# Casting Call [PAID] - 'One Last Story' - NB Character



Audition deadline: October 27th, 11:59PM GMT-3

#### **ABOUT:**

One Last Story is a short visual novel about the death of a small indie author and the reactions of the people around him to the news. Explore the blog of the deceased, listen to what readers have to say, and find out what really happened.

The game will be free, with a paid DLC and artbook available for purchase. I'll be releasing the project on Early Access on my Patreon before public release. Aiming to release it for the **Dying Year VN Jam.** 

Content Warning: The story delves into death, grief, suicide, suicidal ideation, and self-harm.

The character for this casting call is **the protagonist's significant other**, **Lake**. They have a masculine voice and are in their early 20s.



> Lake is the blue-haired one on the left. The protagonist, their boyfriend, is on the right.

## TRANS/NB VOICE ACTORS ONLY.

## **Auditions**

Communication with the chosen VA will occur through e-mail or Discord, as preferred by the VA.

### Requirements:

- 18+ only.
- You must be trans/nonbinary. Lake is nonbinary, and representation is something
  essential to me as a queer dev. <u>Do not send in your audition if you don't meet this
  criteria.</u>
- Good audio quality with no noticeable room reverb or background noise.
- Good communication skills able to respond to messages in a timely manner and keep me updated on possible issues or delays.
- Ability to listen to feedback and utilize it.

#### **Audition Specifications:**

- All audio files must be in .MP3 or .WAV format.
- Do not slate your audition.
- Record 2-3 takes of each line in ABCABC format. Include all the takes in one file. Allow for at least 3 seconds of silence between each line.
- Do not edit your audition outside of basic cuts and leveling.
- Name your recordings as Lake\_YourName.
- Send all auditions to <u>meiriauditions@gmail.com</u>, subject line 'Lake -Audition (YourName)'. Link your socials and a demo reel if available.

E.g: Lake - Audition (KomiManpo)

Please format your audition correctly. Auditions that don't follow the guidelines above are not likely to be considered. Do not DM me on Discord or Twitter/Bluesky DMs about this audition.

**IMPORTANT:** Lake is a recurring character in my games, so it is possible that I'll be contacting the VA for more work in the future. I would like to keep the same actor for all future games they appear in. **Depending on how well the artbook and the DLC sell**, I would love to have the rest of Lake's lines voiced as well!

## **Deadlines**

October 17th, 2024 - October 27th, 2024 11:59 PM EST: Audition Period. Auditions sent after this deadline won't be considered, so please make sure to send in yours during this time.

**October 31st:** The chosen VA will be contacted. Unfortunately, I won't be able to respond to all unsuccessful applicants.

Early November-mid November: Recording period, including retakes.

# **Payment**

- \$2.0 per line, 10 total lines.
- Payment via Paypal or Ko-fi. I will cover all transaction fees.

## The Character

Lake - Pronouns: He/they.



> art by emery aislinn

**Voice:** Medium pitched, masculine. Young adult AMAB. He speaks to his boyfriend firmly, but softly - wanting to comfort him but also fearing he'll lash out.

Bio: 23 years old, white, Canadian. Nonbinary and demisexual.

Lake cares and worries deeply about the game's protagonist, their boyfriend, who has a history of suicidal ideation and self-harm. In the game, they play the role of the S.O who tries to reach out and offer help.

Lake struggles with OCD and his mental health - it's hard for him to be vulnerable, so he makes sarcastic quips instead. Having to take care of both himself and the boyfriend, who sometimes cannot get out of bed, is leaving him upset and frustrated. He feels like he's on top of an unstable tower, and any wrong move will make it crumble down.

Since childhood, he has adored pretty things, from dolls to dresses. Enjoys wearing high heels and doing his makeup. Loves jellyfish.

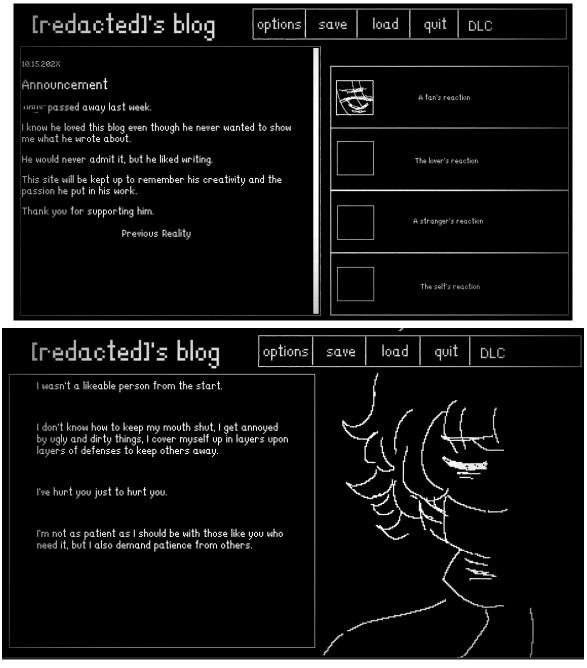
They previously appeared in a few of my games (<u>link 1</u>, <u>link 2</u>) and are the protagonist of a novel I'm writing, '<u>Mizumi and Innocence.</u>'



## **Audition Lines**

Lines	Notes
"Don't shut me out, please. Please, don't do this. Not again, last time you I I don't want to see you like that again."	Worried, begging. Upset that his boyfriend is clamming down again. Shaky voice.
"I constantly feel like I'm on top of an unstable jenga tower. And if I breathe wrong, it'll all collapse around me."	Explaining what it's like to live with their condition - lower voice. Sighing, resigned. He's accepted it, but he's still sad.
"Promise? Can you really promise me you're okay right now, and I can go to work knowing you're going to be fine?"	Firm but soft - wants an answer, but also doesn't want to scare off the boyfriend.
"How fucking dare you?! He's not a dead weight I carry around. He doesn't pull me down. He makes me <b>better.</b> "	Very angry that someone implied the boyfriend is a burden to them. Trying to convince themself as well as the listener.

#### **GAME SCREENSHOTS:**



> Lake's appearance in the game.

## Contact



If you have any questions regarding this audition, contact me through email meiriauditions@gmail.com.