Audition Notice



On a dark and wintry night, seven strangers are snowed in at a remote English guesthouse while news spreads of a murder in London. The sudden arrival of a police sergeant throws the guests in a panic: the killer is in their midst! The game is now afoot as the sergeant begins to uncover the unsavory secrets of the visitors. Which one is the murderer? Who will be the next target? For over 70 years, the longest-running play in history has kept audiences guessing. Can you solve this world-famous mystery?

Audition Dates:

Sunday, December 8, 2024, 12 pm (noon) – 2 pm, TCP Playhouse Monday, December 9, 2024, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm, TCP Playhouse If you cannot make either of these dates and times, contact the director.

Performance Dates:

Thursday, February 6, 2025, 7 pm, TCP Playhouse Friday, February 7, 2025, 7 pm, TCP Playhouse Saturday, February 8, 2025, 7 pm, TCP Playhouse Sunday, February 9, 2025, 2 pm, TCP Playhouse

The pronouns and ages listed are descriptions of the characters. Actors are welcome to express interest to be considered for any roles, regardless of gender or age.

MOLLIE RALSTON: Female; Age 20s to early 30s. New owner/hostess of Monkswell Manor; anxious about hosting the inn's first guests; married to Giles for one year.

GILES RALSTON: Male; Age 20s to early 30s. Owns Monkswell Manor with his wife Mollie; somewhat arrogant and jealous of the other guests' attentions toward Mollie.

CHRISTOPHER WREN: Male; Age 20s to 30s. The first guest to arrive at the hotel, Wren is a hyperactive young man who acts in a very peculiar manner. Wren claims to have been named after the architect of the same name by his parents.

MRS BOYLE: Female; Age 40s to 60s. Mrs. Boyle is an imposing woman in a bad temper; she complains about everything. She is disapproving of every effort that Mollie and Giles attempt to make her comfortable.

MAJOR METCALF: Male; Age 40s to 60s. Major Metcalf is middle-aged, square-shouldered, military in manner and bearing. He is friendly and very polite and serves as a good counter to Mrs. Boyle during the play's first act.

MISS CASEWELL: Female; Age 20s to 30s. A strange, aloof, somewhat masculine woman who speaks offhandedly about the horrific experiences of her childhood.

MR PARAVACINI: Male; Age 30s to 50s. A man of unknown provenance who turns up claiming his car has overturned in a snowdrift. He appears to be affecting a foreign accent and artificially aged with make-up.

SGT TROTTER: Male; Age late 20s to early 40s. Detective Sergeant Trotter is a cheerful, common-place man who arrives at the guest house on skis to investigate a local murder.

Note to All Potential Cast Members:

Once the show is cast, we will have a table-read as soon as possible, with all actors participating. This table-read will be recorded and emailed to all cast members. Rehearsals will not start until **after** Christmas, at which time every actor is expected to be **off book**. This will allow us to basically spend the month of January learning blocking and polishing the show.

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Costumer: Nancy Porter

Property Manager: Kim Gauck