

THEATRE ON THE FARM

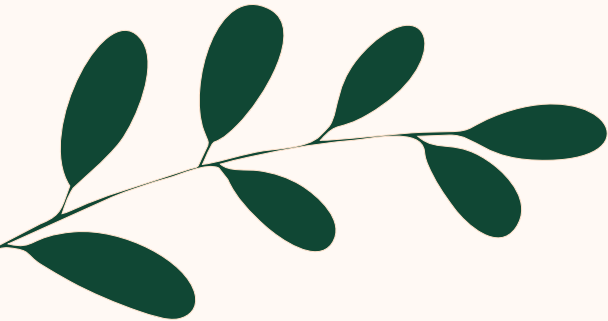
Summer of Wonder

CASTING INFORMATION PACK



WELCOME TO THEATRE ON THE FARM

“WHERE NATURE
MEETS THE
PERFORMING ARTS”



Theatre on the Farm is a rural, unique, professional, producing theatre venue. We operate from a Mongolian yurt and open-air stage where we create theatrical and musical experiences immersed in and inspired by nature. We love collaborating, bringing people together, and creating joyful spaces where artists and audiences can play, sing, laugh, and tell stories together.

Theatre on the Farm began life as All the World's a Stage in 2020, providing communities in Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire with professional open-air theatre experiences. In 2024 the company made its home at Lopemedede Farm, and Theatre on the Farm was born.

We aim to create Theatre that includes live music, is great fun, with great heart and mirrors an experience much like Shakespeare and his actors had, as a band of players.

www.theatreonthefarm.com



THE LOCATION

THEATRE ON THE FARM IS BASED AT LOPEMEDE FARM,
JUST OUTSIDE THAME IN OXFORDSHIRE.

The farm covers over 250 acres of countryside across the Oxfordshire/Buckinghamshire border and is home to sheep, cattle, wildlife and spectacular sunsets.

Getting Here:

- 30 minutes from Oxford by car and plenty of onsite parking.
- 40 minutes from London Marylebone by train
- 20 minute walk from Thame Town Centre

The nearest train station is: Haddenham & Thame Parkway.

We are looking for performers who live within travelling distance of Theatre on the Farm. Accommodation may be possible through local homestays and camping on site in the Theatre on the Farm yurt. Lift sharing where possible will be encouraged.

Performers will also have access to many of the other experiences available at Lopemedede farm, with potential discounts during the performance season.

These include:

- Fallow & Fields kitchen – Wagyu burgers, coffee and cake
- Sonder Experience – sauna and cold plunge
- Firelight – yoga, wellness events and music gigs
- Potrixceramix – pottery workshops in the Clay Cave
- Strength & Soul Studio – reformer pilates
- Outdoor gym
- The Green Soul Studio – massage, reflexology and sound healing

www.lopemedefarm.co.uk

ABOUT THE PRODUCTIONS

AS YOU LIKE IT

As You Like It is one of Shakespeare's great pastoral comedies celebrating romance, nature and transformation.

Act 1 begins indoors in a barn before actors and audience journey together into the Forest of Arden.

Act 2 takes place on Theatre on the Farm's open-air in-the-round stage, surrounded by the landscape itself.

The production includes:

- live music
- puppetry
- audience interaction

THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ

An adaptation of L. Frank Baum's beloved novel. This immersive promenade adventure is designed especially with younger audiences in mind.

The production includes:

- audience participation
- problem solving adventures
- live music
- puppetry
- barn dancing

The magical Oz finale takes place beneath a giant tipi tent on the farm.





THE ROLES

We are casting six performers (18+) to work in repertory across both productions.

All performers will play multiple roles.

Casting and doubling may be adjusted during the rehearsal process.

Actor 1

AYLI: Orlando /Corin /Sir Oliver Martext

Wizard: Narrator/Variou

Actor 2

AYLI: Touchstone /Duke Frederick /Duke Senior

Wizard: Tin Woodman

Actor 3

AYLI: Oliver /Charles /Jaques /Silvius /Lords

Wizard: Lion

Actor 4

AYLI: Rosalind

Wizard: Narrator/Variou

Actor 5

AYLI: Celia / Lords

Wizard: Dorothy

Actor 6

AYLI: Le Beau / Amiens / Phoebe / Audrey

Wizard: Scarecrow

Rehearsals and performances take place across the farm in outdoor locations and in all weathers.

We are looking to collaborate with performers who embrace the unique joys and challenges of outdoor theatre. Theatre on the Farm works very much as an ensemble company. We support one another, work hard together and create the best environment by collaborating generously.

Experience helpful but not essential:

- Outdoor theatre
- Promenade theatre
- Immersive theatre
- Shakespeare
- Actor-Musicians
- Puppetry
- Children's Theatre

PRODUCTION SCHEDULE & FEES

REHEARSAL DATES:

WEEK 1 14-18 JULY

WEEK 2 20-25 JULY

WEEK 3 27-31 JULY

1 AUGUST (Farm festival performance)

PERFORMANCE WEEK 1

4 AUGUST Wizard Tech + Dress

5 AUGUST AYLI Tech + Dress

6 AUGUST Wizard Performance 1

7 AUGUST AYLI Performance 1

8 AUGUST AYLI Performances 2 & 3

9 AUGUST Wizard Performances 2 & 3

PERFORMANCE WEEK 2

12 AUGUST Wizard Performances 4 & 5

13 AUGUST Wizard Performances 6 & 7

14 AUGUST AYLI Performance 4

15 AUGUST Wizard Performance 8 & AYLI Performance 5

16 AUGUST Wizard Performance 9 & AYLI Performance 6

Performer Fee

£1000 fixed fee per performer for the full contract.

Payment schedule:

- 25% (£250) paid upon contract confirmation
- 75% (£750) paid within 48 hours of the final performance

Payments will be made via bank transfer upon receipt of invoice.

We understand performers often rely on prompt payment and aim to process all fees quickly and transparently.



AUDITION PROCESS

STEP 1

Application

Please send an email to: casting@theatreonthefarm.com

Include:

- Where you are based
- How you intend to travel to Theatre on the Farm
- Details of singing, actor-musician or puppetry skills
- Relevant experience with outdoor theatre, promenade theatre or Shakespeare
- A link to your Spotlight or Mandy profile (or CV)
- Any additional material such as showreels or recordings

Application deadline: **Friday 1 May**

STEP 2

SelfTape

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to submit a self-tape audition.

STEP 3

Workshop Audition

Final shortlisted performers will be invited to attend an in-person workshop audition at Theatre on the Farm.

Date: **Saturday 16 May** 11am – 6pm

Travel costs will be reimbursed up to £20 per performer.



Equal Opportunities

Theatre on the Farm welcomes applications from performers of all backgrounds and is committed to inclusive casting.

We are particularly interested in hearing from local performers from under-represented backgrounds seeking opportunities to further their creative careers.



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