

HEADGATE THEATRE PRODUCTIONS - PANTO 2018

ALADDIN by Ben Crocker

AUDITION DATES: –

Sunday 2nd September 4pm (Named roles and adult chorus only, i.e. over 16's)

Sunday 23rd September 10am (Children and young people audition)

AUDITION VENUE (for both) – *Headgate Theatre Studio*

PRODUCTION WEEK – *Sunday 2nd - Sunday 9th December (Evening performance dates Wed 5th December – Saturday 8th December. Matinees on Sat 8th and Sun 9th)*

Director Charlie Davison is looking for lovely people to fill the roles listed below. Charlie is looking for principals, chorus members and musicians. People who like a good laugh - and are also prepared to put in some proper hard work and serious rehearsal.

Ben Crocker's script is a fast moving, up-to-date telling of the traditional Aladdin story - a folk tale which first came to Europe over 200 years ago as one of the "1001 Arabian Nights" and is just as popular now as it was then. This version is full of verbal and physical comedy, dance, movement and great songs. As the action transports the audience from the empty deserts of Arabia to the bustling streets and slums of Old Peking, we will be telling a moving story of true love, terrible greed and a deadly struggle for absolute power. And a panda....

Are you a keen **musician**? (keyboard, drum pads, bass, other?). Please email Charlie to find out more: cdavison@aspects.net

On stage roles:-

Abanazar (a panto villain, a wicked magician and all round bad guy)

Aladdin (our young hero, could be played by a male or female actor)

Sergeant Ping (comic police person, could be played by a male or female actor)

PC Pong (comic police person, could be played by a male or female actor)

Nobby (A panda, non-speaking comic part, lots of miming and movement, could be played by a male or female actor)

Wishee Washee (comic laundry boy, could be played by a male or female actor)

Widow Twankey (panto dame, but you knew that already....oh, yes you did)

The Emperor (an older man, comic part)

Princess Jasmine (our heroine - not just a pretty face in this show, comic acting and movement including simulated martial arts)

Genie of the Lamp ('the' genie, could be played by a male or female actor, a comic part)

Genie of the Ring (another genie, smaller part, could be played by a male or female actor)

Chorus members (adults) :- Peking People, Zombies, Police, Guards

Chorus members (age 10-16) :- Peking People, Zombies

*** Everyone sings and dances, most principals have duets/trios as well as ensemble numbers