

OPEN CALL AUDITION In The Red & Brown Water

<u>Auditions:</u> Monday, July 14th at 6:30PM Tuesday, July 15th at 6:30PM *Callbacks – Wednesday, July 16th at 6:30PM* 

**Location:** Auditions and Callbacks will take place at Selma Senior Center - 2301 Selma St, Selma, CA 93662.

**<u>Age Restriction</u>**: Rated R. Must be 18 years old by the first day of auditions (July 18th, 2025).

**The Auditions:** Auditions are the actor's opportunity to showcase their acting, vocal, and movement talents, *as well as* their personality and ability to prepare. Prior to the auditions, *you must submit an Online Audition Form*. Performers are then encouraged to make an appointment via <u>Sign Up Genius</u>. Those without an appointment will be seen on a walk-in basis, as time permits.

Audition Requirements: please prepare a 1 minute contemporary monologue for your audition. We ask that you not audition with material from *In The Red & Brown Water*. You MIGHT be asked to sing. So please prepare approximately 16-32 bars of music in the style of contemporary musical theatre or a jazz, folk, or pop/rock song. Please <u>bring</u> <u>your own instrumental or karaoke track</u>. A bluetooth speaker will be provided. Per tracks, we recommend downloading or screen recording your music to your device prior to your audition, as to avoid any potential wifi connectivity issues.

<u>Video Auditions:</u> If you are unable to make the general auditions (we strongly recommend an in person audition), an accompanied video recording of the required

materials specified above may be submitted **on or before July 15th at 8:00 PM** to *SelmaArtsCenterAuditions@gmail.com.* Please send via unlisted YouTube link. However, you MUST attend the <u>mandatory callback</u> (*should you be called back*) on **July 16th at 6:30 PM** in order to be considered for a role. If this is not possible, please email our stage manager, Jamiela Williams at *jamielawilliams@gmail.com* with any questions or concerns.

**The Callbacks:** Callbacks provide our creative team with the opportunity to see an actors' abilities and versatility when applied to this production. The callbacks will be split into two sections; an **acting** portion, and a **movement** portion. As we will be asking many things of you, please dress in whatever you're most comfortable in and be prepared for movement! Some actors *may* be let go before the end of callbacks. However, early dismissal does not affect any actors' chance of being cast.

**CDC Guidelines:** Any CDC guidelines in place at time of rehearsal and performances will be enforced. In the event a mandate is reinstated, all are required to wear masks at all times in the theater. Hand washing and distancing is encouraged. Snacks will be eaten in the lobby/patio. Only water in a closed container is allowed in the theater. For more information on CDC Guidelines visit CDC.gov

## **Production Information:**

• Audition Form, Audition Packet and tentative schedule are available online and will be available at the audition.

- Due to the tight rehearsal schedule, all conflicts must be presented during your auditions.
- Conflicts presented after the first rehearsal will not be honored. Please note that excessive conflicts will affect casting decisions.
- PERFORMANCE CONFLICTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
- Casting notification will occur no later than July 18th, 2025.
- Communication will be done through phone, email and Discord please list a valid email address on the audition form.

## **Rehearsal Dates and Times:**

• There will be a cast and company meeting/orientation on **July 21st at 6:30pm at the Selma Senior Center -** 2301 Selma St, Selma, CA 93662.

• Rehearsals for this production will be held Sunday through Wednesday from 6:30pm - 9:30pm, until technical rehearsals begin.

## Performances:

Running October 3rd, 4th, 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 16th, 17th, and 18th for a total of 13 performances. The show runs for a total of three weekends. All evening performances begin at 7:30pm and matinee performances begin at 2:00pm.

# *If you have any additional questions about auditions or the production, please email our stage manager, Jamiela Williams, at jamielawilliams@gmail.com.*

This production is sponsored by the Selma Arts Council.

## Production Team:

Directed by Joshua Slack Stage Manager - Jamiela Williams Vocal Direction - Kaylene Amos Set Design - Christina McCollam Costume Design - Sofia James & Jazmin Valdez Musical Direction - Joy Slack Dramaturg - D'Aungilique Jackson Producers - Claudio Laso & Rebecca Potts Marketing & Graphic Design - Toph Ortiz Assistant Marketing & Graphic Design - Claudio Laso

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#### **Tentative Production Schedule:**

AUDITIONS July 9th & 15th at 6:30PM CALLBACKS July 16th at 6:30PM

Company Meeting Monday, July 21st at 6:30PM

Rehearsals Dates / SUNDAY - WEDNESDAY.

Week One July 27th - 30th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm Week Two August 3rd - 6th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Week Three

August 10th - 13th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Week Four

August 17th - 20th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Week Five

August 24th - 27th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Week Six August 31st - September 3rd from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Week Seven September 7th - 10th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Week Eight September 14th - 17th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Week Nine September 21st - 24th from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

#### TECH WEEK/DRESS REHEARSALS

Sept 26th - Paper & Dry Tech(No Actors Called)Sept 28th - Wet Tech - 10AM(Actors Called)Sept 29th - Tech - 5:30PM(Add Makeup)Sept 30th - Dress Rehearsal - 5:30PM(Full Costume & Makeup)Oct 1st - Dress Rehearsal - 5:30PM(Full Costume & Makeup)Oct 2nd - Final Dress - 5:30PM(Full Costume & Makeup)

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October 3rd, 4th (2), 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th(2), 12th, 16th, 17th, and 18th (2), 2025

STRIKE: October 19th - 10:00AM

**Synopsis:** How far will fast, beautiful Oya go to make a mark in the world? "In the Red and Brown Water" follows a spirited, young runner with a promising future, Oya is faced with an impossible choice: stay home to care for her ailing mother or follow her dreams of becoming a track star. Caught between expectations and desires, loyalty and passion, Oya must learn to navigate the turbulent waters of adulthood. Acclaimed writer Tarell Alvin McCraney (Oscar winner for *Moonlight*) weaves together lyrical dialogue, evocative music, and mythology in this powerful coming-of-age story. IN THE RED AND BROWN WATER is the intoxicating story that

charts a young girl's thrust into womanhood and her subsequent fall into the murky waters of life.

### Available Roles:

OYA: Begins the play a girl and ends it a woman, a woman of color

**ELEGBA**: Begins the play a boy and ends it a man, godbrother to Oya, of Creole heritage.

**MAMA MOJA/THE WOMAN THAT REMINDS YOU**: Mother of Oya, godmother to Elegba, a mother of color

AUNT ELEGUA: Aunt to Ogun, godmother to Oya, a woman of color

**NIA**: A girl from around the way

**SHUN**: A girl from around the way, friend to Nia, a fair woman of color.

SHANGO: With Oya for a time, a dark man of color

O LI ROON, THE MAN FROM STATE: A white man

THE ENGUNGUN: A DJ, a boy from around the way

**Casting Note:** "Majority of the roles, with the exception of **NIA**, are culturally/ethnically specific. Please take that into consideration when auditioning" - **Joshua Slack** 



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