

Audition Announcement

Who/Where: Mississippi Repertory Theatre located at 404 Taylor Street Corinth, MS 38834; 662-664-5678; stagemanager@msrep.org

What/When: Mississippi Repertory Theatre will hold OPEN AUDITIONS for the production of *Kentucky Spring* by Catherine Bush and Dax Dupuy. This Regional Premiere has 5 roles, 2 for women and 3 for men. Auditions will be held **SEPTEMBER 1, 2, and 5 from 5:00pm till 8:00pm. You may arrive at any time during the block.**

Actors should be prepared with a one-minute monologue and two singing pieces: one 16-bar piece in musical theatre style and one 16-bar piece in a folk or bluegrass style (*Note: This production is a Appalachian folk song production, bring this out in your audition.*) We will be taking headshots and full body shots for each auditionee, and the audition will be taped.

Description: “Maud Muller, on a summer’s day, raked the meadow sweet with hay...” Inspired by John Greenleaf Whittier’s famous poem. Becky has worked all her life to get out of the mountains. Then her grandmother Maud decides to sell the family farm, forcing Becky to confront who she is and who she wants to be. This musical fable flashes between the past and the present, revealing what might have been and what still might be. A story of love, longing, and second chances set in the beautiful Appalachian Mountains.

Role/Character Description:

- **Maud Muller Cassell** – seventy-something; hard-working mountain woman who’s ready to trade in farm life for a much easier existence in the city. Maud refused to be a burden to her granddaughter Becky, even if it means keeping a deadly secret...
- **Becky Pitchard** – Maud’s 30ish granddaughter; a lawyer who lives in the city but whose heart belongs to the mountains surrounding her grandmothers farm...though she’s only beginning to realize that. *Dance Requirement: Flat Foot*
- **Judge Henry Parker** – seventy-something; a judge who has retired from hectic city life in order to find peace in the mountains. Little does he know that the adventure of a lifetime is waiting for him just over the ridge...
- **Heck Goodson** – early thirties: Judge Parker’s ambitious farmhand who has big dreams of saving the world one Christmas tree at a time – and he’s finally found the perfect place to make that dream come true. *Dance Requirement: Flat Foot*
- **Charles “CJ” Torbett, Jr.** – 30ish; Becky’s high school sweetheart. CJ broke Becky’s heart and now seeks to win her back.

Actor Requirements:

- Must be available for evening rehearsals. A full rehearsal and performance schedule will be available at auditions.
- Must be able to sing with specific cast requirements for dance. Dance can be taught.