**Character Breakdown**

Sam (M/F)

The story’s narrator – and a snowman! Sam remembers the winter of “the big storm” – so well, in fact, that he decides to tell the whole story. Sam should be a strong singer and actor. As the narrator, the audience should understand every word Sam says! We will choose an actor with a warm and welcoming stage presence for this important role.

Vocal range top: C5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Santa Claus (M)

Needs no introduction! Choose a more mature actor with a great stage presence who can act, carry a tune, and completely embody this significant character role.

Vocal range top: D5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Mrs. Claus (F)

Another classic Christmas character. Cast an actor in this role that can make strong character choices and can be kind but firm with her husband.

Donner (M)

Rudolph’s father and a proud member of the team who pulls Santa’s sleigh on Christmas Eve. Donner does not sing a solo but should be a strong actor. It’s great if he reads as older onstage and pairs well with Mrs. Donner.

Mrs. Donner (F)

Rudolph’s mother. She loves her son and even sets off to find Rudolph after he runs away. Mrs. Donner does not sing a solo, so cast a good actor who reads as older onstage and pairs well with Donner.

Young Rudolph (M)

The hero of the story! This lovable misfit struggles to fit in due to his glowing, red nose. Young Rudolph should be a good actor and ideally appear younger onstage.

Vocal range top: B4

Vocal range bottom: G#3

Rudolph (M)

The hero of the story! This lovable misfit struggles to fit in due to his glowing, red nose. Rudolph should be an excellent actor and singer, and he should be able to embody the emotional heart of the story.

Vocal range top: D5

Vocal range bottom: A#3

Bumble (M/F)

The Abominable Snow Monster can either be a few students operating a puppet or one student costumed as the monster. Bumble does not sing a solo, so this role should feature an actor with a great stage presence.

Hermey (M/F)

A bit of an odd elf – he doesn’t want to make toys; he wants to be a dentist! Like Rudolph, Hermey is a misfit, and they become close friends over their shared outsider status. Cast a talented actor who can sing, act, and bring this dentist elf to life!

Vocal range top: D5

Vocal range bottom: G#3

Boss Elf (M/F)

A great role for a student who is a natural leader and has good comedic instincts. Boss Elf grumbles about Hermey’s interest in dentistry at first, but it’s only because he cares so much about making perfect toys for Santa – he doesn’t mean any harm. Cast a good actor in this role.

Fireball (M/F)

One of the yearlings. He is not particularly nice to Rudolph after his glowing nose is revealed. Fireball does not sing a solo, so this is a great role for a good actor who may not have the strongest singing voice.

Clarice (F)

A doe who takes a liking to Rudolph in spite of his glowing, red nose. She is kind to him and even goes to look for him after he runs away. Clarice sings “There’s Always Tomorrow,” so cast an actor with a great singing voice who is able to portray Clarice’s kindness, patience, and gumption.

Vocal range top: C5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Elves

The Elves (including Elf 1, Elf 2, Elf 3, Elf4, and Aviator Elf) are Santa’s helpers and the choral backbone of the show. Elves 1 – 4 sing solos, and Aviator Elf has a featured spoken line. Be sure to cast strong singers as Elves 1 – 4, and feel free to add as many additional Elves as students who want to be involved in your production!

Vocal range top: C5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Coach Comet (M/F)

The coach in charge of training the yearlings. He is good at his job, even if he is a little gruff, and doesn’t take kindly at all to Rudolph’s glowing red nose. Coach Comet doesn’t sing a solo, so cast a good actor in this role who will read as older onstage compared to the yearlings.

Clarice's Father (M)

A great role for a newcomer to the stage. Although he does not sing a solo, his brief cameo really drives home that Rudolph is an outcast in Christmastown.

Yukon Cornelius (M)

A prospector in the hunt for silver and gold, Yukon has a big personality and is not afraid of anything, including Bumble. Yukon sings “Fame And Fortune,” but keep in mind that this song can be done in a character voice. The most important qualities for this performer are a commanding stage presence, the ability to make strong character choices, and a willingness to chew the scenery!

Vocal range top: D5

Vocal range bottom: C4

King Moonracer/Queen Moonracer (M/F)

A great cameo role. This character does not sing a solo but should embody a regal, authoritative presence onstage. King Moonracer cares about the Misfit Toys on the island and wants to help them find real homes. Cast a good actor in this role who can command the stage.

Charlie-In-The-Box (M/F)

The sentry on the Island of Misfit Toys. Sad to be named Charlie instead of Jack, Charlie-in-the-Box has several important lines and a few solos. This is a great role for a good actor and singer who can project and speak clearly onstage.

Vocal range top: B4

Vocal range bottom: C4

Dolly (F)

Lives on the Island of Misfit Toys. This small role includes a solo and a few lines – ideal for a talented new performer who’s not quite ready for a lead role.

Vocal range top: G4

Vocal range bottom: E4

Cowboy (M/F)

One of the Misfit Toys. They have a few featured lines and are perfect for younger performers who may be new to the stage.

Vocal range top: G4

Vocal range bottom: E4

Train (M/F)

One of the Misfit Toys. They have a few featured lines and are perfect for younger performers who may be new to the stage.

Plane (M/F)

One of the Misfit Toys. They have a few featured lines and are perfect for younger performers who may be new to the stage.

Bird-Fish (M/F)

One of the Misfit Toys. They have a few featured lines and are perfect for younger performers who may be new to the stage.

Spotted Elephant (M/F)

Lives on the Island of Misfit Toys. This role is perfect for a new performer.

Ensemble

Roles include: Herald Reporter, Chicago Reporter, Daily Mail Reporter, Daily News Reporter, Chronicler Reporter, Reindeer (including Reindeer 1, Reindeer 2, Reindeer 3), Elves (including Elf 1, Elf 2, Elf 3, Elf 4, and Aviator Elf), Yearlings, Misfit Toys