

## NON-EQUITY AUDITION NOTICE

Williams Street Repertory is holding auditions for their upcoming Fall 2024 production of AVENUE Q. Williams Street Rep is committed to increasing diversity & inclusion in the American Theater. We welcome all types, ages, ethnicities, genders & actors with disabilities to audition.

### AVENUE Q

Music & Lyrics by Jeff Marx & Robert Lopez

Book by Jeff Whitty

Directed by Joe Lehman

Music Direction by James Mablin

Rehearsals: August 12th - September 12th, 2024

Performances: September 13th - October 20th, 2024

Non-Equity Audition Day: Wednesday, June 12th from 10:30am - 2:30pm at the WSR Rehearsal Studio (140 W. Terra Cotta Ave., Crystal Lake, IL 60014).

Invited callbacks will be held on Friday, June 14th and Saturday, June 15th in Crystal Lake.

**SEEKING:** Non-Equity singers/actors for all roles in AVENUE Q (see breakdown). All roles will be understudied. Local Chicago/Crystal Lake actors are encouraged to audition. Experience in puppetry is a plus, but not required.

**PREPARE:** Please prepare a 32 bar selection that you have fun performing and shows off your personality, physicality and playfulness as well as vocal strengths. We may ask for a brief comedic monologue or something else from your book as well. Since we will provide material from *Avenue Q* at callbacks, we would prefer to not hear material from *Avenue Q* at this initial audition.

If you have any questions, please email [casting@wsrep.org](mailto:casting@wsrep.org).

### CHARACTER BREAKDOWN:

**Puppet Characters:** These characters are puppets operated by puppeteers. A variety of types of puppets are used and puppeteers may play multiple characters at different times.

Princeton: A fresh-faced kid just out of college, Vocal Range B flat 2 to G4

Kate Monster: A kindergarten teaching assistant, a bit older than Princeton, Vocal Range F#3 to F5

Nicky: A bit of a slacker who lives with Rod, Vocal range B2 - B4

Rod: A Republican investment banker with a secret, Vocal Range A2 to G4

Trekkie Monster: A reclusive creature obsessed by the internet, Vocal Range Bflat2 - E flat 4

Lucy: A vixenish vamp with a dangerous edge, Vocal Range F3 to F5

The Bad Idea Bears: Two snuggly, cute teddy-bear types, Vocal Range Bflat 3 to G4

Mrs. T.: Ancient, Kate's Boss, speaking role

**Human Characters:**

Brian: Male-identifying, A laid-back guy married to Christmas Eve, Vocal Range B2 to F#4

Christmas Eve: Female-identifying, A therapist who moved here from Japan, Vocal Range B3 to F#5

Gary Coleman: Male or female-identifying, or gender fluid. Yes, that Gary Coleman. He lives on the Avenue, too. He's the superintendent. D3 to Bflat 5

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