



Character Breakdown

Willy Wonka

Any Age, the sly, charming, eternally youthful star of the show; lithe, eccentric, and remarkably physical; must have the ability to be filled with boundless energy and be physically light on their feet; has a larger than life persona that can go from charming and comical, to magically mysterious and dark.

Charlie Bucket

Under 5' tall, sweet, smart, hopeful and loving; a boy with wonderful innocence and vulnerability; honest actor and an excellent singer with a naturally innocent, unchanged voice.

Grandpa Joe

Impish; remarkably physical (dance skills a plus); he is Charlie's imaginative, fun, kind and loving grandfather; after many years being confined to a bed, his childish energy returns when Charlie finds the Golden Ticket.

Mrs Bucket/Ensemble

Charlie's warm and kind-hearted mother; a worrier; generous and loving; great dancer; a distinctive pop/folk voice.

Mrs Gloop/Ensemble

Augustus's German, moronic, Wagnerian mother; a huge presence with a huge voice; mirthlessly smiles as though it were affixed to the front of her face.

Augustus Gloop/Ensemble

15-25, youthful adult male, to play a nine to twelve-year-old boy; rampantly over-active; speaks with a German accent.

Mr Salt/Ensemble

Veruca's goofy, eccentric, distracted, hilarious father; finds it impossible to say no, giving in to every ridiculous demand his daughter makes.

Veruca Salt/Ensemble

15-25, youthful adult female to play a nine to twelve-year-old girl; vicious and beautiful; must be an excellent dancer and/or gymnast, able to dance not only classical ballet, but also tear herself to shreds; comic actress with a character singing/screaming voice.

Mr Beauregarde/Ensemble

Violet's ineffectual father; ignores his back-talking, insult-hurling daughter; dancer with a soul/pop/R&B voice; beat-boxing skills a plus.

Violet Beauregarde/Ensemble

15-25, youthful adult female to play a nine to twelve-year-old girl; she has a huge pop/R&B; voice, as well as amazing hip-hop dance skills; confident, forward, and full of attitude.

Mrs Teevee/Ensemble

She needs tranquilizers to get through the day and deal with her outrageous son; tense, extreme, and hilarious;

Mike Teevee/Ensemble

15-25, youthful adult male to play a nine to twelve-year-old boy; a fireplug with a ridiculous amount of energy; square, powerful, and terrifying; a voice that cuts through steel.

Oompa Loompas

(Rudy, Malcolm, Rusty, Ismed, Angelo, Pepe):

Under 5 feet tall and at least 8 years old, singing, dancing, multi-dimensional creatures that partake in the joys of candy-making, and moralizing of human family dynamics.

Ensemble Roles Include: Grandpa George, Grandma Josephine, Grandma Georgina, Cherry, Jerry, Mrs. Green, Squirrels, etc