

Audition Notice: Next to Normal

Book and Lyrics by Brian Yorkey and music by Tom Kitt.

Directed & Choreographed by Rachel Meinhart Musical Direction by Makai Keur

When: Friday, May 17th 4:30 - 9:30 pm & Saturday, May 18th 4:30 - 9 pm

Callbacks (By Invitation): Sunday, May 19th 4:00 - 9:00 pm.

Where: The Factory at Franklin - 230 Franklin Rd, Franklin, TN 37064

First Rehearsal: Friday, May 24th (Tentative rehearsal schedule available at sourceonefive.com/auditions.)

Mandatory Tech Rehearsals: July 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, & 18th.

Performance Dates: Friday, July 19th @ 7:00 pm, Saturday, July 20th @ 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm, Sunday, July

21st @ 2:00 pm

Specific Audition Details: www.sourceonefive.com/auditions

Note:

Next to Normal requires a diverse cast of 6 actors. <u>All roles are currently available</u>. Actors of all ethnicities and all ages (including adults) are encouraged to audition. Looking to cast an ensemble of diverse actors who represent the greater Nashville community for all roles.

Show Synopsis

Winner of three Tony Awards and a Pulitzer Prize in Drama, Next to Normal dives into the inner workings of a suburban family struggling with the effects of mental illness and loss. Behind closed doors, their lives are anything but normal as the mother has been battling bipolar disorder for 16 years. 'Next to Normal' explores how bipolar disorder impacts family dynamics and makes everyday issues immensely challenging to overcome.

Character Breakdowns

DIANA

Mother to Gabe and Natalie, wife to Dan. Often appears delusional and depressed to others. She is determined to make her family perfect but is tortured by a traumatic event. She struggles to complete seemingly simple day-to-day tasks.

Gender: Female presenting

Vocal range top: F#5
Vocal range bottom: G3

GABE

Diana and Dan's son. Dashing, athletic, and bright. He is a playful man and seemingly perfect. He often provokes his mother.

Gender: Male presenting

Age: 18-22

Vocal range top: C5 Vocal range bottom: B2

DAN

Father to Gabe and Natalie, Diana's husband. He is extremely genuine. Though a constant in Diana's tumultuous life, he has grown tired and weary of her antics and often feels caught.

Gender: Male presenting

Vocal range top: B4

Vocal range bottom: Ab2

NATALIE

Diana and Dan's troubled daughter, sister to Gabe. She is an accomplished pianist and hardworking student, her struggles are exacerbated by her mother's behavior. She greatly admires Henry. Note: Natalie may be asked to play live piano in the show if the individual cast is able.

Gender: Female presenting

Age: 18-22

Vocal range top: G5 Vocal range bottom: G3

HENRY

Natalie's classmate and love interest. The all-around musician, philosopher, and slacker. He has an intoxicating capacity for sympathy and romance.

Age: 16-22

Gender: Male presenting

Vocal range top: B4

Vocal range bottom: G#2

DR MADDEN

Diana's psychiatrist. Quite assured in their practice and considered somewhat of a rock star. Note: The individual cast as Dr. Madden will also double as Diana's Psychopharmacologist, Dr. Fine. This individual will also play other various voices, doctors, nurses, etc. in conjunction with the rest of the cast when called for.

Gender: NonSpecified

Age: 25-50

Vocal range top: A4
Vocal range bottom: A2