<u>AUDITION</u> Golden West College

HAIRSPRAY

The Musical

Directed and choreographed by Martie Ramm / Musical Direction by Rick Heckman Performance Dates: April 28 - May 7, 2017 @ Golden West College Evenings @ 7:30pm / Matinees @ 2:00 pm All performances are accompanied by a live orchestra

Casting

Performers of all ethnicities and racial backgrounds are encouraged to audition. HAIRSPRAY is, after all, a musical about not judging books by their covers.

Tracy Turnblad -- Age: 15 to 20. Confident, talented, and incredibly determined. A romantic with a good heart and desire to cut up the dance floor. Always on top of the latest trends. Strong Broadway pop belter.

Edna Turnblad -- Age: 35 to 50. Tracy's boisterous and commanding mother. Played by a male in drag. She is a working housewife who has lost her confidence and dream to be a plus-size clothing designer. Must sing.

Corny Collins -- Age: 25 to 35. The charismatic host of the Corny Collins' Show. Good looking and smooth talking, he is a genuinely nice guy both on and off camera. Must sing.

Penny Pingleton -- Age: 15 to 20. Tracy's best friend and dorky sidekick. Not the brightest girl, but she has good intentions. Bursting to get free of her mother's dominating control, she falls for Seaweed with childlike curiosity. Must sing.

Velma Von Tussle -- Age: 38 to 48. Amber's mother and the director of Corny Collin's show. She is a devious taskmaster and snobby racist. The former Miss Baltimore Crabs will go to any length to ensure her daughter is the next big thing. Must sing.

Amber Von Tussle -- Age: 15 to 20. Link's girlfriend and Tracy's nemesis. She is pretty, thin, shallow, snobby, and racist. Can't dance but is expected to win Miss Baltimore Hairspray. Always feels the need to be the center of attention. Must sing.

Link Larkin -- Age: 15 to 20. The star heartthrob on Corny Collins' show. He is extremely attractive and talented. Hoping to get his big break with a recording contract, he unexpectedly falls for Tracy. Must sing. **Seaweed J. Stubbs** -- Age: 15 to 20. Tracy's classmate and friend, who is discriminated against due to his skin color. He is cocky but surprisingly lovable. Talented in song and dance. He falls for Penny. Must sing. **Little Inez** – Any age to play age 10-14. Seaweed's little sister. Becomes the hit of the Corny Collins show. Must dance.

Motormouth Maybelle -- Age: 40 to 50. Seaweed and Little Inez's mother, she also appears as the Guest DJ on the Corny Collin's Negro Day show. Big, blonde, beautiful and proud of it. She is sassy and confident. Must sing.

Wilbur Turnblad -- Age: 35 – 50. Tracy's simpleminded and kind father. He owns a joke shop and supports his daughter in spite of everything else. He also loves his wife, Edna, very much. Must sing. **Prudy Pingleton** -- Age: 35 to 50. Penny's strict mother. Very conservative, controlling, and closed minded.

Ensemble – Ages 15 – 30. Must dance and sing. Will play Council Members, Dynamites, students and all other ensemble roles.

<u>Auditions:</u> <u>Tuesday February 14 or Wednesday February 15, 2017</u>

7:00 p.m: Performers for the roles of Tracy, Seaweed, Amber, Link, Penny, Little Inez, The Dynamites, Council Members and all Male and Female Ensemble dancers/singers only

8:15pm: Principal Male and Female performers for the roles of Edna, Corny, Velma, Motormouth Maybelle, Wilbur, Prudy Pingleton, Mr. Pinky

Please bring an audition song from any Broadway musical including HAIRSPRAY. Accompanist will be provided. You will also be taught a vocal selection from the show. Bring a picture/resume (if you have one).

<u>Callbacks will be held on Thursday evening February 16 by appointment.</u>

Auditions will be held at the former KOCE Studios at Golden West College, 15751 Gothard Street at Center Avenue, Huntington Beach. Enter the campus from the Gothard Street side at the marked Amphitheater entrance. Walk along the road between the Amphitheater and the back of the Mainstage Theater until you reach the KOCE Studios just past the Amphitheater on the left.

Parking will be free for these auditions in the Gothard Street student parking lots only.

Rehearsals begin on Monday March 6 and are scheduled for Monday thru Thursday evenings from 7 pm until 10:30 pm. Cast members are called to rehearsals only when needed.

IF CAST IN THIS PRODUCTION, ALL ADULT ACTORS MUST ENROLL IN A 2-UNIT COLLEGE COURSE.

SOME GUEST ARTISTS EXEMPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE.

Additional information: http://www.gwctheater.com or mrammengle@gwc.cccd.edu

All Roles Open!