

RENTED CHRISTMAS

SYNOPSIS, REHEARSAL DATES and TIMES, CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

NOTE: EVERYTHING IN BLUE pertains to KIDS ONLY

SYNOPSIS:

John Dale hasn't enjoyed a 'real Christmas' for years. So, on the spur of the moment, he decides to 'rent' a Christmas from Anne Weston, who owns the local rent shop. Anne is at first flustered with the requirements: a tree with presents, Christmas carols and also a wife and five children. Anne feels she has solved the problem of a Christmas family by calling the actors' guild. But the young actors come down with the measles so she turns to the local orphanage. When the guild can't locate a 'mother,' Anne steps in to play the role herself. Based on the short story by J. Lillian Vandervere, the story of how John Dale's rented Christmas turns into a new life for all concerned makes this a warm story for the holiday season.

REHEARSAL INFORMATION:

November 2, 3, 4, 13, 14, 20, 21 - 6 to 10 p.m. **Kids are done at 8 p.m.**

November 12, 19 and 26 - 6 to 9 p.m. **Kids are done at 8:00 p.m.**

November 15, 16, and 17 - 5 to 6:30 p.m.

November 27, 28 and 29 - 7 to 10 p.m. **Kids are done at 9:00 p.m.**

Running time is one hour and 20 minutes.

CHARACTER BREAKDOWN:

THIS ROLE IS PRE CAST - Anne Weston: Strong, attractive woman in her 30's

THIS ROLE IS PRE CAST - John Dale: Handsome, reserved businessman late 40's

Jimmy: Part time employee, late teens. Nice guy. Taller than John if possible

Bridget: John's Housekeeper 40's to 50's

Martha: John's cook and Bridget's sister - 20's to 30's

Jean: Orphan 15 or 16 years old

Cynthia: Orphan 12 or 13 years old

Willie: Orphan 9 or 10 years old

Lettie: Orphan 7 or 8 years old

Mrs. Alice Lindsey: Matron in charge of orphanage 50's on up.

Fred: John's business partner 30's to 50's

6 Children in the orphanage who also double as Christmas Carolers ages 9 to 16

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