

YARDLEY PLAYERS THEATRE COMPANY

is proud to announce auditions for "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer."

SHOW DATES: July 26, 27, 28, and August 2, 3, 4, 2019

AUDITION DATES: Saturday, April 13 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Sunday, April 14 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Callbacks will be: Monday, April 15 if needed.

PLACE OF AUDITIONS, REHEARSALS, AND PERFORMANCES:

Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, N.J. We will rehearse, beginning Monday, April 22. Rehearsals will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7-10:00 (ends earlier during the school year) and Sundays (in April and May) 1:00-4:00 and Saturdays (June and July) from 1:00-6:00.

ALL AUDITIONS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Please contact the production staff at director kristy davis@gmail.com to schedule an appointment. In your email, please indicate your name, age, role desired, and preferred audition day.

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: Please prepare a song from the show or in the style of the show. You may also be asked to read from the script if necessary. Please bring the audition form (which will be emailed to you) along with a recent picture and resume to your scheduled time.

LIST OF CHARACTERS:

Boys:

Tom Sawyer (Lead: Age 12 to 14) – Our story's title character. A boy full of mischief and hope, suffering greatly from the pains of growing up. He is very likable, intelligent, intuitive, and carefree.

Huckleberry Finn (Lead: Age 11 to 12) – Tom’s best friend. He is stubborn, loyal, proud, and good-natured. Lives a life of free will and enjoys it that way.

Ben Rogers (Supporting: Age 12 to 15) - The ringleader of Tom’s classmates. He is not as mischievous as Tom, but still a typical boy on the verge of manhood. Slightly jealous of Tom in an idolizing manner.

Sid Sawyer (Supporting: Age 9 to 10) – Tom’s half-brother and an insufferable goody-goody who dislikes Tom and does everything he can to get him into trouble.

Featured Boys (Ages 9 to 15) Joe Harper, Lyle Peters, George Bellamy, Alfred Temple, Jim Hollis.

Girls:

Becky Thatcher (Supporting: Age 12 to 13) – An utterly beautiful girl. Bright, smart, youthful, and funny. She is the new girl in town and falls for Tom instantly.
Please note the role of Becky has been precast.

Amy Lawrence (Featured: Age 11 to 13) – Classmate of Tom’s. Giddy school girl who tries to seem like a goody-goody but enjoys a little innocent mischief.

Lucy Harper (Featured: Age 11 to 13) - Amy’s friend and classmate.

Featured Girls (Ages 9 to 14) Sabina Temple, Susie Rogers, and Lucinda Rogers.

Adults:

Aunt Polly (Female Lead: Age 35 to 50) – Tom’s Aunt. She tries to discipline and keep him in line but is at her wit’s end. Ever so patient, she loves both Tom and Sid and does her best to single-handedly take care of them both.

Judge Josiah Thatcher (Male Lead: Age 35 to 55) – Becky’s father. A widower trying to raise a girl as best he can. He is handsome and craggy.

Injun Joe (Male Supporting: Age 40 to 50) – A proud, bitter, mean, downtrodden man whose sharp face and hollow cheeks make him look like death himself. Half Indian and half white, he has been treated with contempt his whole life. He now has a heart as black as wood smoke.

Reverend Sprague (Male Supporting: Age 40 to 70) – Eagle-eyed and severe. He is the village Reverend. Stately and poised preaching with a fire and brimstone mindset, full of passion and verve.

Muff Potter (Male Supporting: Age 40 to 70) – A vagrant and derelict drunk. Not a bad man, he just doesn't have the backbone to say no when others lead him astray.

Widow Douglas (Female Supporting: Age 50 to 70) – A pretty, older woman of some wealth. Kind-hearted and giving, she offers Huck a home with a bed and cooked meals.

Lemuel Dobbins (Male Supporting: Age 25 to 50) – The schoolmaster and village demagogue. Prides himself on being strict but has a soft, poetic side as well.

Lanyard Bellamy (Male Supporting: Age 25 to 55) – Mayor and Prosecutor

Doc Robinson (Male Featured: Age 40 to 60) – A pompous, unpleasant man with a chip on his shoulder. He is bossy, thieving, and impatient. An all-around “bad guy.”

Gideon Temple (Male Featured: Age 25 to 55) – Smart & caring Defense Attorney.

Other Featured Adults: Sheriff, Pap, Hartley Wood, Sereny Harper, Jessica Rogers, Naomi Hollis and Sally Bellamy.

In addition to the above named characters, an ensemble of men, women and children (ages 7 & up) are needed to be townspeople.