



Don't Look Now Child Actor Information Sheet

Child Actors Needed!

What are we looking for?

We are looking for two children to appear in The New Wolsey and Wiltshire Creative production of *Don't Look Now* this autumn. The two children will share the role, each child will appear in half the performances each, probably appearing in every other performance.

The character the child will be playing is female and is aged 6-7 years old. We are looking for someone who looks this age, and is small enough to be held/ carried in someone's arms. You can still apply if your child is over 7 years of age, as long as they look 6-7 years old.

The child can be of any ethnicity, cultural heritage, background or appearance.

This is a voluntary role but we will pay reasonable travel expenses such as mileage or bus fare for the child's travel to and from rehearsals and performances. You will not need to pay anything for your child to take part.

Application and Selection

To apply: Please complete an [application form](#) and send a photograph of your young person to rhall@wolseytheatre.co.uk.

What kind of photograph?

Please send in a photograph of your young person taken in a vertical orientation from the chest or shoulders up. Aim for the camera lens to be at their eye level.

Auditions

Date: Friday 20th June 2025

Time: 4.00-6.30pm

Each audition will last 1 hour- we will confirm your time with you.

Venue: NW2, The New Wolsey Theatre's community building.

NW2 is located opposite the theatre on **Civic Drive, Ipswich IP1 2AS** – the building with the golden roof.

What happens in the audition?



The audition will be a group workshop led by Douglas Rintoul (Director of the play and Chief Executive/ Artistic Director of the NWT) and Rebecca Hall (New Wolsey Creative Communities Producer). Douglas and Rebecca both have an enhanced DBS check.

The session will last one hour and will include games, drama exercises and looking at a small section of a scene of the play. The session should be fun, regardless of whether you are selected for the part. The workshop will give us a chance to get to know you and for you to get to know us.

There is no dress code. Clothing should be comfortable and allow free movement.

Adults with parental responsibility will not be permitted to be in the audition room. You can wait during the audition in the foyer of NW2 or you can wait in the foyer of the theatre.

If there are any adjustments we can make to enable your child to take part, please let us know.

What happens after the audition?

Our Producer, Rachel Fitzgerald will be in touch by phone or email to let you know whether we'd like to see your young person again or offer them a part.

If your child is offered a part, we will talk to you about the process and guide you through the next steps. Adults with parental responsibility will need to complete a consent form for their child, and read the play to support the process and understand what is involved.

We will apply for all the necessary licenses for your child to perform through your local council.

Creative Communities Producer Rebecca Hall will be in touch with you by phone or email to gather the necessary information for the license application.

If you have any questions or would like an informal conversation about the part or the play please contact Rebecca Hall, Creative Communities Producer for Young People on rhall@wolseytheatre.co.uk or Tel: 01473 295930

If my child gets a part, as a parent, what will I be expected to do?

In order to support your child, please help them to learn their lines and listen/ watch them reading or performing at home.

Your child will need to be dropped off and collected from rehearsals and the theatre on the allocated dates.

A licensed chaperone will meet you who will then be responsible for your child whilst they are at the theatre.

Will my child need to miss school?

The two children sharing the role will need to be out of school for a small amount of time. Most rehearsals and performances are after school, but there is one dress rehearsal and two matinee performances during the school day (see dates below). We will seek permission from your child's Head Teacher for any school absences required as part of the Child Licensing process.

Rehearsals

The play will rehearse over three weeks at Dance East (on the waterfront). Rehearsals will be one day per week after school for three weeks plus one Saturday morning.

There will be a technical rehearsal at the theatre and two dress rehearsals.

Rehearsal dates

- Tuesday 16th September – 4- 5.30pm
- Tuesday 23rd September – 4- 5.30pm
- Tuesday 30th September – 4- 5.30pm
- Saturday 4th October – Morning run through, exact time TBC

Technical rehearsals

After school exact time TBC. Either Monday 6th October or Tuesday 7th October 2025.

Dress Rehearsals

- Wednesday 8th October in the evening time TBC.
- Thursday 9th October afternoon (during school time)

Applicants must be able to commit to all the rehearsals dates.

Performances

Your child will need to be available for all dates below. We will then allocate performances to each of the children.

Children will need to arrive at the theatre 90 minutes before the start of each performance e.g. 5.30pm for a 7:00pm performance or 12:30pm for a 2:00pm performance.

Performance schedule

Performance Number	Date	Time
1	Thu 9th October	7:00pm
2	Fri 10th October	7:30pm
3	Sat 11th October	7:30pm
4	Mon 13th October	7:00pm
5	Tue 14th October	7:00pm
6	Wed 15th October	2:00pm
7	Wed 15th October	7:00pm
8	Thu 16th October	7:00pm
9	Fri 17th October	7:30pm
10	Sat 18th October	2:30pm
11	Sat 18th October	7:30pm
12	Mon 20th October	7:00pm
13	Tue 21st October	7:00pm
14	Wed 22nd October	2:00pm
15	Wed 22nd October	7:00pm
16	Thu 23rd October	7:00pm
17	Fri 24th October	7:30pm
18	Sat 25th October	2:30pm
19	Sat 25th October	7:30pm

Is this a paid opportunity? Do I need to pay anything for my child to take part?

This is a voluntary role but we will pay reasonable travel expenses such as mileage or bus fare for the child's travel to and from rehearsals and performances.

The child actors costume will be provided for them, and you will not need to pay anything for your child to take part.

Questions and Further Information

If you have any questions or would like an informal conversation about the part please contact Rebecca Hall, Creative Communities Producer for Young People on rhall@wolseytheatre.co.uk or Tel: 01473 295924