Christmas Carol Character Breakdown

LEAD ROLES

- **Scrooge** (male, 45+): A man who lost his father to creditors as a child and has grown up following his father's advice to save money. Grumpy and unsympathetic until he realizes how terrible he has become.
- **Mr. Cratchit** (male, 25-45): A father and husband who cares deeply for his family, especially his youngest son. Works hard to provide for them but is mistreated by his employer, Scrooge.
- Mrs. Cratchit (female, 25-45): Tiny Tim's mother and Mr. Cratchit's wife. A loving mother who tries to provide the best for her children with what she has.
- **Fred** (male, 25-35): Scrooge's nephew and only living relative. A pleasant young man who believes in the joy of the Christmas spirit.
- Sandwich Board Barker / Ghost of Christmas Present (male or female, 18+): A jovial, larger-than-life ghost who shows Scrooge the joy, love, and celebration he is missing out on.
- Lamplighter / Ghost of Christmas Past (male or female, 18+): An ever-cheerful, sprightly ghost who shows Scrooge the events that led to his current state.
- Blind Old Hag / Ghost of Christmas Future (female, 18+): A beautiful and terrifying wraith, strong and silent as she shows Scrooge the consequences of his current path.
- **Ghost of Marley** (male, 35+): Scrooge's former business partner, who was like Scrooge in life. Returns as a ghost in chains to warn Scrooge about the consequences of his life decisions.

FEATURED CHARACTERS (doubles as ensemble)

- Mr. Smythe (male, 25-45): A respectable but poor man.
- **Emily** (female, 18-25): Scrooge's fiancée from when they were young. A beautiful girl, unimpressed by or in need of money.
- Young Scrooge (male, 18-25): The young version of Scrooge.
- Young Marley (male, 18-25): The young version of Marley.
- **Mr. Fezziwig** (male, 35+): A jolly man who used to throw a huge Christmas party every year. Scrooge's first boss who taught him everything he knew and was deeply disappointed in what Scrooge became.
- Mrs. Fezziwig (female, 35+): The consummate hostess and Mr. Fezziwig's wife, she loved helping throw the annual Christmas party.
- **Scrooge's Mother** (female, 25-35): Scrooge's mother.
- Mrs. Mops (female, 45+): Scrooge's housekeeper.
- Old Joe (male, 45+): A Rags and Bone man.
- Sally (female, 25-35): Fred's wife.

ADULT ENSEMBLE (doubles as featured characters)

• Chorus Roles (18+): Charity Elves; Bankers; Street Vendors; Sailors; Ghosts; Jailers; Clerks; Monks. Many roles with lines and singing solos.

FEATURED CHILDREN'S CHARACTERS (doubles as ensemble)

- Tiny Tim (male, 8-12): Mr. and Mrs. Cratchit's youngest son. Crippled and sick but embodies the loving Christmas spirit, constantly reminding his family that as long as they have each other, they will be happy.
- Young Scrooge (male, 8-12): The youngest version of Scrooge during Christmas Past.
- Fan (female, 8-12): Scrooge's sister.
- Grace Smythe (female, 8-12): A respectable but poor young girl.
- **Turkey Child** (male or female, 8-12): A young child on the street who gets the prize turkey for Scrooge.

CHILDREN ENSEMBLE (doubles as featured characters)

• Chorus Roles (8-12): Cratchit Children; Children in London; Workers; Fred's Children.