

**Casting Call for Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas
Short Film, "Lightning Heart"**

Production title: Lightning Heart
Union / Non-Union: Non-Union
Production Type: Independent
Project length: Short Film (15 minutes)
Project format: HD
Posted on: Thursday, March 9, 2017
Production location: North Dallas Area
Production Company: Dallas Film Crew
Company website: <https://www.dallasfilmcrew.org/>
Director: Ryan Weaver
Producer: Mia Parker
Assistant Producer: Prince Will
Casting Director: Mia Parker & Prince Will
Audition Location: Submit info / videos to Prince Will
Shooting Location: Gainesville Area and North Dallas Area
Email: Prince Will - pwill332@gmail.com
Compensation: No; food & drinks will be provided on set



KEY DATES

Auditions: Submissions accepted until 03 /17/2017
Call Backs: Monday, March 20, 2017 by 10:00 PM

Shooting Starts: April 1, 2017 (Weekends only - Saturday and Sunday - no shooting April 15 / 16)
Shooting Ends: April 30, 2017

Synopsis:

"Lightning Heart" is a film about Jesse and Larry, son and father. It showcases the unconditional love a son has for a father during the daily routine of caring for a loved one and the heartache of losing a parent. After losing a parent, how do you begin take the next step forward?

Character BIOS

[JESSE] [GENDER: MALE] [AGE: 18-22]

Jesse has been trapped in a depressing world of parental care for his father for many years since his mother passed away. Despite his gloomy home-life he tends to his father in a jovial, optimistic manner. The devastating loss of his father takes a bitter toll on him until a friend unexpectedly helps him make his first steps forward in a life that's now his own. Jesse carries the dialogue in most of the scenes with Larry.

[LARRY] [GENDER: MALE] [AGE: 50-60]

Larry has no lines. He is a silent yet major role. Must excel at portraying emotions and inner thoughts without speaking.

Larry slipped into a deep depression after the loss of his wife and lifetime companion many years ago. Now he's utterly lost and mute to the world around him, neglecting even the most basic needs of life. He barely acknowledges his son and his surroundings, desperately hanging onto the memories of the life he once had, terrified and ashamed of being a shell of the man he once was.

[CASHIER] [GENDER: FEMALE] [AGE: 45-50]

Local grocery store cashier who knows everyone in town, including Jesse and Larry. She's friendly and sympathetic to Jesse's plight and acts as a motherly figure toward him.

[JOY] [GENDER: FEMALE] [AGE: 19-21]

Joy works as a clerk at the local movie theater and knows Jesse and Larry because they are regulars. She's friendly, cute, and a little bit ditzy at times. Jesse likes her but can't see beyond his own issues to realize that she likes him as well.

EXTRAS:

Neighbor (Male or Female, Age 30-60, walking dog) + Dog
Man (Male, Age 30-50, jogging)
Boy (Male, Age 8-12, riding bicycle)
Little Girl (Female, Age 5-8, laughs as she's getting tickled)
Little Boy (Male, Age 5-8, tickling little girl)
2 Women in jogging suits (Female, Age 30-50, jogging)
Woman (Female, Age 25-40, pushing stroller)
Baby (Male or Female, Age 3-18 Months, in stroller)
Grocery Store Customer 1 (Male or Female, Age 30-70)
Grocery Store Customer 2 (Female, Age 55 to 65)
Theater Customer (Male or Female, Age 25-60)
Theater Ticket Taker (Male, Age 20-40)
2 Women (Female, Age 18-22, friends of Joy)