



AUDITIONS

SUMMER TOUR

Saturday, February 4th and Sunday, February 5th, 2017 in Regina

Saskatchewan Express was formed to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the province and has been providing outstanding training and performance opportunities in the performing arts since 1980. The troupe has appeared across Canada in Expo '86 and Music '91 in Vancouver, to Festival by the Sea in Saint John, New Brunswick as well as in the United States.

Many of our alumni have gone on to successful careers in professional entertainment. They have appeared on Broadway, at the Stratford Festival and the Shaw Festival, in theatres around the world, touring companies across North America, cruise ships and theme parks, film, television and the recording industry. Many have come home to appear at Globe Theatre in Regina, Persephone Theatre in Saskatoon and the Souris Valley Theatre in Estevan.

As a performer in **Saskatchewan Express** you will have the opportunity to work with others of equal ability from across the province to improve as a performer and grow as a person. You will:

- Enhance your vocal, dance and performance skills.
- Learn the demands of a touring show both on stage and behind the scenes.
- Have the opportunity to travel the province and meet people from all walks of life, and
- Make lifelong friends of your fellow performers.

The experience, inspiration and opportunities offered by **Saskatchewan Express** will benefit you throughout your life.

We are looking for singers with vocal ability and stage presence. Don't worry if you don't dance, we'll help you learn. And dancers, you will have the opportunity to do some singing as well as dancing.

REHEARSALS:

- Rehearsals are held every weekend in Regina from the end of March through June.
- Rehearsals are held during Easter holidays and on some week days or nights when performers are available.
- Cast members living outside of Regina are asked to find accommodation with relatives or friends if possible. If you need accommodation we will endeavour to find it for you.
- Out-of-Regina performers receive monetary assistance to help cover meal and travel costs.

SUMMER TOUR:

The Summer Tour runs from May or June to August or early September. **Saskatchewan Express** is responsible for all meals, accommodation and travel when on tour. All performers in the Summer Cast receive a scholarship.

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VOCALISTS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

- You will be notified of your audition time and the time you should report to the Registration Desk.
- Performers will be scheduled in groups of eight (8).
- Your group will learn a song in a SATB vocal score. After every eight performers there will be a General Call where you will perform the vocal ensemble number.
- The group also will learn some basic dance moves during the General Call.
- Your personal audition will be approximately 10 minutes in length.
- You are required to perform two songs in a contrasting style (one number is acceptable). Length should not exceed 32 bars or a verse and a 32 bar chorus.
- You also will receive a required piece of music to learn and perform as part of your audition.
- One number is to be performed with the microphone and one without. You may choose which number to perform with the microphone.
- Please prepare a short monologue (maximum 1 minute). If you do not have a monologue you will be given an improvisation. Monologues can be found at most libraries.
- All performers will be videotaped for the Adjudicators' use only. Please do not request a copy of your audition tape.
- **If you choose to use an accompanist, we encourage you to use your own, but *Saskatchewan Express* will have an accompanist on hand if you request one on your Application Form.**
- **If you will be using the *Saskatchewan Express* accompanist, sheet music must be received at our office before Monday, January 23rd, 2017.**
- The entire audition process will take approximately 2½ hours. Please wear comfortable clothing and comfortable low-heeled shoes or jazz oxfords.
- The successful performers will be notified in March.

Saskatchewan Express will make every effort to ensure that your audition will be a pleasant and rewarding experience.

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DANCERS

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- You will be notified of your audition time and the time you should report to the Registration Desk.
- Your audition will be 10 minutes in length.
- You are required to perform two (2) dance numbers in a contrasting style (one combination is acceptable). You may also be asked to sing a brief familiar tune.
- Please report to the Registration Desk at least one-half hour prior to your audition time, to allow yourself time to warm up.
- Please give your CDs to the Registrar who will pass them along to the sound technician.
- Please limit your two dance performance(s) to five minutes or less.
- All performers will be videotaped for the Adjudicators' use only. Please do not ask for a copy of your audition tape.
- Please wear rehearsal clothing and appropriate footwear. (no change of costumes, please.)
- At the conclusion of individual auditions there will be a General Call where you will be given on-the-spot choreography (please bring jazz shoes and tap shoes if you have them).
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Audition Application Form – SINGER
Summer Cast 2017

PLEASE PRINT

I wish to audition as a SINGER.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: Home: _____ Cell: _____ Business: _____

E-mail: _____ Fax: _____

Parent(s) names (first & last): _____

Auditioner originally from: _____

Age: _____ Birth date: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ Hair Colour: _____

Attending School – Grade: _____ Present Occupation: _____

SINGERS: Soprano _____ Tenor _____ Mezzo _____ Baritone _____ Alto _____ Bass _____
(please check all that apply)

Vocal Range: _____

REQUIREMENTS (check one)

- CD
- Providing Own Accompaniment Piano _____ Guitar _____
- Other instrument _____
(type of instrument)

Brief resumé of training and performances: (you may attach resumé):

Name of selections to be performed at audition:

1. _____

2. _____

Dates you are unavailable between March and September 2017:

How did you hear about the auditions? _____

Please return by **Monday, January 23, 2017** to:

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Saskatchewan Express Musical Theatre Studio
2272 Pasqua St
Regina SK S4T 4M4

Phone: (306) 522-3403 FAX: (306) 522-3410 E-mail: michele@saskatchewanexpress.com

WE WILL CONTACT YOU WITH YOUR AUDITION TIME

****PLEASE NOTE** - If you are planning to audition as **both a singer and a dancer**, please fill out **two** separate forms (one as a singer and one as a dancer).

Vocalists: Audition Date – Saturday, February 4th, 2017

Dancers: Audition Date – Sunday, February 5th, 2017

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Mailing Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: Home: _____ Cell: _____ Business: _____

E-mail: _____ Fax: _____

Parent(s) names (first & last): _____

Auditioner originally from: _____

Age: _____ Birth date: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ Hair Colour: _____

Attending School – Grade: _____ Present Occupation: _____

DANCERS: (please check all that apply)

Styles: Ballet _____ Contemporary _____ Jazz _____ Musical Theatre _____ Tap _____

Other _____

(please name)

Training: (Studios, exams, workshops, summer sessions)

Brief resumé of performances and accomplishments: (you may attach resumé)

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