

The Tempest

Auditions Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st February

Called a romance by modern scholars, this comedy is Shakespeare's last play. Magic, romance and revenge all play out on an island following a ship wrecked by a tempestuous storm.

A minimum cast of 14 is needed, (this would require doubling up) but many more than that can be cast. Although Miranda is the only official female role I have no problem with casting any role as either gender. I am just after good actors who can tell the story.

Audition pieces to prepare, (page number references are for the script on the Wick Website):

Pages 3 to 5 MASTER, BOATSWAIN, ALONSO, SEBASTIAN, ANTONIO and GONZALO.
From MASTER: Boatswain!... to SEBASTIAN: Let's take leave of him.

Pages 6 to 8 PROSPERO and MIRANDA
From MIRANDA: If by your art, my dearest father... to MIRANDA: Which is from my remembrance! Please you, farther.

Pages 13 and 14 Prospero and Ariel
From ARIEL: All hail, great master!... to ARIEL: Past the mid-season.

Pages 35 to 37 SEBASTIAN and ANTONIO
From SEBASTIAN: I have no hope... to SEBASTIAN: O, but one word.

Pages 39 to 41 CALIBAN, STEPHANO and TRINCULO
From CALIBAN: All the infections that the sun sucks up... to STEPHANO: I have no long spoon.

Pages 45 to 47. FERDINAND, MIRANDA and PROSPERO
From FERDINAND: There be some sports are painful... to MIRANDA: To weep at what I am glad of.

Pages 57 to 58 ARIEL
From ARIEL: You are three men of sin... to ARIEL: And a clear life ensuing.

Pages 72 to 73 PROSPERO
From PROSPERO: Ye elves of hills... to PROSPERO: I'll drown my book.

CHARACTERS:

ALONSO, King of Naples

SEBASTIAN, his Brother

PROSPERO, the right Duke of Milan

ANTONIO, his Brother, the usurping Duke of Milan

MIRANDA, Daughter to Prospero

ARIEL, an airy Spirit

CALIBAN, a savage and deformed Slave

FERDINAND, Son to the King of Naples

GONZALO, an honest old Counsellor

ADRIAN, FRANCISCO, Lords

TRINCULO, a Jester

STEPHANO, a drunken Butler

Master of a Ship, Boatswain, Mariners

IRIS, CERES, JUNO, Nymphs, Reapers, presented by Spirits

Other Spirits attending on Prospero