

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE: THE MUSICAL

Production Team

- **Director:** Anthony Pierzynowski
- **Vocal Director:** Kelly Rizzo-McLain
- **Choreographer:** Janeen Bodary
- **Producer:** Autumn McGuffie

Age Requirement

- Open to performers age 6+ (There will be a small group of children cast in this show however a majority of the cast will be adults)

Auditions

- **General Information**
 - **Dates:** September 14th & 15th, 2026
 - **Time:** 6:30PM-10PM
 - **Check-In** at 6:15pm
 - **Location:** 50400 Cherry Hill Rd, Canton Township, MI 48187
Enter through the back door off presidential st and you will find the studio where auditions will be held.
- **Sign-Up** via the online audition form: <https://forms.gle/SRUgJzwvN3GMjTiGA>
- **Audition Materials:** character breakdowns, vocal cuts, & dance videos are available in the Google Drive folder ( **SHARED Audition Materials - It's A Wonderful Life**)
- **Audition Guidelines**
Everyone will be asked to read at least one scene, learn one dance cut, and prepare one vocal cut of their choosing that is 32 bars.

Scenes - Please prepare to read the scene for your most preferred role. We may ask you to read multiple scenes (especially if you are auditioning for George Bailey) but this is not guaranteed.

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1V0qMX4GADiUDPSCfHIs2FxHk13F9mB6T?usp=drive_link

Dance - You may learn one of the dances ahead of time by watching the videos included in the shared audition materials folder. Both dances will also be taught on each day of auditions. The Movement combo is for everyone. The Dance Audition is for those who want to be featured in the more challenging choreography for the show. We would like everyone auditioning to do one.

Movement Audition Combination: <https://youtu.be/1sstiaeMIZc>

Dance Audition Combination: <https://youtu.be/SKuFw4Z9RB4>

Vocals - Please prepare 32 bars of a musical theater song of your choosing. If you would like to sing a song from the show you can listen to the album on spotify here Disc 1: <https://open.spotify.com/album/0dpCX2wo4eiQ7v8HyXMvzi?si=VhBjnO1jSqqPNoCAmZnjAA> Disc 2: https://open.spotify.com/album/3Q5B9HeJ4BKmZAncwSgFBe?si=L4PSh7iASOSyDL75MGw_dA You may bring in sheet music for our music director to play with you or you can bring your phone with a karaoke track to sing along with.

- **Video Auditions** for those unable to attend in-person will be accepted via email to ajpierzy@gmail.com until September 15th at 7PM. You must still complete the audition form. Record yourself singing a vocal cut, reading one of the scenes, and performing a dance cut. Please put the video on youtube as an unlisted video and then send us the link so that we don't have to download any large files.

Any questions regarding auditions can be directed to ajpierzy@gmail.com

Casting & Communication

- **Cast List** will be posted on the Spotlight Players Facebook page (linked [HERE](#)) along with our website [Spotlight Players](#)
- If you would like to decline your role, please send an email to ajpierzy@gmail.com.
- Once cast, you'll be invited to join our private Facebook group for updates, schedules, and communication throughout the production. Facebook will be our primary communication platform, so we recommend downloading the app.

Performances

- **Dates:** December 3-6, 2026
 - Thursday, December 3rd @ 7:30PM
 - Friday, December 4th @ 7:30PM
 - Saturday, December 5th @ 7:30PM
 - Sunday, December 6th @ 3PM
- **Location:** Cherry Hill Village Theatre Mainstage

Membership & Production Fees

- **Spotlight Players Membership:** \$50 for the 2026-2027 season
- **Volunteer Requirements:**
 - Each cast member is expected to contribute 10 hours of service to the production. This may include set building, backstage support, front-of-house duties, or costume/prop assistance.
 - Complete 10 hours of service
 - Attend Load-In
 - Attend Strike & stay until the end

Rehearsals

- **Days:** Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays
- **Times:** 6:30PM - 10:00PM
- **Location:** Biltmore Studio, Classroom, & Schoolhouse (all located in/near the Cherry Hill Village Theater)
- **Read Through:** DATE: September 17th TIME: 6:30pm
 - Collection of Membership Dues & Participation Fees (via cash, check, venmo)
 - Distribution of Scripts
 - Review of Code of Conduct & Expectations
 - Read Through the Show Together

Rehearsals begin shortly after casting. Please review the schedule in the Google Drive and list any known conflicts on your audition form. Performers with **5 or more conflicts** may not be cast.

We strive to only call cast members when needed to respect your time. Please come prepared with:

- Script
- Pencil
- Water bottle
- Appropriate footwear for dance (no Crocs or Uggs)
- No snacks allowed during rehearsal

Set builds will take place on Saturdays in the Village Theater scene shop.

Code of Conduct

Spotlight Players is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment for all. We comply with the **Civil Rights Act of 1963**, including **Title VII** regarding harassment and discrimination.