Auditioning for “Our Town” and/or “The Fall of the House of Usher”: FAQs

Q. What do I need to prepare for my audition?
A. Great Question! It’s easy. A copy of the “selected audition text” will be emailed to you when you sign up to attend an audition session. Copies are also available outside room 114/115 Stephens Hall. Pick ONE of the suggested short monologues. Learn it. You do not have to memorize it, but you should be very comfortable/familiar with it. (If you want to be an overachiever and memorize it, feel free!) Upon preregistration, an audition form will be emailed to you. Fill it out in advance. Then show up to your audition with your completed audition form, dressed to move. It is group audition. We will play games, do group work and you will be asked to share your text/monologue. See, fun and easy.

Q. What does “dressed to move” mean?
A. Simply wear what you would wear to work out. Remember, easy to move. Don’t worry about dressing to impress. Dress to roll around on the floor.

Q. Will there be callbacks?
A. Yes. Callbacks will be on Thursday, September 8. If you are called back, you will be contacted by email and the callback list will be posted on the bulletin board. For the callback, you will read scenes and monologues from the plays. They will be sent to you. Additional instructions will be posted and emailed as well. If you do not get called back, it doesn’t mean that you have not been cast!

Q. When will the cast list be posted?
A. The cast list for “The Fall of the House of Usher” should be posted by Friday, September 9; the cast list for “Our Town” by Saturday, September 10.

Q. Can I be cast in both shows? Do I have to audition for both shows?
A. Yes, you can be cast in both shows. You do not have to audition for both shows. On the audition form — and remember, you must fill out the form — there is a place to note whether you would like to be considered for one or both shows. There is also a place to indicate whether you would be comfortable being cast in only one show or both. You will not be penalized for whatever your preference is! Please be honest!

Q. When are rehearsals?
A. Information about rehearsals can be found in the audition form that will be sent to you once you sign up. Rehearsals are generally in the evening and on weekends. Not all actors are required for every rehearsal. However, all scheduling conflicts must be noted (in advance) on the audition form!

Q. Are the plays available to read?
A. So glad you asked! I am already impressed with your enthusiasm. There are copies on reserve in the library. “Our Town” is actually pretty easily accessible, but the adaptation of “The Fall of the House of Usher” is brand new, so the only available copy is on reserve at the library. You can read them at the library on a 2-hour reserve.