

Alley Theatre Hosts Young Actor Auditions for *A Christmas Carol*

Calling all young actors 13 years of age and under to be considered for Rob Melrose's magical adaptation of the heart-warming holiday classic

WHAT: Alley Theatre is holding auditions for children between the ages of 5 and 13 to be considered for roles in Alley Theatre's 2026 production of *A Christmas Carol*. Those wishing to audition must be available for rehearsals and performances October 20, 2026 through December 27, 2026.

REQUIREMENTS

Children must be between the ages of 5 and 13, and may not be members of AEA or SAG-AFTRA. The child auditioning must fall in this age bracket throughout the rehearsals and performances.

Children auditioning should be prepared to sing one verse a cappella from a traditional holiday song such as "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" or "O Come All Ye Faithful." Children should also prepare an age-appropriate short monologue. If your child is under 7 years of age, they can opt to prepare a short story or joke in lieu of a monologue. Total material prepared should not exceed two minutes.

WHEN: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30th and Friday, July 31st, 2026, **by appointment only.**

Parents may schedule their child by emailing contact information (Parent/Guardian name, email & phone number, the child's first/last name and child's age) to auditions@alleytheatre.org by Friday, July 24th. Audition slots tend to fill quickly. Slots will be assigned as the email requests come in, until they have been all assigned. Auditionees will receive an email confirmation of their audition slot, if time is still available.

WHERE: Alley Theatre at the Alley Theatre Center for Theatre Production – 615 Texas Ave, Houston, TX 77002

ABOUT ALLEY THEATRE:

Alley Theatre, one of America's leading nonprofit theatres, is a nationally recognized performing arts company led by Artistic Director Rob Melrose and Managing Director Jennifer Bielstein. The Alley is committed to developing and producing theatre that is as diverse as the Houston community. The Alley produces up to 11 plays and nearly 400 performances each season, ranging from the best current work and classic plays to new plays by contemporary writers. Home to a full-time resident company of actors and expert artisans in all theatre crafts, the Alley engages theatre artists of every discipline – actors, directors, designers, composers, playwrights – who work on individual productions throughout each season as visiting artists.

Alley Theatre performs at the Meredith J. Long Theatre Center which is comprised of two state-of-the-art theatres: the 774-seat Hubbard Theatre and the 296-seat Neuhaus Theatre. The Alley reaches over 200,000 people each year through its performance, education, and community engagement programs.

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