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Character Descriptions

Actors auditioning should play these characters as REAL PEOPLE.
Characters should be played with real conviction and trust.
They are not Cartoons.

- Ugly:** (10 & Up, Sings) is the ugly duckling. Innocent, easily confused and very impressionable. Ugly doesn't understand why it is wrong being different. Ugly goes from being a gullible duckling to a wise swan full of self-esteem.
- IDA:** (13 & Up, Sings) is Ugly's Mom. Ida is extremely protective of her son and committed to his safety. She is sweet but feisty, and she knows how to handle her husband Drake. She teaches Ugly it's OK to be different.
- Drake:** (13 & Up, Sings) is Ida's husband. Drake is a sarcastic character, stereotypical sitcom father- often shirking his parental duties. Drake finds Ugly quite, well, ugly and isn't afraid to tell anyone, including his wife.
- Billy, Beaky, Downy, Fluff:** (12 & Under, Sings) Ugly's siblings. They are among the "popular" ones in the duck yard who enjoy making Ugly feel left out.
- Maureen:** (13 & Up, Sings) is a moorhen and Ida's best friend. Maureen genuinely cares about Ida but cannot resist a bit of gossip.
- The Cat:** (12 & Up, Sings) is the sly, cunning villain. All the other characters are deathly afraid of the Cat. The Cat is manipulative, cunning, witty and HUNGRY! The Cat pretends to be Ugly's friend so s/he can eat him! Improv Skills are a plus.
- Greylag:** (13 & Up, Sings) is a somewhat pompous goose. A washed up military type. Greylag tends to run everything in military fashion. Only his wife Dot truly knows how to handle him.
- Dot:** (13 & Up, Sings) is Greylag's wife. She is a loving motherly type who wants to help Ugly find his mother. She realizes Greylag is a bit odd, but kindly guides his missed directions.
- The Bullfrog:** (13 & Up, Sings) is laid back and self confident. Optimistic and funny this character is a standup comedian type. Improv skills are a plus.



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Penny: (10 & Up, Sings, Dancer) is a young beautiful swan. She can see past Ugly's looks to the wonderful person he is inside.

Barnacles, Snowy, Pinkfoot: (10 & Up, Singers, Dancer's) They are part of Graylag's squad.

Grace: (13 & Up, Sings) The most distinguished duck on the lake. All the other look up to her. She's a bit haughty.

Turkey: (13 & Up, Sings) Headmaster of the duckling's school. Turkey is snobbish and joins in making fun of Ugly.

Henrietta: (10 & Up, Sings) one of Maureen's friends who loves to gossip. Takes part in making fun of Ugly.

Lowbutt: (10 & Up, Sings) a snobby, domesticated chicken character. She lives in a cottage with her best friend Queenie (a cat), frequently complaining about farm life and priding herself on being a pampered, upper-class pet.

Queenie: (10 & Up, Sings) a hilariously snobby, domesticated house cat, known for being a quirky vegetarian, she forms an unlikely best-friendship with a strict, aristocratic hen named Lowbutt

Jay Bird/Maggie Pie: (10 & Up, Actor) is an investigative reporter. A very "in your face" character like a TMZ or ET reporter.

Father/Mother Swan, Bewick: (10 & Up, Actors) Penny's family. Caring and understanding they help Ugly understand himself.

Farmer, Boy & Girl: (8 & Up, Actors) The only humans in the show. They are never seen. They are voice over's done live back stage.

Specialty Dancer's/Singer's: (Recommended 9 & Up) This will be a small select group of very strong dancers and singers. Specialty singers will be chosen from those who audition.