

Shrek the Musical, Jr.
Self-Tape Audition Instructions

Video submissions are due no later than 11:59 PM on Monday, May 6th.

Please e-mail the video file to emily@playhouse2000.com. Put your name and “Shrek Audition” in the subject line. Include your name and contact information in the body of the e-mail. You will also need to send us a scanned copy (or a clear picture) of your audition form and conflict calendar completely filled out and signed.

Please allow 24 hours for a response to confirm that we received your audition. If you do not hear from us after 24 hours, please reach out to make sure that we received your audition.

Please note: We are happy to be able to provide this option for people for whom an in-person audition is not possible, but please understand that unfortunately, a video recorded audition is at a natural disadvantage to an in-person audition therefore we do recommend attending in-person if possible. Regardless, we will do our best to evaluate your audition fairly. If we decide that we would like to see more from you in the form of a remote “callback” audition, we will contact you. Thank you!!

General Instructions

- Prepare and record yourself singing one of the songs from the list of audition songs. Record your audition using a phone, tablet, or laptop.
- You must sing with the provided accompaniment track. You will likely have to play the music from a device other than the one you are using to film. Practice recording so that you can get the appropriate volume levels. We need to be able to hear both the track and your voice clearly without one overpowering the other.

- The camera should be placed at about eye level and should be looking straight at the performer. It should be far back enough that we can see the performer from about the lower chest or waist and up.
- At the beginning of your video state your name and what song you will be singing. For example: “Hello! My name is _____ and I will be singing _____.” Then, start your accompaniment track and sing your song. At the end, say “thank you” to indicate that you have finished and then stop recording.
- Do your best to show us your acting skills through your song. Sing with confidence and expression.

Extra Tips for a Good Self-Tape Audition

- It is recommended that you film horizontally, not vertically.
- Make sure that you are well lit with little to no shadows, especially on your face.
- Your background should be a solid color and blank (no pictures or decorations), if possible.
- Try to record in a space that does not have much echo. It will make the sound quality better. (Smaller rooms or closets with lots of fabric such as carpet, curtains, etc. help eliminate echo.)
- Wear attire that is appropriate and comfortable for the role(s)/show you are auditioning for – not too distracting – and make sure that your hair is not hanging down in front of your face.
- Allow yourself to make a few recordings so that you can pick the best one to send. This is the advantage to a recorded audition.