

# **Shine Theatre Video Audition Guidelines**

**Auditions** for Shine Theatre's production of *The Prince of Egypt: The Musical* are open to ages 8 and up. **Video auditions are due by end of day, May 30th.** 

**Callbacks** will be held in person on June 10th and 11th, with a possible additional session on June 12th, if needed.

Performance dates: November 7th-9th

We welcome performers of all ages, backgrounds, and experience levels to bring this extraordinary story to life. Whether you're a seasoned performer or stepping onto the stage for the first time, there's a place for you in this production. When your audition video is ready to upload, complete your registration at **ShineTheatre.org**.

## **VIDEO AUDITION REQUIREMENTS**

- Begin your video with a slate stating your name, age, height, and the pieces you will be performing.
- Sing 32 measures of a song from *The Prince of Egypt: The Musical* that best showcases your vocal ability and storytelling skills.
- Perform a one-minute monologue that is memorized and age-appropriate.

#### SONG SUGGESTIONS

For Men:

 "Footprints on the Sand" - Character: Moses - An introspective solo where Moses contemplates his identity and destiny. This piece allows performers to showcase emotional depth and a strong vocal range. • "Always On Your Side" - Character: Ramses and Moses - A duet reflecting the complex relationship between Ramses and Moses. Performing a section of this song can highlight your ability to convey conflict and camaraderie.

## For Women:

- "Dance to the Day" Character: Tzipporah A spirited and rhythmic number where Tzipporah expresses her longing for freedom. This song is excellent for showcasing dynamic vocal abilities and stage presence.
- "Heartless" Character: Nefertari A powerful solo that delves into Nefertari's inner turmoil and emotions. It offers an opportunity to display dramatic interpretation and vocal strength.

## For Children

- "When You Believe" Characters: Miriam, Tzipporah, and Ensemble An uplifting song about faith and miracles. Children can perform the opening section, which is suitable for showcasing clear and innocent vocals.
- "Deliver Us" Character: Yocheved, Queen Tuya, Young Miriam, and Ensemble - The opening number depicting the Hebrews' plea for deliverance. Young performers can focus on the segments sung by Young Miriam, highlighting youthful sincerity and vocal clarity.

## **ADDITIONAL TIPS**

- Character Alignment: Choose a song that resonates with the character you're auditioning for or one that best showcases your suitability for a particular role.
- Vocal Strengths: Select a piece that highlights your vocal strengths, including range, control, and emotional expression.
- Preparation: Ensure you are comfortable with the song's lyrics and melody.
  Practice thoroughly to deliver a confident and polished performance.

## **RESOURCES**

- Sheet Music: Official sheet music for these songs can be found in <u>The Prince</u> of Egypt: A New Musical Vocal Selections.
- Original Cast Recording: Listening to the original cast recordings can provide valuable insights into the style and interpretation of each song.

First time doing a video submission — or even auditioning? Don't worry! We want you to be successful and feel confident. Just do your best, and have fun sharing your talents with us!

#### **VIDEO FRAMING**

- Don't film too far away aim for framing from your waist up for songs, your chest/shoulders up for monologues.
- Center yourself with a little room above your head.

### **BACKGROUND**

- Stand in front of a blank wall (light gray, beige, or white is great)
- Keep it simple no clutter or posters behind you!

#### LIGHTING

- Make sure you're in a well-lit area bright and even!
- Face a window if you can or use soft lights indoors.
- You should be facing the light, the camera should be facing away from the light)
- Avoid dark shadows or being backlit.

## SOUND

- Be in a quiet space for clean, clear audio.
- For songs, you can sing along with an instrumental (no vocal) track

## **CLOTHING**

- Wear solid colors, no patterns, logos, or neon.
- Look polished but be yourself no costumes!

#### **EYE LINE**

 Look just above or a little off the side of the camera, like talking or singing to a scene partner.

## **PERFORMANCE**

- Be genuine, connected, and truthful.
- Act big enough for the stage, natural enough for the screen.

## START WITH A "SLATE"

- Say your name, height, piece and show title.
- Example: "Hi, I'm Taylor Morgan, 5'6", performing 'Burn' from Hamilton."

## **FILE NAME**

- Save your video as FirstNameLastName\_ProjectTitle
- Example: TaylorMorgan\_Burn\_Hamilton.mp4

## **BEFORE YOU SEND IT**

- Pause for a moment before you start and after you finish.
- Recheck the audition instructions.

You've got this — we can't wait to see your audition!