



# Highcliffe Charity Players - CATS Character Descriptions

## Introduction

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Below are some **guideline** character descriptions. Don't worry too much about the playing age, we want to see **your interpretations of these characters** so anything you read here can be taken with a pinch of salt! As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to [email us!](#)

### GRIZABELLA

Playing age 35 – 55. Vocal Range: Soprano with a powerful belt to E-flat

Grizabella is a survivor, but she is vulnerable, and now outcast from the tribe. She was once very glamorous, but with age her beauty is fading. Sings “Memory”.

### OLD DEUTERONOMY

Playing age 35 – 55. Vocal Range: High Baritone/Tenor

Old Deuteronomy is the beloved leader of the tribe. A classical sound & vocal warmth. Must be able to express authority, dignity, wisdom, and humility – also great warmth and fun. Small amount of movement required.

## **JELLYLORUM**

Playing age 25 – 45. Vocal Range : Soprano

Jellylorum is practical and loving, a storyteller. Sings “Gus the Theatre Cat” with Gus, and appears as ‘Griddlebone’ in “The Ballad of Billy McCraw”.

## **BUSTOPHER JONES / GUS**

Playing age 31 – 55. Vocal Range: Operatic Tenor

Gus is the theatre cat – a fragile old cat who in his dreams becomes a swashbuckling pirate, who fights to his death. Some great comedic moments as well as a fun song.

## **JENNYANYDOTS**

Playing age 25 – 45. Vocal Range : Soprano

Jennyanydots is the ‘Gumbie Cat’. Motherly, an Edwardian ‘do-gooder’. This is a great character role with some nice musical moments. There is also a lot of comedy in this role. Must have strong tap dancing skills.

## **RUM RUM TUGGER**

Playing age 25 – 35. Vocal Range: Rock Tenor

Rum Tum Tugger is the ‘rock-star’ cat, with a wild comedic sexuality. Must be a charismatic performer with a fantastic rock/pop voice with very strong falsetto, (able to improvise and ad-lib vocally) great presence and good dance skills.

## **MUNKUSTRAP**

Playing age 25 – 35. Vocal Range: Baritone

The son of Old Deuteronomy, who takes the lead in his absence. Sings “Old Deuteronomy” and “The Pokes and the Pollicies”. A commanding presence is a must for this role!

## **SKIMBLESHANKS**

Playing age 25 – 35. Vocal Range: High Baritone/Tenor

Skimblehanks is the railway cat – a fastidious, neat and ordered cat, obsessed with punctuality and cleanliness, yet possessing a big heart and sense of exuberance. Must have authority and a bright personality.

## **BOMBALURINA**

Playing age 25 - 35. Vocal Notes: Strong High Belt

Bombalurina is one half of the duo who sings 'Macavity'. Tall and statuesque, a lightly sexual female, who is also a fierce protector of the tribe.

## **MR. MISTOFFELEES**

Playing age 20 - 32. Vocal Range: High Baritone

Mr. Mistoffelees is the magician – impish, with an expansive personality. This is a very exciting role, and requires some equally exciting dance moves. Gymnastic skills and tricks a plus.

## **DEMETER**

Playing age 21 - 30. Vocal Notes: Strong High Belot

Demeter is one half of the duo who sings 'Macavity'. A neurotic, but highly intuitive cat.

## **MUNGOJERRIE**

Playing age 20 - 25. Vocal Notes: High Baritone

Mungojerrie is one half of a notorious double act. He is cheeky, irreverent, young and full of energy. This a role with lots of dancing and bags of potential!

## **RUMPLETEAZER**

Playing age 20 - 25.

Rumpleteazer is one half of a notorious double act. She is cheeky, irreverent, young and full of energy. This role is a chance to be quirky, have some great dance moments alongside some fun vocals!

## **SYLLABUB**

Playing age 19 - 23.

Young, curious and loves life. Lots of dancing with a few solo vocal lines

## **VICTORIA**

Playing age 20 - 30.

Victoria is young, uninhibited and inquisitive. This is primarily a dancing role.