# ALADDIN

### **CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS**

#### WIDOW TWANKEY (Male)

A traditional pantomime dame.

She has a reputation of being a strict mother but neither son takes her that seriously. She runs the town launderette and is always complaining about being overworked but really she does very little.

She speaks loudly and dresses the same way. Good comedy timing essential with the aim of getting the audience to laugh with her rather than at her.

A strong brash character who can confidently hold a tune and has rhythm.

# ALADDIN (Male)

Widow Twankey's younger son.

He is a young man who should be clever, brave and generous but also cheeky, mischievous and a practical joker. A Handsome lad who ends up the Hero. Must be able to sing and dance.

# WISHEE WASHEE (Male)

Widow Twankey's older son.

A bit dim and very lazy but often gives as good as he gets.

Loves chatting to his friends (the audience) and has a Panda for a pet who goes everywhere with him.

Traditional link man character and loving brother to Aladdin.

Singing and dancing needed.

### ABANAZAR (Male)

A traditional 'Baddie'

Has an overwhelming lust for power and will do whatever it takes to get his hand on the magic lamp. He is extremely intelligent, yet sly, calculating and utterly ruthless. He must be played with fiendish relish.

### THE EMPEROR

Father of Princess Jasmine.

He is far too overprotective of his daughter and wants to choose her husband-to-be for her.

He never lets her out of sight and wants to be able to control her.

He is domineering yet only wants the best for his daughter and is really a big softie on the inside.

### PRINCESS JASMINE (Female)

A Beautiful young woman who has been kept under lock and key all her life and is waiting for the chance to get free and explore the world. She is feisty, confident, extremely inquisitive and with a rebellious streak ready to stand up to her father to find the love of her life.

Must be an exceptional singer and able to dance.

# SERGEANT PING & PONG (Either Male or Female)

Two fools who play off of each other perfectly to make the worse police duo of all time.

Comedy timing essential and chemistry between the two needed.

They are both fairly simple but what they lack in intelligence they make up for in enthusiasm.

They are fast moving, quick talking, self-important – but completely useless.

# NOBBY THE PANDA

Non speaking role.

Loyal friend and sidekick to Wishee Washee.

He is fast moving and must be able to show comedy while wearing a panda suit. Should be able to dance well and love being the centre of attention.

Though he doesn't speak his presence will definitely be heard and felt.

# SU-SHEE (FEMALE)

Non speaking role.

Loyal aide and confidant to Princess Jasmine.

Quietly shocked at the Princess's urge to be independent but always willing to keep her secrets safe.

# SLAVE OF THE RING (FEMALE)

A powerful spirit who lives in a ring.

A lovely comedy character who likes to answer back to Abanazer whenever she gets the chance.

Must be a confident character able to hold her own on stage. Must be able to sing.

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### GENIE OF THE LAMP (MALE)

A vastly superior character who has contempt for the mere mortals he is forced to serve.

He is big and brash, sharp witted and sarcastic all at the same time.

A firm favourite with the kids he needs to be able to switch from being mean to being warm when the time is right.

Comedy timing essential. Confident character with a booming voice and able to sing.

# CHORUS (MALE & FEMALE)

Chorus as Chinese Citizens, Cave Sprites, Palace Attendants, Guards etc. etc. An all singing and dancing cast of all ages but with main dancers for the big numbers.

Must be able to sing & dance to a good level.

### You must be over the age of 16 by the time of the show to audition. Rehearsals will begin in mid-September 2018. Dates to be confirmed.