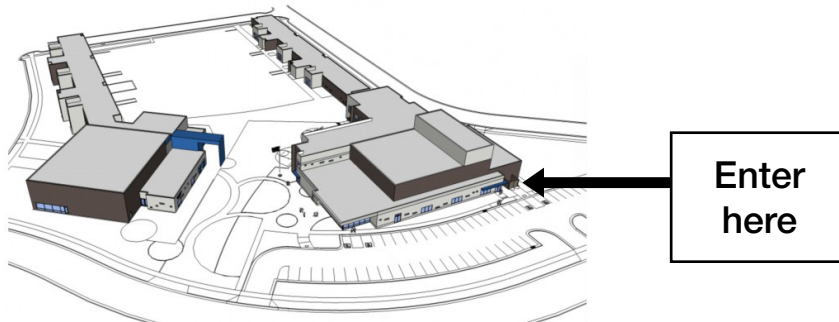


Steel Magnolias Audition Sides

Audition Location: The Blackbox Theater at Early Light Academy

Early Light Academy: 11709 S Vadiana Dr, South Jordan, UT 84009



Audition Instructions:

1. Fill out an audition form and sign up for an audition time at KensingtonTheatre.org.
2. Come prepared to read one of the character sides listed below. (If you would like to be considered for more than one role please let us know on your audition form).

We can't wait to see you at auditions!

Truvy Jones: (40-50) *Owner of a small town in-home beauty salon. A southern belle with a big personality and a huge heart. She loves doing hair, nails and making others look fabulous. She lives vicariously through her clients stories. She knows everyone's business and always has advice to share, often in the form of country sayings.*

“This is the most successful shop in town. Wanna know why? Because I have a strict philosophy that I have stuck to for fifteen years . . . “There is no such thing as natural beauty.” That’s why I’ve never lost a client to the Kut and Kurl or the Beauty Box. And remember! My ladies get only the best. Do not scrimp on anything. Feel free to use as much hair spray as you want. . . Remember that, or we’re all out of a job. Just look at me, Annelle. It takes some effort to look like this.”

M'Lynn Eatenton: (40-50) *Mother of Shelby. She is loving, over-protective and feels the need to have a firm grasp on everything in her world. She is a busy woman. She is especially concerned for her daughters health, and meddles from a place of love.*

“Yes. Yes. I feel fine. I feel great. I could jog to Texas and back, but my daughter can't. She never could. I am so mad I don't know what to do. I want

to know why. I want to know why Shelby's life is over. How is that baby ever going to understand how wonderful his mother was? Will he ever understand what she went through for him? I don't understand. Lord, I wish I could. It is not supposed to happen this way. I'm supposed to go first. I've always been ready to go first. I can't stand this. I just want to hit somebody until they feel as bad as I do. I . . . just want to hit something . . . And hit it hard."

Annelle Dupuy-Desoto: (19-25) *Very shy, quirky hair-dresser with a mysterious past. She goes from a very soft-spoken person to a bible-loving Christian wearing her heart on her sleeve.*

"Truvy just turned over the decoration responsibility to me. I like themes. And I despise the commercialization of Christmas, always have. So I went to the fire sale at the Baptist Book Store in Shreveport last month. They had mismatched manger scenes at incredibly low prices. I cleaned them out of Baby Jesuses, which Truvy's husband helped me modify into ornaments. Very simple. Tiny white lights, Baby Jesuses, and spoolies."

Shelby Eatenton-Latcherie: (20-30) *Excited bride-to-be and the daughter of M'Lynn. She is a kind, hopeful, dreamer and is loved by all. She is obsessed with the color pink. She has type 1 diabetes and refuses to be seen as fragile.*

"Mama, I don't know why you have to make everything so difficult. I look at having this baby as the opportunity of a lifetime. Sure, there may be some risk involved. That's true for anybody. But you get through it and life goes on. And when it's all said and done there'll be a piece of immortality with Jackson's looks and my sense of style. . . I hope. Mama, please. I need your support. I would rather have thirty minutes of wonderful than a lifetime of nothing special."

Clairee Belcher: (50-60) *Widow of the former mayor of Chinquapin. She is wealthy and, like Truvy, knows everyone's business. She is the witty sarcastic member of the group. She loves to laugh and poke fun at the little things that others cry over. She is a lifelong friend of Ouiser, and the two of them have a very teasing sibling-like relationship.*

"Lloyd and I missed it to fifty years by three months. That stinker. Bless his heart. He tried. He just couldn't make it. . . Of course I remember everything. The flowers, the food. Ouiser was my maid of honor. Shelby, I hope you and Jackson will be as happy as Lloyd and I were. We had such a good time. Until last November . . . At least he hung on through the state playoffs."

Ouiser Bourdeaux: (50-60) **pronounced Weezer. She is a wealthy old woman and is a very grumpy, yet equally lovable lady. Her unique personality and sense of humor is a great relief in the serious scenes. She is a lifelong friend to Clairee, and the two of them have a very teasing sibling-like relationship.*

“Put a lid on it, Clairee. I was standing there looking at my - *my* naked magnolia tree when I saw Drum across the way loading what appeared to be a cannon. I asked him what happened to all those magnolia blossoms. He said the wind probably blew them off during the night. Then I asked him how the wind managed to blow them all off into your pool. Then he fired at me! Is that rude or what? ...He’s a real gentleman. I’ll bet he takes the dishes out of the sink before he pees in it.”