

**The Star Theatre Company Presents
The Music Man**

Character Breakdown

Book, music and lyrics by Meredith Willson; story by Meredith Willson and Franklin Lacey

One of the greatest Broadway musicals of all time! When lovable, smooth-talking Harold Hill comes marching into town, you know there's going to be trouble in River City. He promises to teach the town's children how to play in a magnificent marching band as part of a big con but falling in love with Marian the Librarian wasn't part of the deal. When Marian tries to expose him as a swindler, Hill sets out to win her heart and save his hide. Will the town get wise to Hill or will Marian make an honest man out of him? This wonderful slice of Americana will leave your entire family humming such all-time favorites as "Ya Got Trouble," "Shipooopi," "Goodnight Ladies," "Gary, Indiana," "Til There Was You," and the show-stopping "Seventy-Six Trombones." Winner of 5 Tony Awards including Best Musical.

Character Breakdown

(Character ages listed are guidelines only. If you're not that age, but you can play that age, please audition)

ADULT ROLES:

HAROLD HILL: 25-45

Leading man, charismatic and charming, good actor, strong singer/mover. Tap dancing skills are a plus.

MARIAN PAROO: 25-35

Leading lady, excellent voice, strong actress, strong dancer, confident. Tap dancing skills are a plus.

MARCELLUS WASHBURN: 25-45

Character actor, comic timing, sings and dances. Tap dancing skills are a plus or must be willing to learn to tap dance.

MRS. PAROO: 45-55

Mother to Marian and Winthrop, good actress, singer, capable of Irish brogue

MAYOR SHINN: 40+

Character actor, comic timing. Sings with ensemble

EULALIE MACKECKNIE SHINN: 30-55

Character actress, comic timing, good singer, moves well

THE BARBERSHOP QUARTET: 25+

**The Star Theatre Company Presents
The Music Man**

Character Breakdown

EWART DUNLOP, OLIVER HIX, JACEY SQUIRES, OLIN BRITT

Important singing roles, capable of holding harmonies, character acting

Olin–Bass: A – High D

Oliver–Baritone: E – High F sharp

Ewart–Baritone: E – F sharp

Jacey–Tenor: B – High A

CHARLIE COWELL: 25-45

Character actor, strong speaking voice. Sings with ensemble

ETHEL TOFFELMIER: 25+

Character actress, good singer and moves well. Tap dancing skills a plus.

ALMA HIX, MAUD DUNLOP, MRS. SQUIRES: 25+

Pick-A-Little ladies core group, strong singers, comic timing, move well, married to 3 of Quartet members All: D – High D

CONSTABLE LOCKE (DOUBLES WITH TRAIN CONDUCTOR) –

Character actor; sings with ensemble

ADULT ENSEMBLE: All Ages

Sing and/or dance

TEEN ROLES:

TOMMY DJILAS: 15-20

Handsome, teen heartthrob, good actor and strong dancer, sings with ensemble. Tap dancing skills a plus.

ZANEETA SHINN: 14-18

Excellent dancer, Mayor's daughter, love interest to Tommy, sings with ensemble. Tap dancing skills a plus.

TEEN ENSEMBLE / YOUNG ADULT: 15+

Boys and Girls. Sing, and/or dance

CHILDREN'S ROLES:

WINTHROP PAROO: 8-12

Young, shy son to Mrs. Paroo/brother to Marian, capable of lisp, sings and dances. Must have unchanged voice.

AMARYLLIS: 8-14

**The Star Theatre Company Presents
The Music Man**

Character Breakdown

Good actress, same size/age as Winthrop or slightly older/taller, slightly bratty , sings and dances

GRACIE SHINN: 10-13

Good singer, Mayor's younger daughter

CHILDREN'S ENSEMBLE: 8-15

Sing and dance