Las Positas College For Immediate Release

Media Contacts: Titian Lish Las Positas College Theater Arts tlish@laspositascollege.edu

Las Positas College Theater Arts Announces Auditions for Disney's Newsies: The Musical

(Livermore, CA) - Las Positas College Theater Arts is excited to announce auditions for Disney's Newsies: The Musical to be performed in the outdoor amphitheater in July 2020. Help LPC's Theater Arts start the launch of the 2020-2021 season with this high energy, wildly popular, Tony Award winning musical theater favorite!

Set in New York City at the turn of the century, "Newsies" is inspired by the real-life "Newsboy Strike of 1899," when newsboys led a band of orphan and runaway newsies on a two-week-long action against Pulitzer, Hearst and other powerful newspaper publishers in a fight for fair wages.

Where

Las Positas College Mertes Center for the Arts, 3000 Campus Hill Drive, Livermore, CA 9455, Green Room 4129

When

<u>Dance call</u> - Friday, February 21 from 7-8:30 p.m. or 8:30-10:00 p.m. Sign up for a time slot <u>here</u>.

<u>General auditions</u> - Saturday, February 22 from 10-3 p.m. To audition, prepare 16-32 measures of music in your key, not from the show. Accompaniment will be provided. You may also share a 1-minute monologue, if memorized.

Sign up for a time slot <u>here</u>.

Callbacks will be by invitation only on Sunday, February 23, 1-4 p.m.

Interested performers who are unable to make it to general auditions or dance call can submit a headshot, resume and taped audition no later than Tuesday, February 18. Taped auditions must include no more than 30 seconds of a dance reel and 16-32 measures of a song - monologue is also encouraged. Links to a digital file sharing service such as DropBox or Google Drive can be sent to Titian Lish at tlish@laspositascollege.edu. Please do not send direct files for download.

Aspiring Newsies who want to join the picket line, including those interested in Katherine and Jack, should attend the dance call on Friday, February 21. Bring jazz shoes and tap shoes if applicable, as well as appropriate clothing to move in as those auditioning will be required to leap and turn for this dance heavy show. Members cast as Newsies will be given the opportunity to take six boot camp classes in preparation for rehearsals, provided by the Theater Arts department at LPC at no cost to cast members.

Auditions are open to anyone over the age of 15. LPC Theater Arts strongly believes that diversity of all kinds contributes to a broader theatrical perspective and warmly encourages applicants from the many diverse communities to audition.

Selected cast members will follow the schedule below:

Rehearsals:

June 1- July 16, Monday-Thursday, 7-10 p.m.

Performances:

July 17-25, Friday and Saturday's at 8 p.m., with a possible show to be added on Thursday, July 23

Creative Staff

Director/Producer: Titian Lish

Choreographer: Megan McGrath Music Director: Mark Aubel Vocal Director: Liesl McFadden

Cast members will be required to sign up for THEA 57A/B/C/D, Rehearsal - 3 units. Some scholarships are available for demonstrated need.

For more information, please visit: https://www.mtishows.com/newsies-0



About Las Positas College

Las Positas College currently enrolls 9,300 students and offers curriculum for students seeking transfer to a four-year college or university, career preparation, or basic skills education. The College provides university transfer classes, retraining classes for those in need of employment or career advancement, a first-time educational opportunity for many adults, enrichment classes for those seeking a broader perspective, and career and technical training for those entering the technical and paraprofessional workforce.