

Unlikely Heroes

A Musical for Youth

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CAST

THE ACADEMY OF CHOSEN DESTINIES

Teacher: Professor Quinlyn

Teacher: Professor Quade

STUDENTS:

Poggie (Goblin)

Ethos (Conscience)

Zaki (Genie)

Olive (Human)

Ginny (Human)

Lavender (Fairy)

Bramble (Troll)

THE HIGH COURT

King

Queen

Jester

Herald

Advisor 1

Advisor 2

Alchemist

General

THE GOBLIN COURT

King

Queen

Jester

Advisor 1

Advisor 2

Alchemist

Guard 1

Guard 2

PETITIONERS & CUT SCENE CAST

Pig Farmer 1

Pig Farmer 2

Glitter (Fern's mom)

Westwind (Fern's dad)

%Young Petunia

%Nursy

%Etiquette Tutor

%Hamshank (Pig)

%Fairy 1

%Fairy 2

%Fairy 3

%Fairy 4

%Young Fern

%Young Knight

%Young Dragon

%Petitioner 1

%Petitioner 2

THE SAFE SPACE SQUAD

Benedict 1 (Young Quinlyn)

Benedict 2 (Young Quade)

Princess Petunia

Wolfgang (the Big Bad Wolf)

Skogra (Troll)

Scruple (Conscience)

Fern (Fairy)

Jamila (Genie)

Valiant (Knight)

Frizzle (Dragon)

Monty (Giant)

* = Chorus part

% Kids assigned these roles may be assigned two roles

Total cast = between 47-50

CASTING AND CHARACTER NOTES

*There are 14-16 roles open to kids in 1st – 3rd grades. These are Petitioners, Young Dragon, Young Knight, Young Fern, Young Petunia, Fairies 1-4, Hamshank, Pig Farmers, and Students at the Academy of Chosen Destinies.

*All roles are available to kids in 4th grade and up.

*Goblins, High Court, Safe Space Squad, and Teachers must all be strong singers and may have solos, duets, or small group singing parts.

*The Safe Space Squad will be rehearsing on Sunday afternoons. Some students have indicated that they are not available on most Sunday afternoons. Most if not all other characters' scenes will be rehearsing on Friday afternoons. A character specific rehearsal schedule will be given out after auditions, when casting is complete.

*The roles on the cast list that are **BOLD print**, are roles with a significant number of lines. These roles will require a lot of memorization.

CHARACTERS

Teacher Quade and Teacher Quinlyn – These roles are a brother and a sister and are “old”. The younger version of these characters are Benedict 1 and Benedict 2 (but the audience doesn't find this out until the end of the play).

Students at the Academy of Chosen Destinies – a group of youngsters, enjoying their first day at the Academy of Chosen Destinies, under the tutelage of Quade and Quinlyn

High Court – A very hoity-toity, proper, group; set on following the rules and making sure everyone in society fits in to their proper place. Lots of opportunities for humor

Goblin Court – A very bawdy, raucous, naughty group; set on causing as much mayhem and discord as possible.

Petitioners and Cut Scene Cast – these are smaller roles, and some actors may be cast in multiple roles in this group. However, while small, they are very engaging and entertaining characters; lots of fun to play

Safe Space Squad – The Band of Unlikely Heroes; these roles are larger and will likely include solo singing.

Benedict 1 & 2: The younger versions of Teacher Quade and Teacher Quinlyn; these two characters were advisors to the king and queen until their big mouths got them into trouble. Now, they lead a this band of misfits in a support group for ... well... misfits

Princess Petunia – the tomboy princess of Primpropriety that would rather hunt in the woods and wrestle with animals that do anything princess-y.

Fern – a fairy whose magic dust is quite unusual – when she's angry, her dust electrocutes people; when she's anxious she creates a cloud of mosquitoes. She does not fit into the graceful and elegant fairy society

Skogra – a Troll who refuses to be a villain. Skogra loves dancing, singing, and anything feminine and beautiful – she's a bit of a “valley girl” in her mannerisms. Clearly this a problem, as Trolls are “villains”

Wolfgang – A big bad wolf who is a vegetarian

Jamila/Jamil – a genie who can only grant a smidgeon of wishes (e.g. you asked for a feast, you got a PBJ)

Monty – A giant who isnot giant. But tall enough to reach things off high shelves at least?

Valiant – A knight who is best friends with a dragon

Frizzle – A dragon who is best friends with a Knight

Scruple – a Conscience who is an eternal optimist and always encouraging, unable to see the bigger picture; a bit of a “surfer dude” affectation