

Raytown Arts Council presents

**The Adventures of
TOM SAWYER**

Based on the Novel by Mark Twain

Conceived and Written by
KEN LUDWIG

Music and Lyrics by
DON SCHLITZ

Originally Produced on Broadway by
James M. Nederlander, James L. Nederlander, and Watt/Dobie Productions

Produced in cooperation with Music Theatre International

Directed by Nino Casisi
Music Direction by David Rogers
Choreography by Tracy McClung

Performance Location:

Raytown South High School
Performing Arts Center
8211 Sterling Ave
Raytown, MO 64138

Audition Location:

One Spirit United Methodist Church
7900 Blue Ridge Blvd
Kansas City, MO 64138
In the Sanctuary

2026 Performance Dates:

- July 17, 18, 24, 25 @ 7:30 pm
- July 19, 26 @ 2:30 pm

Audition Dates:

Friday March 13 6:00-9:00 pm
Saturday March 14 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Saturday March 21 10:00 am - 12:00 noon
Callbacks March 21 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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Rehearsal Schedule:

- Rehearsals will begin May 31st and run Monday through Thursday with some Saturday afternoons (Children will have specific, shortened rehearsals in June) at One Spirit United Methodist Church.
- July 6th we will move into the theater at Raytown High School. From that point the entire cast will be expected to attend each night.

Audition requirements People of all ages are invited!!

Adult Auditions:

- Prepare an upbeat song to sing from a Broadway musical (up to 2 min) or an upbeat folk song, bring sheet music or a minus track
- Prepare a humorous 2 minute monologue
- You may be asked to read a short scene from the script
- You will be asked to do a short dance segment to see how you move.

Youth Auditions:

- Prepare a song to sing (can be "Happy Birthday"); bring sheet music or a minus track
- You may be asked to read a poem, or a short scene from the script

Character Breakdown

Tom Sawyer. A boy on the verge of manhood full of mischief and hope, suffering greatly from the pangs of growing up. Likable, intelligent, intuitive and carefree.

Gender: male

Age: 12 to 14

Vocal range top: A4

Vocal range bottom: A2

Huckleberry Finn. Tom's best friend. He is stubborn, loyal, proud, and good-natured. Lives a life of free will and enjoys it that way.

Gender: male

Age: 12 to 15

Vocal range top: A4

Vocal range bottom: C3

Aunt Polly. Tom's Aunt. She tries to discipline and keep him in line but is at her wit's end. Ever so patient, she loves both Tom and Sid and does her best to single-handedly take care of them both.

Gender: female

Age: 40 to 50

Vocal range top: E5

Vocal range bottom: E3

Widow Douglas. A pretty, older woman of some wealth. Kind-hearted and giving, she offers Huck a home with a bed and cooked meals.

Gender: female

Age: 60 to 70

Vocal range top: E5

Vocal range bottom: A3

Sidney Sawyer. Tom's half-brother and an insufferable goody-goody who dislikes Tom and does everything he can to get him into trouble.

Gender: male

Age: 10 to 13

Vocal range top: A5

Vocal range bottom: E4

Ben Rogers. The ringleader of Tom's classmates. He is not as mischievous as Tom, but still a typical boy on the verge of manhood. Slightly jealous of Tom in an idolizing manner. (Optional doubling with SYDNEY SAWYER).

Gender: male

Age: 12 to 15

Vocal range top: A5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Joe Harper. A school friend of Tom. (Optional doubling with SHERIFF).

Gender: male

Age: 12 to 14

Vocal range top: A4

Vocal range bottom: B2

Lyle Peters. A school friend of Tom. (Optional doubling with MUFF POTTER).

Gender: male

Age: 12 to 14

Vocal range top: A4

Vocal range bottom: B2

Becky Thatcher. An utterly beautiful young woman. Bright, smart, youthful, and funny. She is the new girl in town and falls for Tom instantly.

Gender: female

Age: 12 to 15

Vocal range top: F5

Vocal range bottom: B3

Judge Thatcher. Becky's father. A widower trying to raise a girl as best he can. He is handsome and craggy. (Optional doubling with DOC ROBINSON and/or PAP).

Gender: male

Age: 40 to 50

Vocal range top: F4

Vocal range bottom: A2

Lemuel Dobbins. The schoolmaster and village demagogue. Comic relief. Prides himself on being strict but has a soft, poetic side as well. (Optional doubling with JOSHUA SPRAGUE).

Gender: male

Age: 25 to 45

Vocal range top: E4

Vocal range bottom: B2

Joshua Sprague. Eagle-eyed and severe. He is the village Reverend. Stately and poised preaching with a 'fire and brimstone' mindset, full of passion and verve. (Optional doubling with LEMUEL DOBBINS).

Gender: male
Age: 40 to 50
Vocal range top: E4
Vocal range bottom: B2

Ol' Man Joe. A proud, bitter, downtrodden man whose sharp face and hollow cheeks makes him look like death himself. Half Native American and half white, he has been treated with contempt his whole life. He now has a heart as black as wood smoke. The name "Injun Joe" is from the Mark Twain novel this musical is based on. Because of the derogatory nature of the word "Injun", the authors have approved of the option to change the character's name to "Ol' Man Joe".

Gender: male
Age: 40 to 50
Vocal range top: E4
Vocal range bottom: D3

Muff Potter. A vagrant and derelict drunk. Not a bad man, he just doesn't have the backbone to say no when others lead him astray. (Optional doubling with LYLE PETERS).

Gender: male
Age: 60 to 70
Vocal range top: E4
Vocal range bottom: D3

Doc Robinson. A pompous, unpleasant man with a chip on his shoulder. He is bossy, thieving, and impatient. An all around "bad guy." (Optional doubling with JUDGE THATCHER and/or PAP).

Gender: male
Age: 45 to 55
Vocal range top: F4
Vocal range bottom: E3

Pap. The town drunk and Huck's father. (Optional doubling with JUDGE THATCHER and/or DOC ROBINSON).

Gender: male
Age: 40 to 50

Sheriff. The town's law enforcement. (Optional doubling with JOE HARPER).

Gender: male
Age: 20 to 30

Ensemble. Various members of the cast in the group numbers. TOWNSPEOPLE, etc.

