during rehearsal even if you are just waiting for your turn. You want to be ready at a moment notice so that you don't waste any working time.
- If you are excused from the rehearsal please leave the rehearsal area.
- Senior Company members should lead by example, help BUT do not tell them what to do that is the Directors job.

ATTITUDE

- You will not always get the part you want. So a GREAT attitude will make the most of it!
- You will learn with every show you do, no matter what part you play if you have the right attitude.
- Always have a positive and helpful attitude.
- If you have down time you can be a SELF MOTIVATOR: study lines, rehearse scenes, rehearse music, or ask if you can help with any sewing, etc.
- Being helpful during rehearsals means PAYING attention and not PULLING attention with chatter or conversations that can be had after rehearsal.
- No gum in the theatre
- Clean up all your personal items, do not leave in theatre as they may get lost or disposed of.