Costumed Interpreter - Character Specifications

Please be aware we are casting individuals to represent real life Navy Personnel so must include physical attributes within our casting such as athletic or muscular builds. Applicants should be willing to keep appearance to a Victorian naval standard, clean shaven and short hair.

Specifications have been detailed below. Please get in contact if you would like to discuss this further.

THE NMRN is casting the following characters:

1) SEAMAN- William Knight, Able Seaman

Playing age: 25 years old

Physical attributes: Slightly below average height, athletic build. Applicants must be able to do a Devonshire accent.

Background:

From Ashburton, Devon, born 12 June 1838. He was brought up to trade as a Seaman and volunteered 4th July 1856 initially for 10 years. Holder of ‘Good Conduct Badge’ since September 1861 and also Seaman Gunner 2nd Class. Confident aloft (by 1866 would be Captain of the Foretop)

Character notes:

- Knowledgeable
- Confident
- Good Character

2) OFFICER OF THE WATCH- Jacky Fisher, Gunnery Lieutenant

Playing age: 22 years old

Physical attributes: Average height, muscular.

Background:

Born in Ceylon, (modern day Sri Lanka) in 1841, eldest of 11 children, and joined the Navy at the age of 13 as a cadet. Became the First Sea Lord twice and considered the second most important British Naval figure in history. He was a great reformer and championed a lot of positive change on board ships.

Character notes:

- Interesting
- Innovative
- Popular
- Well respected
- Efficient
- Enthusiastic
3) STOKER- (Edward Tamlin)

**Playing age:** 25 years old

**Physical attributes:** Less than average height, muscular.

**Background:**

Born in Torquay, Devon in 1838 and joined the Navy in 1855 on HMS Antelope. He was an Ordinary Seaman before he was a Stoker. He joined the Warrior in 1861 as a Stoker, a very physically demanding job.

**Character notes:**

- Hard worker
- Strong
- Resilient

4) ENGINEER – Peter Baldwin, Asst. Engineer 1st Class

**Playing age:** Late 20s

**Physical attributes:** Average height, athletic build.

**Background:**

Product of his background, his father had served as a Royal Marine and his brother also trained as an Engineer. He began his career training as an Engineer at the Woolwich factory in 1857 and had not served at sea until he joined HMS Warrior. Peter received very good reviews from his peers.

**Character notes:**

- Trustworthy
- Well-disposed
- Knowledgeable
- Skilled