



CASTING CALL FOR NEW COMMUNITY PLAY

Civic Ensemble is currently in development of its next Community Based Play, entitled *Fertile Grounds*. This is a partnership between Civic Ensemble and Playwright Katie Ka Vang exploring the question, “What does it mean to be well?” and the role of land connection and grief in healing & wellness.

We are **seeking community members to audition for featured acting roles in *Fertile Grounds*.**

No experience necessary, come as you are, no prepared materials needed.

Drop-In Audition Times & Locations - first come, first serve

- **Sunday, March 5th, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm** at Southside Community Center
- **Tuesday, March 7th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm** at Tompkins County Public Library

Character List

- AUDIA, 35 to 45. Soon to be Land steward. Daughter of John. Grieving.
- BILL, 45 to 55. Hospital Worker. Coop Owner. Changing.
- LUANN, Elder. Land steward. Coop Owner. Surviving.
- KASHA, 35 to 45. Land steward. Coop Owner.. Growing.
- ANEELA, Teenager. Daughter of Kasha. Magical.
- COMFORT, Elder. Ancestor. The real one.
- ESME, Teenager. Ancestor. The less precious one.
- EDDIE, 20s to 50s. Ancestor. The new one.

Please note: All characters are people of color. Character ages are suggested. We encourage any community members who feel connected to this opportunity to audition.

Production Timeline

- The rehearsal period will be six weeks April 16th-May 27th
- Tech and performances will be May 28th-June 11th for a total rehearsal and production timeline of eight weeks

Time Expectations & Compensation

- This position is for up to 15 hours a week with increased hours (up to 30 hours/week) the week of technical rehearsals and performances,
- Must be 16 years of age or older
- The rate of pay for this position is \$16.61/hr and will be paid bi-weekly as a part-time employee of Civic Ensemble
- Start date & End Date: April 17, 2023 to June 11th, 2023
- Rehearsals are up to four times per week: Wednesday & Thursday 7 to 10 pm and Saturday and Sunday 12 to 4 pm with flexibility the last two weeks. .

Civic Ensemble is a community engaged theater company rooted in telling the stories of our local community in Tompkins County, NY.

If you have questions, please reach out to Associate Artistic Director, Gabriella da Silva Carr, at gabriella@civicensemble.org