



Auditions: Beverly Theatre Guild, "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee"

The Beverly Theatre Guild, a member of the League of Chicago Theatres, is pleased to announce open auditions for the first production of its 2010-2011 Season, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, Music and Lyrics by William Finn and Book by Rachel Sheinkin. The production will be directed by Chuck Gessert (recent director of the Jeff-Recommended "The Christmas Schooner" and "I Do, I Do"), along with music director Austin Cook (composer and performer for "It's a Wonderful Life, Live At . . ." for American Blues Theater).

Audition Dates and Times: *Open Auditions – No Appointment is Necessary*

Sunday, August 8, 2010 – 6:00 PM

Monday, August 9, 2010 – 7:00 PM

CALL BACKS (if needed): Tuesday, August 10, 2010 – 7:00 PM

Place: Salem United Church of Christ, 9717 South Kostner Avenue, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453

Auditions will consist of:

Readings from the script and/or, if desired, prepared monologue (3 minutes or less). Vocal auditions 32 measures of a song of auditioner's choosing: provide sheet music to the accompanist in the key desired. Bring headshot and resume, if available

Six young people in the throes of puberty, overseen by grown-ups who barely managed to escape childhood themselves, learn that winning isn't everything and that losing doesn't necessarily make you a loser. **THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE** is a hilarious tale of overachievers' angst chronicling the experience of six adolescent outsiders vying for the spelling championship of a lifetime. The adolescents are played by adults.

Roles:

Chip Tolentino: C3 - B4 (Tenor)

Douglas Panch: (Adult character) (no solo singing)

Leaf Coneybear : A2 - G4 (Baritenor)

Logainne Schwartzandgrubenierre (Schwartzzy): C4 - D5 (Soprano)

Marcy Park: B3 - E5 (Soprano/Mezzo-soprano)

Mitch Mahoney: E3 - A4 (B4) (Tenor) (Adult character)

Olive Ostrovsky: B3 - F#5 (Soprano)

Rona Lisa Peretti : C#4 - Ab5 (Soprano) (Adult character)

William Barfee: Eb3 - Bb4 (Tenor)

More detailed information about auditions available on our web site: www.beverlytheatreguild.org

Or call [773/ 284-8497](tel:773-284-8497) or (e-mail) beverlytheatreguild@juno.com

ALL PERFORMANCES: The Baer Theater at Morgan Park Academy Arts Center

2153 West 111th Street , Chicago, Illinois 60643

PERFORMANCE DATES: Friday, Oct. 22, 2010 at 8:00PM

Saturday, Oct. 23, 2010 at 2:00 PM and 8:00PM

Sunday, Oct. 24, 2010 at 2:00 PM

** Possible additional performance Thursday, October 21 at 8:00PM*

The Beverly Theatre Guild is a not-for-profit organization