

Job Title: Actor for Educational Touring Production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

Location: Various Schools or other venues (Touring)

Employment Type: Contract

Tour Dates: Rehearsals February 10th - 28th, Tour March 3rd - May 2nd

Compensation: \$16.50 per hour

Application Deadline: Rolling Deadline until position is filled - Priority given to applications received by January 10, 2024.

About the Production:

Join our dynamic team for a touring production aimed at educating and entertaining students in schools and other venues. This production is designed to engage audiences with captivating performances while delivering important messages.

Key Responsibilities:

- **Performing:** Play multiple roles in a professional theatrical production designed for an educational tour.
- **Touring:** Travel to various schools and other venues to perform scheduled shows.
- **Rehearsals:** Attend rehearsals as scheduled, collaborating with the director and fellow actors to refine performances.
- **Educational Engagement:** Participate in post-performance discussions, Q&A sessions, or workshops with students to deepen their understanding of the themes presented.
- **Teamwork:** Assist in setting up and breaking down sets and props as necessary before and after performances.
- **Adaptability:** Perform in varied spaces, from traditional school stages to classrooms or gymnasiums, adjusting performances accordingly.
- **Punctuality & Professionalism:** Arrive on time for all rehearsals and performances, maintaining a professional attitude throughout the tour.

Qualifications:

- **Acting Experience:** Previous acting experience (professional or community theatre); experience with children's theatre or educational performances is a plus.
- **Strong Stage Presence:** Ability to engage and entertain young audiences, making educational content enjoyable and accessible.
- **Versatility:** Comfortable playing multiple roles, often with quick costume or character changes.

- **Communication Skills:** Excellent verbal communication skills for interacting with students and school staff.
- **Flexibility & Adaptability:** Willing to work in various locations and under changing conditions
- **Availability:** Must be available for all rehearsal and tour dates, including potential early mornings and travel.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience working with children or in educational settings.
- Driver's license

How to Apply:

Please submit your resume, headshot, and a brief cover letter outlining your experience and interest in the role. You will also need to submit a video audition.

Auditions should consist of one of the following options and total no more than 3 minutes:

- 2 contrasting monologues, one of which should be from Shakespeare's canon.
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- One Shakespeare monologue and a snippet of a song (can also include the playing of an instrument along with this).

Please upload to Vimeo or YouTube as a single video.

Please send all application materials with the subject line "Educational Tour Application - Your Name" to Rebecca Clark at education@santacruzshakespeare.org.

Background Check and Fingerprinting:

This employment is contingent upon successful completion of a background check, including fingerprinting.

About Us:

Founded in 2014 as a newly independent theatre company, SCS continues a 40-year tradition of staging bold productions of the plays of Shakespeare and other great playwrights. Throughout our history, hundreds of thousands of people, young and old, have been enthralled, engaged, and energized by what we bring to the community.

Inspired by Shakespeare, we create and strengthen our community by bringing audiences and theatre artists together to celebrate stories about our collective humanity. Matching a fearless aesthetic with transparent financial responsibility, SCS is passionate about theatre that is inclusive, inquisitive, and that engages with the contemporary moment.