

Audition Information:

The Governor's Family by Beatrix Christian – director Tony Llewellyn-Jones

The Play: From the Award winning writer of the film *Jindabyne*, television's *White Collar Blue*, and *MDA*, and plays including *Fred*, *Blue Murder* and *Old Masters*.

Sydney 1897. Government House. A nation of colonies is on the verge of federation. The newly appointed Governor Mountgarret is coming to grips with representing Her Majesty Queen Victoria. His family can barely leave the sanctuary of the House. Will the public become aware of their secrets and dysfunction? Beatrix Christian's remarkable play explores what might have been not that long ago. No other Australian play has dealt with such a time and place. The ghosts of our colonial past cannot be forgotten. Vice-Regal secrets warrant attention at any time, even fictional ones.

Audition dates are 9, 10 and 11 December from 5 – 9pm at REP, 3 Repertory Lane Acton.

Rehearsals will begin from 8 May 2020, being held initially on weekends.

Playing ages are listed next to the characters, and are a little flexible.

The director would like you to be familiar with the script. Specific pages have been selected from the play for each character. Auditionees do not have to memorise these – they will be provided with the scripts.

Scripts are available from Theatre 3 – Mon-Fri 10am – 4pm except Public Holidays – for a \$5 deposit, refundable on return of the script at audition.

Bookings are through Canberra REP – auditions@canberrarep.org.au or 62571950 during office hours.

Audition information below

Characters:

Howard Mountgarret – Approximately 40s to 60s

Helena Mountgarret – Approximately 36

Gerald Mountgarret – approximately late teens

Lara Mountgarret - approximately late teens

Frances Pod – approximately 16

Tammey Lee Mackenzie – approximately 20s to 40s

Photographer – same actor as Tammey Lee

The character of Frances is indigenous. We encourage indigenous actors to audition. It is our preference that the role be cast as written.

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