



Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble Auditions

Sunday, August 15 & Monday, August 16, 2021 | 2:00-5:00 PM | The Grand Theater, Wausau

The Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble is the premier performance group representing Overture Center's Jerry Awards in the North Central region of the state, featuring students from participating schools and theater organizations. Selected students will build their technical performance skills through regular rehearsals and unique performance opportunities. Students will greatly build their musical theatre repertoire, gain performance experience, and form bonds with student performers from across the region. All students entering grades 9-12 at Central Wisconsin schools and organizations that participate in the Jerry Awards are eligible to audition!

Performances

The Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble puts on numerous performances at The Grand, across Wausau, and beyond, including: pre-show performances at The Grand Theater for touring Broadway shows like *RENT* and *Jersey Boys*, season preview and kickoff events at The Grand, special events at the Wausau Conservatory of Music, community events like Marketplace Thursdays, the annual Jerry Ensemble Cabaret on the stage of the historic Grand Theater, the Jerry Awards Nominees Celebration at The Grand, and the annual Jerry Awards Show in Madison. The Ensemble also adapted to the restrictions and limitations of the 2020-21 Season to produce virtual performances called "The Best of Broadway."

Rehearsal/Performance Expectations

The Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble will begin rehearsal and performing in-person this fall. Members of the Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble are expected to attend all rehearsals and scheduled performances, with minimal excused absences. Rehearsals are held two to four times a month from 2:00-4:00 PM on Sunday afternoons in Wausau. A full schedule of rehearsals and performances will be distributed at the first rehearsal in early September.

Audition Information

Auditions will be held on Sunday, August 15 and Monday, August 16, 2021 from 2:00-5:00 PM at The Grand Theater in Wausau. Students should plan to attend **either** on Sunday OR Monday, and sign up for **one** hour-long time slot. Students may also submit audition videos virtually* rather than auditioning in-person.

1. **Prepared Piece:** Students should prepare one full song in the style of musical theatre to perform as part of their audition. Students must audition with a backing track, which they should provide either as an mp3 or a YouTube link.
2. **Assigned Piece:** Students will receive an additional musical selection from Katy Lang via email the week prior to auditions. They should learn this selection and prepare to perform it as a part of their audition.
3. **Dance Audition:** Students will also be taught a short dance combination that will be performed in a small group during each audition time slot. Those submitting their auditions virtually will receive a video of the combination along with their assigned vocal selection.

*All three parts of virtual auditions (prepared piece, assigned piece, and dance audition) must be received by 5:00 PM on Monday, August 16 in order to be considered.

Sign up using this [form](#) (also found on The Grand's website) by **Wednesday, August 11th**. To learn more about the Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble, visit The Grand's [website](#). Email Katy Lang at klang@grandtheater.org or Marshall DeLonay at dancintildawn721@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.