



Come audition to be a part of Young Actors' Theatre's production of Junie B. Jones!

Auditions are open to anyone in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>

**Artistic Team:**

Director and Choreographer: Katie Wallace-Coppo  
Assistant Director and Stage Manager: Alicia Campen  
Music Director: Matt Ignacio

**Workshop:**

Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-7:30pm  
Cost: \$30 in advance, \$40 day of  
Sign up here: <http://www.yatsandiego.org/tickets>

**Auditions:**

Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-9:00pm  
Cost: \$275 in advance, \$300 day of  
(Scholarships are available, see our website for more information)  
Sign up here: <http://www.yatsandiego.org/tickets>

**Callbacks:**

Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
1:00-3:30pm

**Rehearsals:**

First full company rehearsal will be Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 9:00-2:00pm  
Monday & Wednesdays, 5:30-8:30pm and Saturday 9:00-2:00pm  
A detailed rehearsal schedule will be available after auditions

**Production Dates:**

May 11-21, 2023 -- 10 performances  
May 11, 12, 13, 18, 19 & 20 at 7:00pm  
May 13, 14, 20 & 21 at 2:00pm

**Rehearsal & Production Location:**

ENCORE! Theatre  
9620 Campo Rd.  
Spring Valley, CA 91977

**COVID and Mask requirements:**

We are following the CDC & CA guidelines, masks are not required. Also, if you are sick in any way, at any time, we ask that you do not come to the theater and reach out to the artistic team via telephone or email.

Young Actors' Theatre is committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion in all aspects of our organization. We encourage people of all races, ethnicities, religions, LGBTQIA+, Gender non-conforming artists and the differently abled to submit for auditions.

We would love to cast everyone who auditions, however, if we receive too many audition submissions, we may not be able to cast everyone. If we are unable to cast you, we will refund your production fee within 5-7 business days. We do NOT offer refunds after casting, for ANY reason unless we are unable to cast you in the show.

**Additional information/requirements:**

Auditions are open to anyone in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>. Please be prepared to sing a song that best suits your vocal range, for 1 minute. You need to provide your own music accompaniment by either phone, mp3 player or iPod. No accapella singing (without background music). Please bring your resume (if available) and a headshot or photo. Any photo will work, headshot, school picture, selfie, anything, but please bring one with you. You must select an audition time online here: <http://www.yatsandiego.org/tickets> or you can come to the theater and pick up a packet to complete.

We have a 15-minute ticket sales requirement. The tickets will be \$15.00 each with a cast code.

With every production we do some kind of fundraiser as well. These tickets are \$5 each and each cast member has a required 10 tickets to sell. The fundraiser for Junie B. Jones is an amazing Gift Card opportunity drawing.

We are a volunteer-based organization and we need help from everyone! Each cast member/parent is required to serve a minimum of 20 volunteer hours during the course of the production. We need assistance in the following committees: Costumes, Sets, Props, and Raffle, and we will need performance day volunteers in the areas of Concessions, Promotions, and Usher. Let us know if you would like to chair a committee. The chairperson is responsible for overseeing the committee members, developing a "To Do" list and making sure everything gets done. All committee chairs will receive a FREE Parent Pass. If you would like to be the committee chair, you will receive one free parent pass, \$25 value for your leadership. For those who are unable to help at all, you have the option of buying out of this commitment for the price of \$200. You must however be totally responsible for the functions of your committee.

**Costumes:**

Every cast member will have their costumes provided by YAT. However, there may be specific pieces that would be required for you to purchase, that you would also get to keep. Examples of these items are: shoes, under dressing, tights, socks, leotards, regular everyday clothes, etc.

For more information please contact us!

Website: [www.yatsandiego.org](http://www.yatsandiego.org)

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## **Junie B. Jones Description:**

Sneak a peek into the "Top-Secret Personal Beeswax Journal" of the outspoken and lovable Junie B. Jones! It's Junie B.'s first day of first grade, and a lot of things have changed for her: Junie's friend, Lucille, doesn't want to be her best pal anymore and, on the bus, Junie B. makes friends with Herb, the new kid at school. Also, Junie has trouble reading the blackboard and her teacher, Mr. Scary, thinks she may need glasses. Throw in a friendly cafeteria lady, a kickball tournament and a "Top-Secret Personal Beeswax Journal," and first grade has never been more exciting.

Featuring a tremendously loveable character and fun-filled songs, Junie B. Jones will capture your audience members' hearts just as the books captivated an entire generation of students. The small cast, minimal design needs and performance accompaniment tracks make this an ideal show for theatres looking to tour schools or with strong education programs.

## **Character Breakdown**

### **Junie B. Jones**

A quirky, energetic first grader with comedic flair. Loves having adventures and writing about them in her journal. Gets upset when things don't go her way. Wildly precocious, yet completely endearing.

### **Lucille**

Junie B.'s former best friend, also in first grade. The ultimate child diva. Rich girl, well-dressed. In Mr. Scary's class with Junie B. Enthusiastic. Can be double cast as BOBBI JEAN PIPER and JOSE.

### **Herb**

Junie B.'s new best friend. A cute boy, slightly shy. Endearing and charming. Can be double cast as CHENILLE.

### **May**

Another first grader in Mr. Scary's class with Junie B. Bossy, know-it-all. Junie's nemesis. Can be double cast with MOMMY and GRACE.

### **Sheldon**

Another first grader in Mr. Scary's class with Junie B. Nerdy, lactose intolerant, and gets a bit of stage fright. Excited about playing music. Can be double cast with CAMILLE and LENNIE.

### **Camille**

Lucille's new best friend and Chenille's twin sister. A follower. Can be double cast with SHELDON and LENNIE.

**Chenille**

Lucille's other new best friend and Camille's twin sister. Coordinated and cute. Can be double cast with HERB.

**Grace**

Junie B.'s other former best friend. She rides the bus with Junie B. and is now best friends with Bobbi Jean Piper. Can be double cast with MOMMY and MAY.

**Bobbi Jean Piper**

Grace's new best friend. Can be double cast with LUCILLE and JOSE.

**Jose**

Another first grader in Mr. Scary's class. Speaks both Spanish and English. Can be double cast with LUCILLE and BOBBI JEAN PIPER.

**Lennie**

Another first grader. Can be double cast with SHELDON and CAMILLE.

**Mr. Scary**

Junie B.'s first grade teacher, a warm man, despite his name. Can be double cast with GLADYS GUTZMAN and DADDY.

**Mother**

Junie B.'s mom. Exasperated, but understanding. Can be double cast with GRACE and MAY.

**Daddy**

Junie B.'s dad. Encouraging and knows how to juggle. Can be double cast with MR. SCARY and MRS. GUTZMAN.

**Gladys Gutzman Dancers**

Featured dancers for The kids' favorite lunch lady at Junie B.'s elementary school, also known as "Gladys Gutzman, Queen of Snacks."

**Kickball Team**

Featured acting role at the biggest tournament in first grade!

**First Grade Ensemble**

Junie B. Jones classmates- opportunities for speaking lines.

If you are interested in making a donation of any amount to help assist with student scholarships, please email our office [frontdesk@yatsandiego.org](mailto:frontdesk@yatsandiego.org)

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