



Please join us for our final production of Season 2022!

Rehearsals begin November 1 and performances are December 9 – 11.

Dear Little Red Hen Actors, Techies, and Creative Peeps,

We are getting ready to go into production for our LAST show of Season 2022. “A Little Red Hen Christmas” is envisioned as a Christmas extravaganza and variety show, which will feature live musicians, fun and short Christmas themed scenes, and special guest appearances! This show was originally designed for us to put together in 2020 as a film and streamed experience – but we are now planning to do the show live!

We are doing something a little new with this production. **First – there are NO AUDITIONS!** If you want to participate, just sign up and we’ll find a place for you. The more the merrier the Christmas! **Secondly – we are looking to YOU to also be DIRECTORS!** We are asking our artistically minded collective to help put this show together by not only performing in it, but by helping direct some of the scenes. How will this work? Directors will work closely with Adam (who will serve as stage management) to ensure an even flow for the event. Don’t worry – you’ll have resources to help you.

Either as a performer or actor, the rehearsal process for this show will be a little lighter than most of our productions. **Because not everyone will be in every scene, we expect that at the most you will have rehearsal 1 – 2 times a week for the first part of the process.** After Thanksgiving, you will most likely be asked to be here more often as we put all the pieces together. Also – some of you may be asked to go to Omaha to rehearse with our LIVE STRING QUARTET that will be joining us for the show. This will happen twice!

Check out the schedule and scene breakdown that is in this packet and then sign-up using the Google Form Link. Let us know what scenes you think you want to act in – AND which scenes you might want to direct. We’ll get a full schedule and final casting put together by mid-October.

Let’s make Christmas Merry together!

(NOTE: If you were a part of our 2020 production, let us know if you are still interested in the same roles!)



A LITTLE RED HEN CHRISTMAS

Show and Scene Breakdown for Casting and Actors

To Read these scenes and treatments, check out the link in the last page of the packet.

Scene #1: Mr. & Mrs. Claus get ready for Christmas Eve

Features 2 actors, and one song

A short comedic scene between Mr. and Mrs. Claus, in which she has prepared his lucky “shorts” for his Christmas Eve ride. As loving couples do at Christmas time, they break into song – “The Most Wonderful Time of the Year”.

Scene #2 Letters to Santa

Features 2 actors, small group of singers

Two young children (John and Julie) read their letters to Santa. This is followed by a group performance with these two children, plus others, of “Santa Claus is Coming to Town”

Scene #3 The Snowman and Reindeer Trade Jokes

Features 2 actors

Two actors, possibly a snowman and reindeer, trade terrible Christmas jokes back and forth with each other. This is used to introduce a couple of numbers.

Scene #4 All I Want for Christmas is You

Features A Small Group of Elves

A group number of Elves performing song and dance to Mariah Carey’s “All I Want for Christmas is You”

Scene #5 The Elf Who Ruined Christmas

Features 5 Elves and Mrs. Claus, performance of “We Need a Little Christmas”

A short comedic scene where the Elves almost ruin Christmas as they pack Santa’s Sleigh. This scene ends with the Elves singing “We Need a Little Christmas”.

Scene #6 The Snowman and Reindeer Trade Jokes, again.

Same actors as scene #2, just different jokes!

Scene #7 The Grinch Who Stole Christmas

Features: (Entire Company) The Grinch, A Number of Who’s, maybe a dog, and singing “Trim Up the Tree” and “Welcome Christmas”

A staged “retelling” of the Dr. Seuss book with song. Most likely, the entire company will be included in these scenes/songs.

Scene #8 The Gift of the Magi

Features: 3 – 4 Actors (flexible) Narrator, Store Lady, Della, Jim

This is a narrated story, with portions of the script being spoken/acted by all characters, and some being pantomimed.

Scene #9 Twas the Night Before Christmas Skit

Features 5 actors (Narrator, Mouse, Pa, Ma, Santa Claus)

An “updated” version of Twas The Night, complete with beer, rifles, and a grumpy Santa.

Scene #10 O Holy Night Nativity Scene

Features: (Entire Company)

For the finale the company will create a “live” nativity scene on stage as “O Holy Night” is sung, interwoven with text from the Christmas Story.



REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE CALENDAR

Rehearsals: November 1 – December 8

Performances: December 9 @ 7 PM

December 10 @ 7 PM

December 11 @ 2 PM

WEEK 1: Staging & Read Throughs

11/1	Tuesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #1	Read & Sing Through Script/Songs
11/2	Wednesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #2	Select Scenes TBD
11/3	Thursday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #3	Select Scenes TBD
11/4	Friday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #4	Select Scenes TBD
11/5	Saturday	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Rehearsal #5	CHOREOGRAPHY CAMP!

WEEK 2: Staging

+Costume Fittings +Set Pieces

11/7	Monday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #6	Select Scenes TBD
11/8	Tuesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #7	Select Scenes TBD
11/9	Wednesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #8	Select Scenes TBD
11/10	Thursday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #9	Select Scenes TBD

**11/12 – 11/13 TBD Rehearse with Quartet in OMAHA*

WEEK 3: Staging

11/14	Monday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #10	Select Scenes TBD
11/15	Tuesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #11	Select Scenes TBD
11/16	Wednesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #12	Select Scenes TBD
11/17	Thursday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #13	Select Scenes TBD

WEEK 4: Staging

+Off Book

11/21	Monday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #14	Select Scenes TBD
11/22	Tuesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #15	Select Scenes TBD
11/23	Wednesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #16	Select Scenes TBD

WEEK 5: Rehearse

+Sound/Lights/Projections

11/28	Monday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #17	Stumble Through Show
11/29	Tuesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #18	Stumble Through Show
11/30	Wednesday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #19	Stumble Through Show
12/1	Thursday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #20	Stumble Through Show
12/2	Friday	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Rehearsal #21	Stumble Through Show

**12/3 – 12/4 TBD Rehearse with Quartet in OMAHA*

WEEK 6: Performances (Other groups/musicians added this week)

12/5	Monday	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Rehearsal #22	Dress Rehearsal #1
12/6	Tuesday	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Rehearsal #23	Dress Rehearsal #2
12/7	Wednesday	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Rehearsal #24	Dress Rehearsal #3
12/8	Thursday	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Rehearsal #25	Dress Rehearsal #4
12/9	Friday	6PM Call/7 PM Show		Performance #1 CAST PARTY TBD
12/10	Saturday	6PM Call/7 PM Show		Performance #2
12/11	Sunday	1PM Call/2 PM Show		Performance #3



LINKS TO:

- SCRIPTS TO REVIEW
- AUDITION SIGN UPS!

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE SCENES/TREATMENTS BEING USED FOR THE SHOW!](#)

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP TO BE INVOLVED!](#)

Have an idea for something special to add to the show? Reach out to Adam with your idea!

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