

WANTED: Local Actors!

Encore Players Community Theatre is extending the casting call for *The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance*. Another opportunity to audition is this Wednesday, March 9, at 7:00p at the Ulysses Philomathic Library on Main Street, Trumansburg. (Park and enter behind the building)
Production dates are April 28-May 1, 2016..

In addition to some minor roles, we are specifically looking to cast a male actor of color, age 18-45, to play the part of Reverend Jim.

Here are the character details:

Ransome Foster – 30-45 - A lawyer from New York who finds himself in a small town in the American west during the late 19th century. He is well-educated, well-read and enjoys sharing his knowledge. Considered a “tenderfoot” by the local community, he is somewhat arrogant, yet also compassionate. He believes in doing the right thing even if he puts himself in danger. He can be stubborn, and he naively believes that law and order is the solution to settling differences.

Hallie Jackson – 25-40 - A single woman saloon owner in a small town in the American west during the late 19th century. She’s a strong-minded, rough talking girl, who inherited the bar from her parents. Her older brothers have been killed in gun battles and her only “family” is the Reverend Jim whom she grew up with and who works the saloon with her. She puts on a tough exterior and can be gruff. She is a no-nonsense business person who also has a caring and compassionate side to her. There is an inner beauty that attracts the men who are brave enough to pursue her.

Bert Barricune – 35-50 - A true western cowboy and gunslinger. He is confident and tough. He has a reputation as being an excellent marksman and gunfighter. A man of few words, beneath his rough exterior he is a decent person who has compassion for his fellow human beings. He has been in love with Hallie for some time, although he is unable to fully express his emotions.

Jim ‘The Reverend’ Mosten – 18-45 - Orphaned as a child by his African-American parents, Jim was then adopted by the Jackson family and grew up as a brother to Hallie. Together Jim and Hallie operate the saloon. He is wise, bright, and possesses an inner calmness that makes him easy to fall in love with. His reserve is more from being observant than from aloofness.

Liberty Valance – 30-40 - Liberty is an outlaw whose gentlemanly charms belie his hate and anger. He revels in his reputation of being feared and does not hesitate to intimidate others. He is terrifyingly unpredictable and smart enough to avoid arrest. A firm believer in the law of the gun, he uses it whenever he deems it necessary.

Marshal Johnson – 50-60 - The Marshal is the local sheriff. He is a lawman in name only. While he boasts of keeping order in his town, he avoids challenges and is a coward. He often can find an excuse for not going after bad guys.

Jake Dowitt – 25-40 - Jake is an enthusiastic reporter for the small local paper. He takes his work very seriously and is earnest about getting the big scoop. He is exuberant about the opportunity to meet and interview a prestigious senator.

Also casting “extras,” as mourners, cowboys, and townspeople. Please contact director Doug Lockwood at: dlockwo2@twcny.rr.com or by phone at (970) 846-6940 to make an appointment if you cannot make the Wednesday time.

Please share with anyone who might be interested in being a part of this production.

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