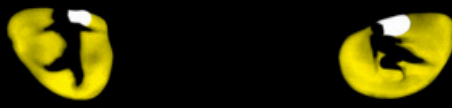


LET THE MEMORY LIVE AGAIN



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AUDITION BRIEF



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THE SHOW

MUSIC BY ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

BASED ON OLD POSSUM'S BOOK OF PRACTICAL CATS BY T.S. ELLIOT

ORIGINALLY PRODUCED BY CAMERON MACKINTOSH AND
THE REALLY USEFUL THEATRE COMPANY

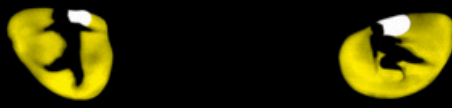
Adapted from TS Eliot's 'Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats', this "groundbreaking musical" (Daily Express) comes together in a sparkling fusion of music, dance and verse.

On just one special night of the year, all Jellicle cats meet at the Jellicle Ball where Old Deuteronomy, their wise and benevolent leader, makes the Jellicle choice and announces which of them will go up to The Heaviside Layer and be reborn into a whole new Jellicle life.

With "timeless music, spectacular sets and a superb cast" (Daily Mirror), breathtaking choreography and of course the unforgettable 'Memory', CATS is a magical musical like no other.



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AUDITION DATES

MELBOURNE: 17 - 22 February 2025

SYDNEY: 24 February - 1 March 2025

Final auditions will take place in Sydney on the 28th of February and 1st of March 2025.

Please note, not all applicants will receive an audition. Successful applicants will be notified of an audition time during the week commencing 10 February 2025. Late applications will not be accepted.

TOUR DATES

The Australian tour dates will be announced in due course. Please note the contract will commence on/around 8 May 2025.

This information is strictly confidential and subject to change.

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SUBMISSIONS & DEADLINES

All submissions must be made via the Crossroads Live Australia Audition Portal
<https://registrationscxlau.xroadslive.com/>

Due to the overwhelming number of audition applications we have received on recent shows, we will not be able to change Audition cities or appointments once scheduled.

AGENTS, PLEASE CHECK THE AVAILABILITY OF YOUR CLIENT/S AND WHICH CITY THEY WOULD PREFER TO AUDITION IN, PRIOR TO COMPLETING YOUR ONLINE APPLICATIONS!

TO NOTE:

- All performers must be 18 years or older.
- Parts of the audition process may be filmed for casting purposes or potential use for marketing and promotional purposes. The auditionee acknowledges that filming may take place and no payment shall be received. The auditionee acknowledges that attendance at an audition is at their own risk. Any costs incurred in attending an audition are the sole responsibility of the auditionee and not the Producer.
- For roles and covers, we require strong singers who must be able to meet the range requirements.
- We're looking for exceptional dancers/singers with strong technical skills in ballet, jazz and acrobatics.

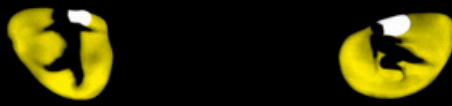
AUDITION APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 11:59PM SUNDAY 2 FEB 2025

INCLUSIVITY STATEMENT

This production recognises the diversity of the Australian performing community and we seek to foster a more realistic and more creative representation of Australia on our stages. To this end, we strongly encourage applications from performers of varied experiences, perspectives and circumstances including performers from all cultural and linguistic, religious, sexual and gender identities or expression, political views, disability, and neurodiversity.



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CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

GRIZABELLA (Female presenting, 25-55 years)

Grizabella is a survivor, but she is vulnerable, and now outcast from the tribe. She was once very glamorous, but with age her beauty is fading.

An exceptional singer/actress with sensational, powerful vocals needed.

VOCAL RANGE: Soprano, must possess a wide dynamic vocal range with rich lower darker tones, and wonderful dramatic high belt to E flat.

GUMBIE CAT/JENNYANYDOTS (Female presenting, 25-55 years)

Gumbie is a do-gooder, motherly, bossy and stuck in her ways. When she lets her hair down she becomes an Ann Miller type! Jennyanydots is the 'Gumbie Cat'. Motherly, an Edwardian 'do-gooder'.

For this role we require a character actress and soprano singer who **MUST** have strong tap dancing skills. Great comedy skills and good movement needed.

VOCAL RANGE: Good high soprano to a top D flat.

RUM TUM TUGGER (Male presenting, 18-35 years)

He is notoriously hard to please and sets himself apart from others by trying to be different. He always does the opposite of what is expected of him. Rum Tum Tugger is deviously self-centered and relishes in being so. **MUST** have very strong dance skills. Looking for a dancer with bags of personality to play this anarchic character.

OLD DEUTERONOMY (Male presenting, 35-55 years)

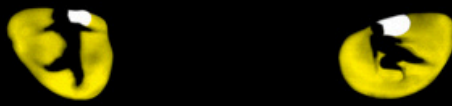
Old Deuteronomy is the beloved leader of the tribe.

Seeking a mature actor with an excellent classically trained baritone voice. Must be able to express authority, dignity, wisdom and humility - also great warmth and fun. Small amount of movement required.

VOCAL RANGE: Classically trained high baritone voice, possessing warm operatic tones to G sharp.



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MUNKUSTRAP (Male presenting, 25-35 years)

The son of Old Deuteronomy, who takes the lead in his absence.

Very good movement skills required. Ideally over 6' tall (183-201cm).

VOCAL RANGE: Excellent baritone singer with a commanding presence.

BUSTOPHER JONES/GUS/RUMPUS (Male presenting, 30-55 years)

Bustopher Jones is a sophisticated and upper class cat, respected by all.

Gus is the theatre cat - a fragile old cat who in his dreams becomes a swashbuckling pirate, who fights to his death.

A fantastic actor/singer with excellent comedic skills to play these two distinct roles. Very good movement skills needed.

VOCAL RANGE: Excellent and very strong high baritone/tenor to an A flat with the ability to sing rich, dark and rougher lower baritone tones.

MR MISTOFFELEES (Male presenting, 20-30 years)

Mr Mistoffelees is the magician, impish with an expansive personality.

Must be a phenomenal and exciting principal dancer with outstanding classical technique who can execute multiple turns a la seconde effortlessly. Gymnastic skills and tricks a plus. *Please note, flying is required for this role. Height around 5' 8" (152-173cm) tall.

VOCAL RANGE: Good high baritone vocals.

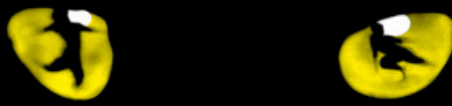
JELLYLORUM (Female presenting, 25-45 years)

Jellylorum is practical and loving, a storyteller.

Very good movement and comedy skills needed.

VOCAL RANGE: Excellent classically trained soprano with a crystal clear top D flat.





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SKIMBLESHANKS (Male presenting, 20-35 years)

Skimbleshanks is the railway cat - a fastidious, neat and ordered cat, obsessed with punctuality and cleanliness, yet possessing a big heart and sense of exuberance. Must have authority and a bright personality. Maximum height 5' 10" (152-178cm).

Very strong dance skills required.

VOCAL RANGE: Excellent high baritone/tenor

BOMBALURINA (Female presenting, 25-30 years)

Bombalurina is one half of the duo who sings 'Macavity'. Tall and statuesque, a lightly sexual female, who is also a fierce protector of the tribe.

Must be an excellent and experienced dancer with fantastic extension. Minimum height 5' 8" (173-180cm).

VOCAL RANGE: Excellent mezzo vocals with strong chest belt.

DEMETER (Female presenting, 20-30 years)

Demeter is one half of the duo who sings 'Macavity'. A neurotic, but highly intuitive cat.

An excellent and experienced dancer. Maximum height 5' 6" (150-168cm).

VOCAL RANGE: Very strong mezzo vocals with strong chest belt.

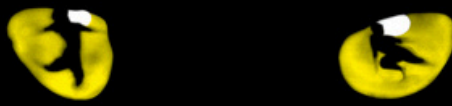
MUNGOJERRIE (Male presenting, 20-25 years)

Mungojerrie is one half of a notorious double act. He is cheeky, irreverent, young and full of energy.

An outstanding dancer with acrobatic skills. Maximum height 5' 10" (155-178 cm).

VOCAL RANGE: Excellent tenor singing voice with bags of personality.





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RUMPLETEAZER (Female presenting, 20-25 years)

Rumpleteazer is one half of a notorious double act. She is cheeky, irreverant, young and full of energy. An outstanding dancer with acrobatic skills. Maximum height 5' 6" (150-168cm).

VOCAL RANGE: Excellent singing voice with bags of personality.

VICTORIA - THE WHITE CAT (Female presenting, 18-23 years)

Victoria is young, uninhibited and inquisitive with a beautiful physique.

An outstanding dancer with excellent classical training and technique required. Must have exceptional extension and facility. Maximum height 5' 6" (150-168cm).

JEMIMA (Female presenting, 19-23 years)

Young, curious and loves life. An excellent technical dancer. Has solo vocal lines. Maximum height 5' 6" (150-168cm).

VOCAL RANGE: Must have beautiful clear youthful soprano.

BILL BAILEY (Male presenting, 19-25 years)

Strong acro skills needed. Incredibly strong dancer and good vocalist required. *Please note, flying is required for this role.

ENSEMBLE (Any gender, any playing age)

Seeking incredibly strong ensemble dancers. Good vocals also needed.

