



THE ACT ONE PROJECT

death and other
girly things

**AUDITION
INFORMATION**

written by RJ Fontaine
directed by Kyle Stafford
mentored by Adam Chambers

Synopsis

Death and Other Girly Things, written by RJ Fontaine follows the story of Pam and Paul. Pam, a young divorcee, purchases a replica of a baby's skeleton from the 1800's. She goes viral for this, thus catching the attention Dr. Paul Kostopolous, a professor at Yale university for funerary and mortuary studies.

The two travel across the United States interviewing women on thoughts and experiences of death and grieving. Pam's family struggle with issues regarding trauma, sobriety, and heartbreak.

This dark-comedy covers topics and subjects such as death, trauma, drug abuse, and grief. Please use this to help select audition pieces.

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Character Breakdown

Pam - LEAD. Young divorcee with an unusual sense of hope. Ability to explore emotion and really express emotion. Incredible comedic moments. Drama/comedy skills needed.

Dr. Paul Kostopolous - LEAD. Young professor at Yale with a quirky style. Smart, knowledgable, and intelligent.

Shirley - SUPPORTING. Pam's mother. Southern. Plucky and reliant on her cane.

Martha - SUPPORTING. Pam's older sister. Southern. Exhausted, trying to connect with child.

Mary - SUPPORTING. Pam's younger sister. Southern. Influencer. Decidedly worldly.

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Jimmy - SUPPORTING. Pam's younger brother. Southern. Feral, but kind.

Brian - SUPPORTING. Martha's husband. Southern. An alcoholic.

Jed - FEATURED. Pam's estranged father. Southern. Problematic.

Michael - FEATURED. Pam's ex husband.

Faith-Lynn - FEATURED. Hokey hometown news reporter.

Charlean - FEATURED. Pro-lifer. Earnest.

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Funeral Director - FEATURED. Serious. Honest.

Collector - FEATURED. Matter-of-fact. Blunt.

Late Night Host - FEATURED. Funny, attention seeking.

Diamond - FEATURED. A hard-edged pageant coach. Physical, strong dancer. Hardass but cares for her students.

Lirah - FEATURED. A colorful art-school drop out. Expressive, honest, and truthful.

Dylan - FEATURED. A socially-inept hacker queen. Smart, witty.

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Bob - FEATURED. A "regular" guy.

Roberta - FEATURED. Bob's wife. An aerobics instructor.

Violet - FEATURED. Pam's aunt. Campy, trailer-park glam.

Hannah - FEATURED. A mortician. Intricate, complex.

Bartender - FEATURED. Michael's new fiancée. Sweet.

Margot - FEATURED. New Yorker with... boyfriends.

Doctor - A normal medical professional.

*Featured characters will most likely be doubled.

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Self Tape Information

INFORMATION:

1. Send in a self-tape of yourself performing a 1-2 minute contemporary monologue.
 - a. Please slate with NAME, AGE, WHAT YOU'RE PERFORMING and WHERE YOU'RE BASED (Time-zones are fine)
2. Fill out the Google Form in our bio to submit your self-tape!

Monologue-wise, we're looking for a 1-2 minute contemporary piece. This show is a dark-comedy so both dramatic and comedic pieces are gladly encouraged. Stay away from pieces that are child-ish. This show is real, deep, and mature.

DUE DATE: Friday, March 26 at 11:59 PM PST.

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thank you so much!

WE ARE SO EXCITED TO START THIS PROJECT :)