

The WordPlayers' AUDITIONS for
Junie B. in Jingle Bells, Batman Smells

Thank you so much for considering auditioning for our production of *Junie B. in Jingle Bells, Batman Smells*! We look forward to putting on this light hearted Christmas story that is entertaining for all ages.

AUDITION INFORMATION:

Auditions will be held at Erin Presbyterian Church, 200 Lockett Road, Knoxville, TN 37919

Monday, September 30th 2024 // 6:00pm-8:00pm EDT by appointment

Callbacks will take place Tuesday, October 1st 2024 starting at 6:00pm.

To schedule an audition appointment, please email Lucy Wright at: mavelucy123@gmail.com

Please prepare a one minute monologue, preferably comedic. Bonus points if it is from a children's POV, although not at all required. Please fill out the audition form found on wordplayers.org, and bring it with you to the audition printed out. You do not need to provide a headshot unless you want to, however, please provide a resume or a list of your recent work, and attach it to the audition form.

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Actors who are out of town for auditions are encouraged to submit a self tape, headshot and resume to the email above by 9/29/24.

SHOW AND REHEARSAL INFORMATION:

The show will be held at the Pellissippi Clayton Performing Arts Center on December 13th-18th.

PUBLIC PERFORMANCES	SCHOOL SHOWS
Dec. 13 @ 7:30pm	Dec. 13 @ 9:30am
Dec. 14 @ 2:30pm	Dec. 16 @ 9:30am
Dec. 15 @ 2:30pm	Dec. 16 @ 12:00pm
	Dec. 17 @ 9:30am
	Dec. 18 @ 9:30am

Rehearsals will begin on October 21st. These will primarily be held from 6:30pm-9:30pm M-F. Exceptions to this include October 31st-November 1st (for Halloween) and November 27th-29th (for Thanksgiving). We will NOT be holding any weekend rehearsals for this production.

PLAY DESCRIPTION:

“Junie B. Jones, First-Grader, is super-excited about the upcoming Holiday Sing-Along and Secret Santa gift exchange at her school. Too bad tattletale May keeps ruining all of Junie B.'s fun. So when Junie B. draws May's name for Secret Santa, she comes up with the perfect plan to teach her nemesis a lesson! But will the Christmas spirit of peace and goodwill interfere before she can give you-know-who what she deserves?” (playscripts.com)

CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS:

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Junie B. Jones: a first grader with a sassy attitude. She loves to come up with nicknames for her friends, and she is never afraid to speak her mind. She is around 6 years old.

May: often referred to by JBJ as “Tattletale May,” May is another first grader in the class. She is very outspoken against JBJ and has no patience for her antics or “rule breaking.” She is the main antagonist. She loves being the teacher's pet and being right.

Mr. Scary: JBJ’s first grade class teacher. He is very sound minded and is often found breaking up conflict between JBJ and May.

Herb: a first grader also in JBJ’s class, who JBJ often refers to as her best friend. He backs her up and is definitely portrayed as a good friend. Herb also is not fond of May.

Grampa Miller: JBJ’s grandfather, who she loves. His first name is Frank, and he gets a kick out of JBJ when she calls him that. A stereotypical cooky grandparent who spoils their grandkids.

Lucille: an extremely rich girl in JBJ’s first grade class. She is constantly bragging about her money, but she has no interest in sharing it with her peers. She wears fluffy dresses and tries to be very proper.

Elf Ellen: the parent president of the PTO. Her name is Mrs. Hooks, and she has a son named Jeff in the third grade. She runs the Christmas gift store as a volunteer at the school.

José: another first grader in JBJ’s class. He does speak basic Spanish periodically throughout the show. He seems to get along with JBJ well and is often seen with the other students.

Mr. Toot: the school’s music teacher. He wears Christmas music ties and is very passionate about serving the elementary school choir.

Sheldon: another first grader in JBJ’s class. He provides witty remarks in class and is often seen with José and the other kids in the class.

Philip Jonny Bob: JBJ’s imaginary elephant friend who provides her with comfort and advice. He lives in her bedroom and agrees with all of JBJ’s points.