

# CASTING BREAKDOWN

## **Production:** *MIDSUMMER*

**Produced by:** CollabWERKS: a producing collective formed by <u>Kimzin Creative</u>, <u>THTR</u> <u>Productions</u>, and <u>Redwood Theatre Company</u>. CollabWERKS's mission is to create theatre of our wildest dreams that liberates and unites.

## **Playwright/Adaptor:**

Originally written by: William Shakespeare Adapted & Additionally writing by: Nikko Kimzin

Directed by: Nikko Kimzin

## **Production Dates/Times:**

<u>Rehearsals/Tech</u> (Healdsburg, CA): October 28th- November 13th, 2024 (4-10pm) <u>Performances</u> (Santa Rosa, CA): November 14-17 (5-11pm) <u>Days Off:</u> Sundays, November 3rd & 10th, 2024

**Compensation:** Non-Union, \$700/week, (*housing and transportation provided for out-of-state actors*)

## Synopsis:

"MIDSUMMER" is a 90 minute, 6 person, wild, immersive, theatrical, dance party. It's a fresh take on Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" - think slapstick COMEDY that captures the queerness, magic, chaos, and hilarity of love and mistaken identities.

## Note from the Director:

This production is a bullet-train comedy that celebrates queerness and revels in physical humor, life-or-death stakes, and over-the-top choices. We encourage actors to bring their full selves to the table and join us in liberating the audience through laughter and love, turning them into part of the cast for a joyful, immersive experience that ramps up into a fierce dance party.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Sunday, October 6, 2024 4pm PST

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## SEEKING:

CollabWERKS encourages performers of all ethnicities, gender identities, ages, and performers with disabilities, to audition. Gender identities mentioned in the character descriptions are to describe the characters; many roles may have flexibility with gender including throughout the show. Although not every character is listed as such, it is important to this producing team that people of the global majority (Black, Indigenous, People of Color), and Queer folks are represented across this cast.

#### **ROLES AVAILABLE:**

**[TITANIA/HELENA]-** presents 25-40s, Female-identifying. Black/ Indigenous/ Person of Color. One actor will be playing both the roles of Titania & Helena.

<u>TITANIA:</u> the queen of the fairies, majestic, powerful, unpredictable temperament, conniving AND charming. Note: in this production Titania is the one who lays the love potion on Oberon's eyes so that Oberon wakes up in-lust with the ass. She will have her way ya feel me.

<u>HELENA:</u> is the ultimate love-struck underdog, chasing after Demetrius like a caffeinated squirrel. With her dramatic flair and constant self-doubt, she's like a rom-com heroine who keeps missing the punchline but never loses her charm.

**[LYSANDER/OBERON/FLUTE]**- presents 25-40s, Male-identifying. Black/ Indigenous/ Person of Color. One actor will be playing both the roles of Lysander & Oberon.

LYSANDER: is a hopelessly romantic dreamer who's obsessed with Hermia. They have a heart as boundless as their optimism, think human golden retriever energy. Positive and willing to do anything to please Hermia.

<u>OBERON</u>: is the powerful, stubborn king of the fairies. Note: in this production Titania lays the potion on Oberon's eyes so that Oberon wakes up in-lust with the ass. Think bravado, machismo at its peak.

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#### Preparation & Video Submission Instructions:

Please prepare all Sides for the role you are interested in from this link: <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1VphJYia6tLiA8gKv4nHnSITSMkly5G9X?usp=sharing</u>



Once sides are prepared and filmed, please complete the Submission Form Here.

You will need the following to complete the submission form:

- Headshot & Resume
- Website or other Relevant Links (optional)
- Video Submission Material (direct file upload or link)

Deadline for submissions: Sunday, October 6th @ 4pm PST

## Callbacks:

If selected for a callback, you will receive an email by 10/07 @ 5pm PT to schedule (1) 30 minute, *in person if locally at* <u>Redwood Theatre Company</u> (440 Moore Ln, Healdsburg, CA 95448) *or if non-local, virtual* callback on: Friday 10/11 between 3-5pm.

Contact:For any questions, please contact info@kimzincreative.com