Capital Auditions

Magic Youth Theatre
AUDITION NOTICE

1. Magic Youth Theatre (MYT) has planned another exciting summer season. Last fall, Managing Director Susan Bacova commissioned local author Calvin Sweet to write a new production for our annual summer program. We are proud to present the world premiere of Mr. Sweet’s Capital Idea, July 12 through 14 on the MYT stage.

2. Capital Idea is a musical comedy concerning three teenagers who spend their summer vacation as tour guides at the State Capitol. Seventeen-year-old Parker Greene has aspirations of running for President some day. Sixteen-year-old Melanie Bigfoote dreams of becoming a television reporter, and Teddy Singleton, a freshman in college, wants to become a political speech writer. The fun begins when the Governor announces that the President of the United States and the Queen of England plan to visit the State Capitol. The Governor claims only a handful of top state employees will have the opportunity to meet the dignitaries. Immediately the three friends concoct a plan that will give them access to the Queen and the President during their stay. Songs, dances, and hilarious situations abound. The conniving threesome find themselves in one flasco after another in their attempt to meet the famous twosome.

3. Capital Idea promises to be another Magic Youth hit. Director Susan Bacova has directed the past six summer plays. For her direction of last year’s production of The Dreamers, Susan received plaudits from several area theatre critics. Reviewer Hillary Person wrote, “Susan Bacova has once again directed a masterpiece. Her actors believably age from young teens to senior citizens over the course of fifty minutes. Her attention to detail is evident in every aspect of the play, from the actors’ authentic British accents to the makeup worn by the characters through their aging process. Voices blend in harmony with the finely tuned orchestra which is adeptly led by Michael Suarez. Bacova has fabricated a rich and luxurious ensemble piece. Everything about the show works!”

4. Valley View High School’s Band Director Leo Furgeson will conduct the orchestra for Capital Idea. Furgeson has been a teacher and band director at the school for nearly 20 years. Although Susan and Leo have individually worked on musicals before, Capital Idea will be their first theatrical collaboration. LeDon Campbell has designed a marvelous stage set and will oversee its construction.

5. Susan, Leo, and LeDon promise a “capital” production. We’ll be looking for you on stage!

Audition Facts

- Performance dates: July 12, 13, and 14, 8 P.M.; July 13, 3 P.M.
- Auditions will be held on May 3, 4–7 P.M., at the MYT.
- Needed: 8 males and 5 females, 16–21 years old.
- Auditioners should prepare a short poem to recite and a song to sing. Call the theatre office to schedule an audition time.
- Orchestra auditions will be held in Valley View High School’s music room on May 3.
- For more information contact:

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1. Susan, Leo, and LeDon promise a “capital” production.

In this sentence from the passage, the word *capital* means

A  costly
B  elaborate
C  lengthy
D  outstanding

2. Which sentence from the audition notice is an opinion?

A  Last fall, Managing Director Susan Bacova commissioned local author Calvin Sweet to write a new production for our annual summer program.
B  Director Susan Bacova has directed the past six summer plays.
C  For her direction of last year's production of *The Dreamers*, Susan received plaudits from several area theatre critics.
D  Bacova has fabricated a rich and luxurious ensemble piece.

3. By quoting Hillary Pierson’s review, the author attempts to

A  show that Susan Bacova is a talented director
B  explain that Bacova and Suarez work well together
C  tell about the play, *The Dreamers*
D  convince people to see the play, *Capital Idea*
4. If you wanted to learn more about trying out for a part in a production, which of these books would be most helpful?

A  Working in the Theatre
B  A History of Musical Theatre
C  Auditioning Tips from the Pros
D  The Best Plays on Broadway

5. Which statement best summarizes paragraph 3 of the notice?

A  Susan Bacova’s actors have remarkable talent for portraying senior citizens.
B  Susan Bacova directed The Dreamers for Magic Youth Theater last year and will direct Capital Idea this year.
C  Susan Bacova is an excellent director who is employed by Magic Youth Theater.
D  Susan Bacova’s last play, The Dreamers, was remarkable, and her new play promises to meet with similar success.
English II Practice EOI Selection #1
Task-Oriented Text:
Capital Productions Flyer

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