



Drama Track INFORMATION

- CMI Drama Track is a concentrated course of study for students who would like to develop their theatrical skills as an expression of worship. Instructional time will be dedicated to reinforcing technique and preparing for performance.
- Drama Track is available for CMI campers ages 16 & older or any camper who has passed the theory exam.
- Drama Track is a two period class meeting from 9:45 – 11:30 AM each instructional day
- Members of the Drama Track will also participate in courses in their ‘major’ (Instrumental or Vocal) and will complete all necessary auditions and theory placement tests during the CMI registration process. Those who pass the drama audition will not be required to take theory.
- Acceptance into the CMI Drama program will be **by audition only**. The provided materials should be prepared in advance and memorization is strongly encouraged as it will give the best indication of your ability.
- Auditions will take place at Wonderland Camp during CMI registration and Drama Track participation will be **limited to 10 students**.
 - **Audition materials can be downloaded at cmitheplacetobe.org**

INSTRUCTIONS: CMI DRAMA AUDITIONS

Prepare the monologue on the following page for your audition.

Memorization is STRONGLY encouraged.

A sample audition sheet is attached but listed below are some of the areas in which you will be evaluated:

- Memorization
- Knowledge and use of stage directions
- Projection
- Inflection
- Eye contact
- Believability (connect emotionally to the text – make us believe you)

Note: Please wear comfortable clothes to the audition.



CMI 2017 - DRAMA AUDITION MONOLOGUE

Note: This monologue extends to a second page.

Necessary props will be provided at audition

TRUST GOD

by Barbara Nelson

On stage is a table or stand with an empty bowl labeled "God." As the sketch begins, the SPEAKER enters carrying a bowl full of Ping-Pong balls labeled "Self."

SPEAKER:

(Studies the bowl labeled "God" a moment before pouring all of the Ping-Pong balls from the bowl labeled "Self" into it. Places the empty bowl on the table with much satisfaction)

There, God! I finally did it. I finally placed all my trust in you. Yes, I know. I know I should've done it a long while back, but better late than never, right? Right.

(Pause) **Well? What now? What do I do?**

(Leaning forward to hear God speak) **Wait? Okay. I can do that.**

(Leaning forward again) **Wait patiently?**

(Slight pause) **All right. I'll wait patiently. No problem.**

(Whistles and rocks back and forth a moment; leans forward to talk to God) **Waiting patiently.**

(Continues to whistle and rock until he or she is hit with a thought; stops rocking and whistling, and carefully examines the two bowls)

God...what if this really isn't you? You know I've missed you before. Several times. What if this is just another one of those times? You remember when I...

Oh! There I go. I'm doing it again, right? Doubting myself. Doubting you. I'm sorry, God. It won't happen again. I promise.

(Continues to whistle and rock until he or she is hit with a thought; stops rocking and whistling, and carefully examines the two bowls) **God? Exactly how long am I going to have to wait? I mean, this isn't a little thing I'm waiting for. Actually, it's a pretty big thing. Not something that'll happen overnight, I'm sure. I was just wondering how long I would I have to, you know, ward off the funny looks and the whispering behind my back while you bring this thing to pass. You know how people can be.**

(Looks at the bowls) **Maybe I am setting my sights a little too high, thinking too big. Maybe I should be just a little more realistic.**

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(Places some of the balls from the bowl marked "God" into the bowl marked "Self") **Just a little. There. That's better.**

(Pause) **You know, that's still a lot.** *(Putting more balls from the "God" bowl into the "Self" bowl)* **You know what they say, "God helps those who help themselves." That's better. More...comfortable.**

(Exasperated) **I said I wasn't going to do it again, and here I am, doing it again. God, I know you must get so tired of me. Always messing up! Hearing the Word, but not doing the Word, right?**

I don't know. Maybe I'm not as ready for this as I thought I was.

(Pours the last of the balls in the bowl marked "God" back into the bowl marked "Self")

Maybe I'm just not ready at all.

(Picks up the bowl marked "Self" and exits.)