



**Seussical™**  
**KIDS**

**AUDITION PACKAGE**

Spring 2025

# Seussical KIDS

## Leads Audition Info

Auditions will take place Sat Feb 8 & Sun Feb 9th from 10-3pm @ Studio 89. Read through the audition requirements. **Actors must first be registered on our parent portal in their desired leads class.** After you have registered, we will contact you directly to fill out an audition form and set up your audition time slot.

## What Should I Prepare?

- Songs: Prepare at least **two** songs from the show that suit your character choices. See the full song list and suggestions for each character attached.
- Scenes: Prepare audition scenes for two characters you would like to audition for. These will help us see your acting range and ability to bring the characters to life.
- Optional Movement: Be ready for a brief movement exercise during auditions.





# Seussical<sup>TM</sup>

## KIDS

## Leading Characters

### THE CATS

The Cats (Cat 1, Cat 2, Cat 3) are mischievous, spirited creatures who take JoJo and the audience on quite an adventure. We are looking for 3 actors with great singing chops and who can move well. Since the Cats take on different roles throughout the play, these actors should be bold, versatile and able to switch roles at the drop of a dime.

### HORTON THE ELEPHANT

Horton is a loveable elephant with a heart of gold. We are looking to cast a young performer who can sing well and convey great loyalty and conviction to the Whos. Horton is a large role with several singing solos.

### JOJO

JoJo is the audience's link to the story. The audience follows the narrative through JoJo's eyes. We are looking for someone with an earnest and open disposition. They should be a great singer and actor as JoJo has several singing solos.

### SOUR KANGAROO

Sour Kangaroo is as sour as a kangaroo can be. We are looking for someone who can sing and act well and can serve up a good deal of sass. They should function well as a pair with the Young Kangaroo

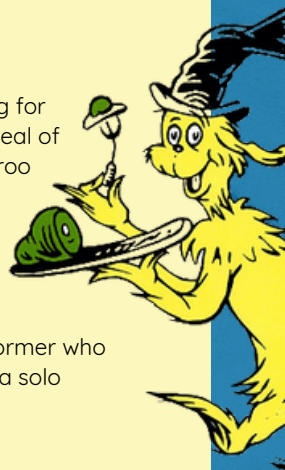
## Supporting Characters

### GERTRUDE MCFUZZ

Gertrude McFuzz is a bird with tail envy! Looking for great performer who can sing, act and is a perfect match for Horton. Gertrude sings a solo song in our show.

### MAYZIE LABIRD

Mayzie LaBird is a sneaky bird who tricks Horton into helping her take care of her egg. We are looking for someone who can express a fun, jovial and careless spirit.



**MR. MAYOR**

Mr. Mayor is the mayor of Whoville and the perfect picture of a father. He tries to keep the town happy and secure, which is quite a job since the tiny Whos are always in danger of being swept away and lost. We are looking for an actor who can portray a sense of authority. Mr. Mayor has a few featured lines sung with Mrs Mayor, so it's great if the two actors' voices work well together.

**MRS. MAYOR**

Mrs. Mayor is the mayor's wife and is most concerned with trying to make sure her son, JoJo, stays in line. We are looking for a singer and actor complementary of Mr. Mayor and JoJo, whose voice blends well with Mr. Mayor.

**JUDGE YERTLE**

Judge Yertle the turtle presides over Horton's court proceedings. This is a fun role for a performer who can make strong acting choices.

**VLAD VLADIKOFF**

Vlad Vladikoff is an eagle who drops Whoville into a field of clovers! Looking to cast someone who has a great sense of comedy and can make strong acting choices in this fun cameo role.

**WICKERSHAM BROTHERS**

The Wickersham Brothers (Wickersham 1, Wickersham 2, Wickersham 3) are a trio of trouble-making monkeys! We are looking for actors who can make strong physical choices, complement one another well and bring a bold, diverse energy to their mischief. Wickersham 3 has mostly solos that aren't sung, so make sure that actor has great diction and a strong sense of rhythm.

**YOUNG KANGAROO**

Sour Kangaroo is as sour as a kangaroo can be. We are looking to cast someone who can sing and act well and can serve up a good deal of attitude. They should function well as a pair with the Sour Kangaroo.

**OTHER CHARACTERS**

Jungle Citizens (1-5), the Talk Show Host and Marshal are all essential roles for creating the vivid and imaginative world of Seuss. Each creature or person should embody the characters with bold choices and a strong connection to the rest of the players



# Seussical KIDS Musical Numbers

## Learn 2 from the following:



**Oh, the Thinks You Can Think! [All Leads]**

**Horton Hears A Who [Horton]**

**Here On Who [Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Mayor, Whos Ensemble, Jojo, Horton]**

**Oh, the Thinks You Can Think! (Reprise) [Cats, Jojo]**

**It's Possible (Part 1) [Jojo, Cats, Kidlet Ensemble]**

**It's Possible (Part 2) [Jojo, Cats, Kidlet Ensemble]**

**Alone in the Universe [Horton, Jojo]**

**The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz [Gertrude]**

**Monkey Around/Chasing the Whos**

[Cats, Wickershams, Jungle Citizens, Sour Kangaroo, Vlad Vladikoff]

**Horton Sits on the Egg/Dilemma [Jungle Citizens, Horton]**

**Solla Sollew [Horton, Jungle Citizens]**

**The Whos Return**

[Horton, Gertrude, Whos Ensemble, Wickershams, Sour Kangaroo]

**Yopp!**

[Sour Kangaroo, Young Kangaroo, Cats, Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Mayor]

**Oh, the Thinks You Can Think! (Finale) [All Leads]**

**Green Eggs and Ham (Bows) [Full Cast]**



# Song & Scene Suggestions by Character

## **The Cats (1,2 or 3)**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- "It's Possible (Part 1)"
- Acting Scenes # 5 & 8

## **Horton the Elephant**

- "Horton Hears a Who"
- "Alone in the Universe"
- Acting Scenes # 1, 2, 4 & 5

## **JoJo**

- "Alone in the Universe"
- "It's Possible (Part 1)"
- Acting Scene #4

## **Sour Kangaroo**

- "Monkey Around"
- "Yopp!"
- Acting Scenes #9 & 10

## **Marshal**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- "The Whos Return"
- Acting Scene #5

## **Talk Show Host**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- "Monkey Around"
- Acting Scene #3

## **Jungle Citizens**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think"
- "Monkey Around"
- Acting Scene # 3 & 10

## **Gertrude McFuzz**

- "The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz"
- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- Acting Scenes # 1 & 3

## **Mayzie LaBird**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- "Monkey Around"
- Acting Scenes # 3 & 7

## **Mr. Mayor & Mrs. Mayor**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- "Here on Who"
- Acting Scenes # 5, 6 & 8

## **Wickersham Brothers (1,2 or 3)**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- "Monkey Around"
- Acting Scene #9

## **Young Kangaroo**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think"
- "Monkey Around"
- Acting Scenes # 9 & 10

## **Judge Yertle**

- "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"
- "The Whos Return"
- Acting Scene #5

## Acting Scene #1

**GERTURDE**

Psst! Horton! Horton, are you there?

**HORTON**

What? Who is it?

**GERTRUDE**

It's me, Gertrude! Horton! Oh, Horton! There's nothing that I wouldn't and I couldn't and I haven't gone through. And Horton... it took me seven weeks but I found your clover.  
*(HORTON eagerly takes the clover from GERTRUDE.)*

**HORTON**

Gertrude... I never noticed... you're... amazing!

**GERTRUDE**

Aw, it was nothing.

## Acting Scene #2

**HORTON**

I meant what I said,  
And I said what I meant.  
An elephant's faithful,  
One hundred percent.  
*(HORTON talks to the egg.)*

I'll protect you from harm.  
Yes, I'll do it or die!  
So rest now, Young Egg,  
And I'll sing you a lullabye.

## Acting Scene #3

### JUNGLE CITIZEN 5

Through the jungle, the news quickly flew!  
He talks to a dust speck!

### CHILD

It's on Channel Two!

*(The CHILD (JOJO) instantly envisions the whole scene)*

### TALK SHOW HOST

Our topic today is "Psychic Elephants Who Hear Voices."  
Whaddaya think, folks? Is the elephant off his trunk?  
*(GERTRUDE is now speaking on camera.)*

### GERTRUDE

I'm Gertrude McFuzz, and I live right next door.  
He's never done anything crazy before.  
He's always been friendly and loyal and kind.  
I just don't believe Horton's out of his mind!  
*(MAYZIE interrupts.)*

### MAYZIE

I'm Mayzie LaBird  
And I live in that tree.  
Enough about Horton. Let's talk about me!  
*(HORTON now pleads his case.)*

### HORTON

I just have to save them, because after all  
A person's a person no matter how small.

### HORTON, GERTRUDE

A person's a person no matter how...

## Acting Scene #4

**HORTON:** (*casually, to his clover*) Hello... hello?

**JOJO:** (startled) Hello?

**HORTON:** Who's there?

**JOJO:** It's me, JoJo. The Mayor's son.

**HORTON:** I'm Horton. The Elephant.

**JOJO:** Are you real, or are you a very large Think?

**HORTON:** Oh, I'm real, all right. I would state that in ink.

**JOJO:** In my Thinks, I imagine a lot of strange things, and I go to strange places, as if I had wings! I love a good Think!

**HORTON:** Well, for me that goes double.

**JOJO:** Sometimes my Thinks are what get me in trouble.

**HORTON:** When you think, do you dream?

**JOJO:** In bright colors!

**HORTON:** Me, too.

**HORTON:** And I go to strange places. Like Solla Sollew!

**JOJO:** When you think, do you think you could fly to the stars?

**HORTON:** Little friend, no one else could have Thinks such as ours!



## Acting Scene #5

### MARSHAL

This is the case of the People versus Horton the Elephant. Judge Yertle the Turtle presiding. The defendant is charged with talking to a speck, disturbing the peace and loitering... on an egg.

### HORTON

Your honor, this clover is Exhibit A.

They're Whos here smaller than the eyes can see

It's true sir! He's a Who and so is she.

*(HORTON shows JUDGE YERTLE the clover. JUDGE YERTLE stares at it as the crowd anxiously awaits a verdict.)*

Mr. Mayor, Mr. Mayor! Oh, please, Mr. Mayor!

You've got to prove now that you really are there!

*(The JUNGLE CITIZENS all lean in to "listen" to the clover. No sound is heard.)*

### JUDGE YERTLE

Based on the evidence, I have no choice but to order the defendant, Horton the Elephant, remanded to the Nool Asylum for the criminally insane. And as for the dust speck... it will boil in a hot steaming kettle of beezlenut oil.

### HORTON, MR. MAYOR, MRS. MAYOR

JoJo, think of something!

*(All freeze except the CATS and JOJO.)*

### CATS

Now just for a moment, young JoJo looked grim.

The fate of the Whos rested squarely on him!

But then came a Think:

A peculiar new word.

The kind of a word no one ever had heard!

## Acting Scene #6

**MR. MAYOR**

JoJo!

I'm the Mayor of Who. Why, I've just been elected.  
And upright behavior is thus forth expected.

**MRS. MAYOR**

We've just had a talk with your teachers today—  
And they didn't have one single good thing to say!

**MR. MAYOR**

Your Thinks were so wild they disrupted your classes.

**MRS. MAYOR**

And made Mrs. Mackel-Who drop her new glasses.

**MR. MAYOR**

Now Horton has found us. We're safe on a clover.  
But clearly our troubles are far, far from over.

**MRS. MAYOR**

We don't mean to scold you. We love you, oh, yes, dear.  
But couldn't you try thinking just a bit less, dear?

## Acting Scene #7

*(MAYZIE enters with souvenirs from her trip.)*

### **MAYZIE**

Good gracious! I've seen you before. Now, let's see...

### **HORTON**

Why, Mayzie, it's Horton! Remember? It's me!  
I've sat on your egg now for fifty-one weeks!

### **MAYZIE**

I may be unreliable, fancy free,  
Irresponsible, crazy me,  
But seeing you gives me true delight  
Just for once I've done something right.  
The egg is all yours!  
*(dramatically)*

No, don't thank me.  
I'll cry!!!  
*(and now, very sincerely)*

Good luck when it hatches  
Good luck... And goodbye.

## Acting Scene #8

**MR. MAYOR**

*(offstage)*

Help! Help!

**CAT 1**

Horton soon heard a voice,  
Calling over and over—

**MR. MAYOR**

*(offstage)*

Help!

**CAT 2**

So he tried to think  
Who might be down on that clover.

**CAT 3**

An invisible world! Amazing but true!  
And guess who now enters the story?

**CHILD**

Who?

*(The CHILD becomes JOJO. JOJO joins the WHOS who have entered the stage.)*

**CATS**

You!

## Acting Scene #9

### HORTON

Wait! Stop! Where are you taking me?

### SOUR KANGAROO

Horton, we're taking you back.

### WICKERSHAMS

You're gonna be goin' in style.

For talkin' to a speck—

And sittin' on an egg.

### SOUR KANGAROO & WICKERSHAMS

You're gonna be put on trial!

*(The WICKERSHAMS and SOUR KANGAROO laugh as they lead HORTON to the courtroom.)*



## Acting Scene #10

### JUNGLE CITIZENS

So, gently, and using the greatest of care  
The elephant stretched his great trunk through the air  
And he lifted the dust speck and carried it over  
And placed it down safely on a very soft clover.

*(The SOUR KANGAROO and the YOUNG KANGAROO enter.)*

### SOUR KANGAROO

Humpf!... humped a voice. 'Twas the Sour Kangaroo.  
And the Young Kangaroo in her pouch said:

### YOUNG KANGAROO

"Humpf!" too!

### SOUR KANGAROO

Why, that speck is as small as the head of a pin.  
A person on that? Why, there never has been!

### YOUNG KANGAROO

Humpf!

# FREQUENTLY ASKED AUDITION QUESTIONS

## What happens in an audition?

- Actors will have a 15 minute time slot scheduled where they will be asked to perform their prepared songs and scenes in front of a panel of theatre professionals.

## Do I need to audition for your productions?

- Yes & No! Auditions are required for lead roles in *Seussical KIDS* however being part of the ensemble for either production does not require an audition. All participants in the ensemble are guaranteed a role.

## When will I know audition results?

- We generally email our cast lists a few days after our audition process has concluded. We let families know either way.

## What happens if I don't get cast as a lead role after auditions?

- Because of limited roles available, it is possible that your actor may not be cast as a lead role. But don't give up! They will be offered a spot in the age appropriate ensemble class. Many of our actors have had to audition multiple times before landing a lead role! Some of our actors who are well prepared and shine confidence will land a lead role on their first try! Remember just auditioning is a huge accomplishment!

