

“Godspell” Character Breakdown

JESUS – Must have high energy, be charming, funny, gentle but with strength. He is the sort of person that others follow.

JOHN THE BAPTIST – Small role, will also become one of the other disciples. He also must be charismatic, and can take charge of a group.

JUDAS – He is both Jesus’ lieutenant and most ardent disciple and the doubter who begins to question and rebel. He is more overtly revolutionary. He is the most “serious” and intellectual of the group, though as with all the actors, he must still possess a good sense of physical comedy.

JEFFREY – Very high energy. Impish and playful.

LAMAR – Not the brightest in the bunch, he is a little slow on the uptake. But there is a sweetness and innocence about him. Sings “All Good Gifts,” must be strong vocally.

HERB – The comedian, the class clown. The guy who can do a hundred voices and imitations.

ROBIN – A bit of a tomboy, but basically open and sweet. She is the first of the group to commit to following Jesus in the song “Day by Day.”

JOANNE – The confident one, the show-off. The first one to volunteer, sometimes she jumps in before she really understands what’s going on.

PEGGY – The shy one. Sometimes a little slow to get things, but what she does, she commits all the way. Has an “earth mother” kind of warmth to her.

SONIA – Sassy and slightly cynical, the most urban of the group. Also the “Sexy” one, but her sexiness contains a large element of put-on imitation.

GILMER – The female equivalent of the class clown. Goofy and a cutie. Must be a strong comedian.

We will also audition for a small ensemble who will sing all group numbers and participate in some larger scenes.