

## AVENUE Q - NON-EQUITY VIDEO SUBMISSION NOTICE

Williams Street Repertory is accepting video submissions for an understudy track in their upcoming Fall 2024 production of AVENUE Q. Williams Street Rep is committed to increasing diversity & inclusion in the American Theater. We welcome all types, ages, ethnicities, genders & actors with disabilities to audition.

### AVENUE Q

Music & Lyrics by Jeff Marx & Robert Lopez

Book by Jeff Whitty

Directed by Joe Lehman

Music Direction by James Mablin

Rehearsals: August 12th - September 12th, 2024

Tech Week: September 8th - 12th from 6pm - 11pm

Performances: September 13th - October 20th, 2024

Performance Schedule: Thursdays at 2pm, Fridays at 8pm, Saturdays at 2pm & 7pm, and Sundays at 2pm. Please note that there will not be a 7pm performance on Saturday, September 21st and there will not be a 2pm performance on Saturday, September 28th, 2024.

**SEEKING:** Local Chicago/Crystal Lake Non-Equity singer/actor for the External Swing in AVENUE Q (see breakdown). This external swing will understudy the following parts: Gary, Offhand Nicky, Offhand Trekkie, Bad Idea Bear #2, and Mrs. T. Please see the character breakdown; Encouraging BIPOC actors to submit. Experience in puppetry is a plus, but not required.

**PREPARE:** Please prepare the material attached in this link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OZMXC9trSyr0xJ7wn0j8TA7OFhOmb80k?usp=sharing>

- Please upload one video to YouTube and email an unlisted link with your headshot and resume to [casting@wsrep.org](mailto:casting@wsrep.org).
- Shoot HORIZONTALLY (wide screen), not vertically. The camera should be stationary. No selfie videos, please.
- Include an opening FULL BODY SLATE with your NAME, HEIGHT, LOCATION (local talent preferred) and REPRESENTATION.

### CHARACTER BREAKDOWN:

**Puppet Characters:** These characters are puppets operated by puppeteers. A variety of types of puppets are used and puppeteers may play multiple characters at different times.

Nicky: A bit of a slacker who lives with Rod, Vocal range B2 - B4

Trekkie Monster: A reclusive creature obsessed by the internet, Vocal Range Bflat2 - E flat 4

The Bad Idea Bears: Two snuggly, cute teddy-bear types, Vocal Range Bflat 3 to G4

Mrs. T.: Ancient, Kate's Boss, speaking role

### Human Characters:

Gary Coleman: Male or female-identifying, or gender fluid. African-American. Yes, that Gary Coleman. He lives on the Avenue, too. He's the superintendent. D3 to Bflat 5

**PAY RATE:** \$700 stipend, plus performance bonus