

The Miracle Worker

Director: Christopher H. Cherry

This is the story of how young Anne Sullivan, almost blind, taught Helen Keller, the famous deaf and blind girl, how to communicate. **Seeking actors to play the roles listed below.** The audition will consist of scenes from the play.

- **Kate** – Helen's mother, young (early 20's), sweet, loving, steeled in grief, desperate, determined
- **Captain Arthur Keller** – Helen's father, 40's, well-off, Alabama marshal, newspaper editor, gruff, emotionally reserved
- **James** – Captain Keller's son from his first marriage, indolent, smart-mouthed, tween to teens, seeks Keller's approval
- **Viney** – Keller's adult African-American maid and nanny, active, expressive
- **Aunt Ev** – Captain Keller's busy-body aunt, 50's-60's well-off, proper, pushy (*appears once per act*)
- **Martha** – African-American child, older than Helen, works for Kellers (*on stage for a few very short times*)
- **Percy** – Martha's younger brother, a little older than Helen, works for Kellers (*onstage for a few very short times and one scene*)
- **Doctor** – Elderly, delivers Helen (*appears only in opening scene, could be doubled with Anagnos*)
- **Anagnos** – Stocky, bearded administrator at Perkins Institute for Blind, wise, caring (*appears only in one scene, could be doubled with Doctor*)
- **Blind Girls** – 3-6 students at Perkins Institute, various ages 8-17, includes Beatrice (oldest, most responsible), Alice (vivacious), and Sarah (youngest, timid) – (*appear in only one scene*)
- **Voices** – All voices are actor-portrayed in tableau pantomime with pre-recorded voices, following list includes voice & number of appearances required
 - Man at state almshouse – 2 times (*can be Keller*)
 - Annie at age 9 – 4 times (*can be Martha*)
 - Boy – Annie's dead brother Jimmie, age 7, on one crutch – 5 times (*can be Percy*)
 - Doctor at state almshouse – 2 times (*can be Doctor/Anagnos*)
 - 3 Crones at state almshouse – 2 times, ghastly nurses (*can be Aunt Ev and 2 oldest Blind Girls*)
 - Anagnos – 1 time (*can be Doctor*)

Director reserves the right to ignore race in casting & double cast children. Total cast: 13-20.

Refer to Audition Scenes and show information for details