

# LIGHTBOX PRODUCTIONS



## AUDITION INFORMATION

### PRODUCTION TEAM:

Producer: Joshua Meadows

Director: Anthony Miscamble

Assistant Director: Madeline Connolly

Choreographer: Rebekah Abblitt

Music Supervisor: Peter Verhagen

Vocal Director: Selena Nicastrì

Band Director: Taylor Brown

### AUDITION INFORMATION:

Location: EV's Youth Centre, 212 Mt. Dandenong Road, Croydon [Tuesday 10th March 2020]

Location: Koonung Secondary College, 615 Elgar Rd, Mont Albert North [Thursday 12th March 2020]

Dates: Tuesday 10th (7:00-10:00pm) and Thursday 12th March 2019 (7:00-10:00pm)

### Requirements:

You are required to prepare two 90 second selections to perform at your audition. It is recommended that one of the pieces chosen demonstrates characterisation, and that the other is in the style of Footloose [80s pop/rock] to demonstrate your vocal ability.

Auditions will be performed to an accompanying pianist. Please ensure you bring sheet music with the cuts properly noted.

Performers may also be required to complete range tests and/or cold-read script excerpts as part of the audition. Please bring your audition form to your audition, and arrive 15 minutes prior to your booked time.

Auditionees are expected to be familiar with the show.

**Strictly no: numbers from Footloose**

**CALLBACKS/DANCE CALL:**

Location: EV's Youth Centre is 212 Mt. Dandenong Road, Croydon

Date: Sunday 15th March 2019

Dance Call Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Callbacks: 1:30pm - 6:00pm

Auditionees will be notified by text message and email to the details provided on their audition form to advise whether they have progressed to the second stage of auditions. Those that progress will be required to attend the callbacks. Attendees will be required to participate in some movement exercises, so please wear clothing that is comfortable and appropriate.

Please arrive warmed up, and bring a water bottle. Auditionees may be asked via SMS and email to prepare additional material (from the show). Auditionees are expected to be familiar with the show.

**SHOW SYNOPSIS:**

Footloose is the story of Ren McCormack, a teenage boy from Chicago. He and his mother move to the country town of Bomont after his father abandons them. Upon arriving, Ren finds himself at odds with most of the town, including the conservative Reverend Shaw Moore. To Ren's disbelief, the Reverend has convinced the town to outlaw dancing. With the help of Ariel (the Reverend's daughter) and Willard (a country hick who becomes his best friend), Ren convinces the Reverend to let the teenagers throw a dance, and in the process helps the town to heal from a tragedy that affected them all.

**CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS:**

Ren McCormack Male: 18-25 D3-C5	Energetic, emotional, rebellious, likeable; emotes his pain through quirky sarcasm and dance; strong dancer.
Ariel Moore Female: 18-25 G3-G5	Smart, a bit of the bad girl with an edge, sweet, the rebellious minister's daughter; role requires strong belt, must be a strong singer/dancer.

Rev. Shaw Moore Male: Adult G2-F4	The powerful, traditional local church leader; strict, stern, and solemn, still struggling with the death of his son.
Vi Moore Female: Adult G3-D5	Reverend Moore's loving, supportive, resilient wife.
Rusty Female: 18-25 A3-F6	Ariel's friend; a bit scatterbrained, sweet, fun, knows everything about everything; role requires strong belt, strong comedic timing and dance.
Willard Hewitt Male: 18-25 B2-A4	A simple country bumpkin with a warm heart and a big smile; comedic timing and dance a must.
Ethel McCormack Female: Adult G3-D5	Ren's mother; had a tough go, just trying to make it. Would do anything for her son.
Chuck Cranston Male: 18-25 F3-B4	The local bad boy and Ariel's boyfriend.
Wendy Jo Female: 18-25 F3-B4	Ariel's friend; strong belt, comedic timing, and dance required.
Urleen Female: 18-25 A3-F5	Ariel's friend; the smart one of the group; role requires strong belt, comedic timing, and dance.
Ensemble Female and Male: various ages	15 - 20 ensemble members. Townspeople, students; need strong character actors (all age ranges) for many roles (listed below); teenage through adults; chorus singing, dancing parts; all teens dance, all adults dance at the prom. Lulu Warnicker – Ren's aunt Wes Warnicker – Lulu's husband Coach Roger Dunbar – Gym teacher Eleanor Dunbar – Roger's Wife Lyle – Chuck's buddy Travis – Chuck's buddy Principal Harry Clark Betty Blast – Owner of the Burger Blast Jeter – Ren's friend Bickle – Ren's friend Garvin – Ren's friend Cowboy Bob/Cop High School Students

## **BOOKING AN AUDITION:**

Please head to the following link to book an audition time.

<https://airtable.com/shrzu2tTgZm3lt1o2>

## **SHOW FEES:**

Show fees include a Production Levy of \$100, as well as a \$25 membership fee with Lightbox Productions.

All cast members are required to be financial members of Lightbox Productions Inc until the end of the production season to perform in the show.

Fees are due at the first rehearsal, and are non-refundable. Instalment options are available, but must be communicated to the producer at the time of casting.

## **REHEARSAL INFORMATION AND IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Rehearsal Location: EV's Youth Centre, Croydon. [Tuesdays and Sundays]
- Rehearsal Location: Koonung Secondary College, 615 Elgar Rd, Mont Albert North [Thursdays]
- All rehearsals will take place on Tuesday evenings (7:00pm-10:00pm), Thursday evenings (7:00pm-10:00pm) and Sunday afternoons (12:00pm-5:30pm)
- The production team reserves the right to schedule additional rehearsals as required closer to the show dates.
- 1st Rehearsal: Tuesday 17th March 2020 (Read Through and Introductions)
- Rehearsal Weekend: Saturday 18th April & Sunday 19th April 2020 (10:00am - 6:00pm)
- Bump In: Sunday 17th May 2020
- Performances: Thursday 21st (evening), Friday 22nd (evening), Saturday 23rd (matinee) & Saturday 23rd May 2020 (evening)

## **NOTES FROM THE PRODUCTION TEAM:**

- Cast will be required to provide their own hosiery, basic stage makeup and shoes. Some costume items may also need to be provided

## **COMPANY ADMINISTRATION: PLEASE NOTE**

- Any unavailability must be disclosed at the time of audition.
- Any following long term unavailabilities must be discussed with the producers prior to arrangements being made.
- Repeated non-attendance, particularly without explanation, may result in loss of role within the show, or removal from the cast altogether. Lightbox Productions Inc reserves the right to remove any cast member from the show at any time.
- Minimum age of auditionees is to be 15 years at the time of auditions
- All personnel involved with the production must have a current Working with Childrens Check.
- All personnel involved with our productions must always adhere to the company code of conduct and any other company policies at all times.
- No photos or videos of rehearsals, costumes, props, or choreography are to be published or

shared (particularly on social media) without the express consent of the marketing manager or production manager.

- Lightbox Productions Inc reserves the right to take and publish photographs of cast members/auditionees for casting, costumes, make up, publicity and program purposes, which may be used in any form of media.
- Any prospective auditionees will be required to pay any outstanding amount owed to Lightbox Productions Inc before an audition time can be allocated.
- Cast members will be required to sign up as members of Lightbox Productions Inc on acceptance of their role

Confidential offers will be made to performers on March 16th 2020. These offers are only valid for 24 hours. Cast announcement will occur via website and Facebook on March 20th 2020.

If you wish to clarify any of the above information, or if you have any questions about auditions, simply email [footloose@lightboxau.com](mailto:footloose@lightboxau.com)

### **FOR LIGHTBOX PRODUCTIONS**

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