# **Bonnie & Clyde Audition Packet**

SHOW DESCRIPTION: Bonnie & Clyde tells the story of real-life fugitives, Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow. In the midst of the country-wide depression the couple find notoriety and love in this thrilling, fast-paced musical. Frustrated with their poor, ordinary lives, Bonnie and Clyde both dream of the exciting lives they have seen in the movies. After escaping from jail, Clyde meets Bonnie and recognizes a fellow dreamer. Their craving for fame and thrills leads them into a life of crime and a life on the run. Despite the pleas of their families, the couple embark on a series of robberies at gunpoint, continuously evading the police and becoming the celebrities they desperately wanted to be. They are soon joined by Clyde's brother, Buck, and the "Barrow Gang" plans increasingly ambitious heists. As their fame and ambition grows, their inevitable fate draws closer. When Buck is killed by the police during an escape, Bonnie and Clyde decide to go and see their families once more. This decision leads them straight into the police firing line and they are both shot dead in the car. Sexy, exciting, and daring, Bonnie & Clyde combines gospel, rockabilly, and blues music to produce an innovative score that complements the action-filled plot.

#### **CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS**

Clyde Barrow - A charming small-town boy who craves notoriety. Bonnie's reckless, bold, daring lover.

Bonnie Parker - A beautiful girl torn between love and fame. Clyde's ambitious, stubborn lover.

**Marvin "Buck" Barrow** - Clyde's brother and an outlaw troubled by his wife's distaste for his lifestyle. Adventurous and loyal.

**Blanche Barrow** - A religious woman who disapproves of the criminal lifestyle. Honorable and righteous. Married to Buck Barrow.

**Cumie Barrow** - A kind woman among those suffering in the Depression. Loyal and selfless. Mother to Clyde and Buck.

**Ted Hinton:** A police officer struggling to separate his feelings from his duties. Kind and honest. Madly in love with Bonnie.

**Young Clyde & Young Bonnie** - The younger versions of the protagonists, Young Bonnie and Young Clyde, offer glimpses into their formative years. Their innocence contrasts sharply with the criminal paths they eventually choose. These flashback sequences reveal the seeds of rebellion and longing for adventure that shape their futures.

**Emma Parker** - Bonnie's widowed mother. Fragile, caring, sensitive.

**Preacher** - The town's evangelist. Loud, passionate, boisterous.

**Henry Barrow** - A hard-working man, struggling to survive. Humble and quiet. Father of Clyde and Buck.

**Governor Miriam Ferguson** - An enforcer of the law and Governor of Texas. Tough and harsh.

**Captain Frank Hamer** - A retired Texas Ranger who joins the hunt for Bonnie and Clyde. Recruited by Governor Ferguson.

**Bob Alcorn** - The best sharpshooter in Texas. Recruited by Frank Hamer, he helps hunt down Bonnie and Clyde.

Ensemble - Store Clerks; Cops/Guards; Bank Customers; Choir; Bread Line Folks

#### **Full Conductor Score:**

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iDY6MV4HTQfRESEATXViYZHQ2bW zJIH/view?usp=sharing

## **Full Song List:**

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Act I
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"Picture Show" - Young Bonnie, Young Clyde, Bonnie, Clyde

"Picture Show - Reprise" - Bonnie

"This World Will Remember Me" - Clyde, Bonnie

"This World Will Remember Me - Reprise" - Clyde †

"You're Goin' Back to Jail" - Blanche, Buck, Salon Women

"How 'Bout a Dance?" - Bonnie

"When I Drive" - Clyde, Buck

"God's Arms Are Always Open" – Preacher, Blanche, Congregation

"You Can Do Better Than Him" - Ted, Clyde

"You Love Who You Love" - Bonnie, Blanche

"Raise a Little Hell" – Clyde

"This World Will Remember Us" – Clyde, Bonnie

### Act II

"Made in America" - Preacher, Ensemble

"Too Late to Turn Back Now" - Clyde, Bonnie

"That's What You Call a Dream" - Blanche

"What Was Good Enough For You" - Clyde, Bonnie

"Bonnie" - Clyde

"Raise a Little Hell (reprise)" - Clyde, Buck, Ted

"Dyin' Ain't So Bad" – Bonnie

"God's Arms Are Always Open (reprise)"† – Blanche, Preacher

"You Can Do Better Than Him (reprise)"† - Ted

"Picture Show (reprise)"† – Young Bonnie, Young Clyde

"Dyin' Ain't So Bad (reprise)" - Clyde, Bonnie

"How 'Bout a Dance? (reprise)" - Bonnie

# **AUDITION SONG SELECTIONS AND LINKS**

# **BONNIE**

- Audition Song: "How Bout A Dance" Full Song
- Backing Track (Start at 1:27):
  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=preJGNXCMJ0&list=RDpreJGNXCMJ0&start\_radio=1">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=preJGNXCMJ0&list=RDpreJGNXCMJ0&start\_radio=1</a>
- Sheet Music:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/114B232GD0wSmW0AbtmcG9HYgSnz2qhZq/view?usp=drive\_link

### **CLYDE**

- Audition Song: "This World Will Remember Me" Full Song
- Backing Track (start at 1:00):
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Csx7TqcpjLc&list=RDCsx7TqcpjLc&start\_radio=1
- Sheet Music: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1r0lewffvEGq0lqyfLx\_SafHisll2E1MD/view?usp=sharing

## BUCK -

- Audition Song: "When I Drive"- Full Song
- Backing Track:

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• Sheet Music:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p1yNm63Qp\_5c-4jcRvgTny4BsVB\_eLdR/view?usp=sharing

#### **BLANCHE-**

- Audition Song: "You're Goin' Back to Jail" Full Song
- Backing Track:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Y9rTVfqeAs&list=RD4Y9rTVfqeAs&start\_radio=1

• Sheet Music:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y6cOcMHbowoKy9SmuTx5TPSwUaldQERj/view?usp=s haring

# **YOUNG BONNIE & YOUNG CLYDE**

- Audition Song: "Picture Show" <u>Full Song</u>
- Backing Track:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d44ey8yV9DA&list=RDd44ey8yV9DA&start\_radio =1

- Young Bonnie (start at beginning to 1:08
- Young Clyde (start at 1:09)
- Sheet Music:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/18BaB31zRP7N0Q1r1Q2EEdlcCOUMAJuOQ/view?usp=drive\_link

# **PREACHER & ENSEMBLE**

- Audition Song: "Made in America" Full Song
- Backing Track:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XRpSo2glzdl&list=RDXRpSo2glzdl&start\_radio=1

Sheet Music:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1grx92rhyf7tpKBJ4xJNcaNBP0z7sDWya/view?usp=drive\_link