Welcome to Audition Information for SMASH Productions Rodgers & Hammerstein's CINDERELLA [Enchanted Version]

Rodgers and Hammerstein's CINDERELLA premiered as a live television special starring Julie Andrews. The March 31, 1957 broadcast was viewed by more people than any other program in the history of television. In 1965, a new telecast starring Lesley Ann Warren was equally successful in transporting a new generation to the miraculous kingdom of Dreams Come True.

In 1997, the musical returned to television in a star-studded presentation featuring Brandy as Cinderella and Whitney Houston as her Fairy Godmother. CINDERELLA [Enchanted Version] is inspired and adapted by that production.

The show will take place April 10, 2026 – April 12, 2026 at the Savannah Center. There will be up to 5 performances over a three-day period which would include Matinee performances in addition to Evening performances. You MUST be available for all performances and April 9, 2026, which is considered tech/dress rehearsal. All roles are open and the adult cast will be comprised of residents of The Villages. The show is performed with a live band.

Rehearsals will begin in November and continue through to showtime. SMASH rehearses on the following days and times:

- Monday afternoons from 12:30pm to 4:50pm,
- Tuesday evening from 6 pm to 9 pm,
- Thursday evening from 5 pm to 8 pm and
- Saturday mornings from 9 am to 12 pm or 10 am 1 pm.

Auditions are planned for an open call for all parts on:

Monday, June 2, Manatee Rec Center 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm [initial try-outs] Tuesday, June 3, Moyer Rec Center 6 pm to 9 pm [initial try-outs and call backs] Thursday, June 5, Big Cypress Rec Center 5 pm to 8 pm [initial try-outs and call backs] Saturday, June 7, Big Cypress Rec Center 10 am to 1 pm [initial try-outs and call backs]

Auditions will consist of cold readings from the show. Vocal selections from the show will be taught to auditioners. Dance/movement will be taught to auditioners.

| Look forward to seeing you there! | Bob Stehman, Director |
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| | Mary Ann Rockenbach, Musical Director |
| | Barb Byers, Choreographer |
| | Susan Feinberg, Producer |

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Cinderella

Strong vocalist, strong movement/dance skills.

Fairy Godmother

Strong vocalist, sense of humor, supportive - sings additional finale song "There's Music In You"

Stepmother

Grandiose, strong character actress, minimal vocals but sings, scheming, Character audiences love to hate.

Grace

Cinderella's awkward stepsister, strong character singer, scratches and itches herself when nervous, especially with the prince - comedic role

Joy

Cinderella's sullen stepsister, strong character singer, unique laugh and snorts at the end of her laughter especially with the prince - comedic role

Christopher

A Charming Prince - He eventually marries Cinderella. Strong vocals, can move for a waltz.

Lionel

The prince's steward - strong character actor and singer, comedic actor, sings opening number.

Queen Constantina

Prince's mother - Strong royal presence, schemes/tricks her son into attending a ball to find a wife for the prince - sings and waltzes.

King Maximillian

Comedic Father to the Prince - strongly influenced by the Queen's wishes - sings and waltzes.

The following characters may be performed through puppets and Townspeople

- Charles a cat who becomes a coachman
- **A Dove** who will become a footman
- 4 White Mice who will become horses

Ensemble (10 – 15)

Villagers, Merchants, Maidens, and Palace Guests of all ages, adults & school age students who can sing and move [especially for waltz at the Ball]