

AUDITIONS/INTERVIEWS

UIL One Act Play 2023

Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead

by Tom Stoppard

Tuesday, November 29

Production Class 1:30pm - 3:00pm

General Auditions for Actors

Sides #1, #2, #3, and #4

Thursday, December 1

Production Class 1:30pm - 3:00pm

Callbacks for Actors

Sides #5 and #6

+Company Interviews (as needed)

Casting for:

ROSENCRANTZ: A little slow, not the brightest bulb in the chandelier. More sensitive and innocent than Guildenstern. Philosophical in his own simple way. Comic timing a must.

GUILDENSTERN: The alpha of the pair. Dominates Rosencrantz, tries to control the situation. High-strung, easily rattled. Intellectual (or thinks he is, anyway). Comic timing a must.

THE PLAYER: Ragged and a bit sleazy. A carnival barker crossed with a pimp and a dash of *Commedia dell'arte*. Excellent physical actor/comedian; stage combat ability.

THE PLAYERS (4): a diverse troupe of ragtag actors, androgynous, lots of physical action/stage combat, very theatrical performers, ability to play an instrument a plus (*esp. recorder, drum, string instrument*).

ALFRED: One of The Players. Boyish, early-teens. Plays all the female roles. Not necessarily happy about it.

HAMLET: Shakespeare's moody/melancholy hero. Ability to execute stage combat choreography.

OPHELIA: Hamlet's emotionally abused love interest. She doesn't say much, but must be able to act extreme emotions and convey story/emotion through physical action.

CLAUDIUS: Hamlet's Uncle/Father. The King. A commanding, mature presence.

GERTRUDE: Hamlet's mother. The Queen. Regal and glamorous.

POLONIUS/LAERTES: Ophelia's father and Claudius' chief advisor. A foolish, doddering old man. Also plays LAERTES, stars in the big fight scene with Hamlet.

HORATIO/ATTENDANT: Hamlet's best friend. Also plays other characters in "Hamlet"

AMBASSADOR/ATTENDANT: Delivers the play's very last lines. Also plays other characters in "Hamlet"

Crew:

Stage Manager

Lights/Backstage Light Op

Sound Design/Board Op

Costumes/Props

Assistant Stage Manager/Light Board Op

4 Alternates

Set/Site Loading Crew