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Volunteer Actors needed for 4th Line Theatre's 2018 Season

Millbrook, ON... Have you always wanted to act onstage? Want to be part of an epic outdoor production in your community? Have you ever wondered how 4th Line productions come to life? Interested in learning new skills and working alongside professional actors, directors and choreographers? 4th Line Theatre is looking for volunteers to perform in its productions of Ian McLachlan and Robert Winslow's ***Crow Hill: The Telephone Play*** and Judith Thompson's ***Who Killed Snow White?*** this summer.

Auditions and interviews will be held on **Sunday, February 25th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at **Classroom #1** on the main floor in the **Peterborough Collegiate Building** located at 201 McDonnell Street, Peterborough, ON, K9H 2W1. People will be seen in order of arrival. Even if you have limited acting experience but are interested in bringing our region's history to life on stage, consider auditioning. *Previous acting experience is not required.*

"Volunteers have been the cornerstone of 4th Line Theatre's creative activities for 26 years since its inception in 1992," states Managing Artistic Director Kim Blackwell. "This is where the community and art meet. This is a real opportunity to express yourself, learn and grow and join our team."

Crow Hill: The Telephone Play

When a local doctor opens the first telephone service in the area, fifteen-year-old Alice takes on the job of switchboard operator. This decision will direct the course of her life for the next thirty years. ***Crow Hill: The Telephone Play*** has been praised by critics and audiences alike for its deeply moving portrayal of life in early 20th century rural Ontario. This play is a poignant and humorous look at love, friendship and community in a world where technological changes can irrevocably alter the fabric of society.

For *Crow Hill: The Telephone Play*, 4th Line is looking for five child volunteers, two women and a number of musicians

Who Killed Snow White?

Serena is a normal fifteen-year-old girl. She loves her mom and dad, she has loyal friends and she is struggling to find herself and her place in an increasingly complex world. An act of violence shatters Serena's world and shakes a community to its core, pitting young people and neighbours against each other as sides are taken and lines are drawn. This 'ripped from the headlines' play is an unflinching exploration of social media and cyberbullying among today's youth. Playwright Judith Thompson dives deep into the heart of our culture to examine the roots of sexual violence and the culture of toxic

masculinity we struggle to understand. This 4th Line Theatre world premiere features a large cast, youth chorus and elements of the epic and the intimate. Trigger Warning: Mature Content. 14+.

For *Who Killed Snow White?*, 4th Line is looking for volunteers of all ages, particularly young people for general auditions. 4th Line is also looking to cast four larger roles in *Who Killed Snow White?* that require advance preparation. 4th Line is looking for two girls aged 10-13, and two boys aged 10-13.

4th Line Theatre is committed to diverse and inclusive casting. We encourage artists of all backgrounds to apply.

If you would like to be considered for one of these roles, please contact 4th Line Theatre's Artistic Administrator Kelsey Powell at 705-932-4505 or kelsey@4thlinetheatre.on.ca for further instructions.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

If the limelight does not interest you, 4th Line Theatre also needs people to assist our front of house staff to greet and seat the audience (and see the shows for free!), and we are always looking for volunteers to help backstage with makeup and hair, costumes, set and prop painting, running crew and other production tasks. Come to the auditions, call 705-932-4448, drop into the 4th Line Theatre Administrative Centre and Box Office during business hours or email us at admin@4thlinetheatre.on.ca to apply to be a volunteer.

Attached Photos:

1. From 4th Line Theatre's 2017 production of David S. Craig's *Bombers: Reaping the Whirlwind*. Photo by Rebekah Littlejohn Photography.

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