

'Cosi'

AUDITION 7:30pm
Wednesday 28th September
2022
On stage at
the Playhouse Theatre

6 Performances

December 2, 3, 4 (Matinee), 9 and 10

SHOW SYNOPSIS

Cosi is set in a mental institution in Melbourne, 1971. The play tells the story of several of the patients who take on the task of putting on a play. The administration staff expect them to put on a simple straight play, but instead they secretly rehearse and eventually put on an adaptation of the Mozart opera Cosi fan tutte (meaning: everyone does this). The only glitch being none of them can sing opera and many have never performed on stage before. It is a dark comedy where the drama of the play is broken by humorous events. All the while anti-Vietnam protests rage on the streets of Melbourne.

"A terrific play about sanity and theatre."

AUDITION & REHEARSALS

Before auditioning, please consider the necessary level of commitment required. If you are aware of the need to be absent during the rehearsal period, notification should be made to the Director (Phil Fresta) prior to auditioning. Contact after hours- Barb (assistant to the director) 0427516391 or Phil 0414563960.

All successful auditionees will be required to become a financial member of the B.P.I. prior to the first rehearsal.

ROLES

LEWIS

- 20's? - first year out of Uni. He is hired by the administration to direct the patients

NICK

- 20's- best friend of Lewis. He assists Lewis to direct the play

LUCY

- 20'S- She is Lewis's girlfriend and is having a secret affair with Nick

JUSTIN

- male/female 30+? -Social worker who thought of putting on the play

The following characters are patients

ROY

- male 50's+? – a manic depressive. With no real talent he wants to perform Mozart's opera

CHERRY

- female 20's+? – an extravert with violent tendencies. She and Lewis exchange a passionate kiss

RUTH

- female 30's+? - has OCD and struggles to contain it

DOUG

- male age open? – a pyromaniac with questionable sexual tendencies

JULIE

- female 20's+? - recovering drug addict who falls for Lewis and they exchange a tender kiss

HENRY

- male 30's+? - a quiet introvert who eventually comes out of his shell

ZAC

- male/female age open? – is under heavy sedation. Plays very basic piano and plays a few bars of music on the piano accordion. Hopefully, you can supply your own piano accordion and be willing to play it on stage.

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