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**FORD'S THEATRE SOCIETY ANNOUNCES
OPEN AUDITIONS FOR CHILDREN'S ROLES IN
A CHRISTMAS CAROL
Friday, August 23, 2019
Saturday, August 24, 2019**

Children Ages 7 to 13 Encouraged to Attend

Washington, D.C. –Ford's Theatre Society announced that auditions for children's roles in the company's productions of *A Christmas Carol* will be held **August 23** from **6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** and **August 24** from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the **Ford's Theatre Center for Education and Leadership (514 Tenth Street NW)**. Those interested in auditioning should pre-register for a specific day via the website (<https://www.fords.org/work-with-us/auditions>). All auditionees will be seen in the order they arrive on site on August 23 or 24. Families will be notified if their child is requested for a callback. Callbacks will be held August 25.

Children between the ages of 7 and 13, who reside in the Washington, D.C., and Baltimore metro areas, must prepare an a cappella verse/chorus from a Christmas song of their choosing and the scene materials for their specific age group, which are available for download on the Ford's Theatre website at <https://www.fords.org/work-with-us/auditions>.

Children also should bring a photo and résumé to auditions. Detailed information and conflict sheets also are posted on the Ford's Theatre Auditions webpage.

Please review the rehearsal and performance schedule (November 5, 2019 through January 1, 2020) prior to auditioning. Those with conflicts should not attend the open auditions on August 23 and 24.

A Christmas Carol Auditions

A Christmas Carol features 14 participating children, ages 7-13: two teams of seven children who will split performances and must be able to perform at all performances. The **rehearsal and performance commitment dates for this year's *A Christmas Carol*** cast are **November 5, 2019 to January 1, 2020**.

Rehearsals will be held after school (4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.) on weekdays, and all day (10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.) on Saturdays and Sundays. Most Mondays, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas

Day are normal days off. Technical rehearsals begin November 16 and the span of day shifts from noon to 10:00 p.m. or noon-11:30 p.m. (times subject to change). All performances of *A Christmas Carol* are at Ford's Theatre (511 10th Street NW).

Those with questions should visit the Auditions page of the Ford's Theatre website for detailed information: <https://www.fords.org/work-with-us/auditions>. No phone calls please.

Ford's Theatre Society

Since reopening in 1968, more than a hundred years after President Abraham Lincoln's assassination, Ford's Theatre has celebrated Lincoln's legacy and explored the American experience through theatre and education. Under the leadership of Director Paul R. Tetreault, Ford's Theatre has been recognized for the superior quality of its artistic programming. With works from the Tony-nominated *Come From Away* and the nationally acclaimed *Big River* to the world premieres of *Meet John Doe*, *The Heavens Are Hung In Black*, *Liberty Smith*, *Necessary Sacrifices*, *The Widow Lincoln* and *The Guard*, Ford's Theatre is making its mark on the American theatre landscape. For its accomplishments, the organization was honored in 2008 with the National Medal of Arts. For more information, visit www.fords.org.

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