

# **THE BRIDGES OF MADISON COUNTY**

## **GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET**

### **AUDITION DATES**

1. Monday, May 19 and Tuesday, May 20 at 7:00 PM - **PLEASE ARRIVE AT 6:45PM** to be photographed and to complete the audition form if not done in advance.
2. **Call Backs:** Wednesday, May 21 and Thursday, May 22 at 7:00 PM

Location (all four days): East Aurora Senior Citizens Center, 101 King Street, East Aurora.

**Note:** Please use the entrance on King Street across from the shopping plaza.

### **AUDITION PREPARATION**

Please bring 32 bars of sheet music from a Broadway musical to sing with a piano accompaniment. Sides from the script will be used during call backs only.

### **SHOW DATES**

Fridays 10/10, 10/17, 10/24 at 7:30 pm

Saturdays 10/11, 10/18, 10/25 at 7:30 pm

Sundays 10/12, 10/19, 10/26 at 2:30 pm

### **REHEARSALS**

- First read-through will be held on July 28, 2025 at Aurora Players' Roycroft Pavilion Theatre - 166 South Grove Street, East Aurora. Headshots for publicity and the show program will be taken at this time. Please dress accordingly.
- Rehearsals begin Monday, August 4 . **Please indicate all dates you are not available for rehearsal on the audition form (see tentative rehearsal schedule at the end of this document.)**
- All rehearsals will take place Monday-Thursday or Friday between 6:30 PM and 9:30-10 PM at the Aurora Players Roycroft Pavilion. Rehearsal dates will be confirmed at the first rehearsal.

### **\*\*\*\*\* DATES THAT CANNOT BE MISSED - NO EXCEPTIONS \*\*\*\*\***

July 28 (MONDAY)	FIRST READ THROUGH/HEADSHOTS
August 11 (MONDAY)	FIRST REHEARSAL/COSTUME MEASUREMENTS
Sept 27 (SATURDAY)	TECH REHEARSAL (plan on all day, w/lunch)
Sept 29-Oct 3 (MON-FRI)	TECH WEEK
Oct 6-8 (MON-WED)	FULL DRESS REHEARSAL
Oct 26 (SUN)	SET STRIKE & CLEAN- UP

**SYNOPSIS**— Francesca Johnson, an Italian woman who married an American soldier to flee war-ravaged Italy, looks forward to a rare four days alone on her Iowa farm when her family heads to the 1965 State Fair. When ruggedly handsome, *National Geographic* photographer, Robert Kincaid, pulls into her driveway seeking directions, what happens in those four days may very well alter the course of Francesca's life.

*The Bridges of Madison County is an intimate story and we are looking for actors who are comfortable with and can authentically portray that intimacy. Those cast as Robert and Francesca will have several intimate moments. Aurora Players is committed to creating a comfortable and consensual atmosphere for rehearsals and during the performances.*

### **CHARACTERS AND DESCRIPTIONS:**

#### **Francesca Johnson**

Generous, luminous, and yearning, Francesca is married to a farmer, Bud Johnson, and living in Iowa with their two teenage children. Strong mezzo-soprano with an Italian accent.

#### **Robert Kincaid**

A ruggedly handsome, worldly, visionary photographer. Rich, bari-tenor voice.

#### **Bud Johnson**

Francesca's loyal husband. Bud is an Iowa farmer, a good guy, diligent and dependable. Baritone.

#### **Carolyn Johnson (about 14) & Michael Johnson (about 16)**

Francesca and Bud's children.

#### **Marge & Charlie**

The nosy but lovable neighbors.

#### **Ensemble (any age)**

Strong singers and character actors of all types and voice parts.

### **ADDITIONAL NOTES**

Questions? Please don't hesitate to email us: [info@auroraplayers.org](mailto:info@auroraplayers.org)