

## ***The Sound of Music (SOM) – About the Musical***

It would be a very good idea to rent the movie and watch it to familiarize yourself with the various roles and overall story. Note: The musical is shorter than the movie and does not include all the movie scenes.

Here are some links to watch parts of The Sound of Music from a production in London.

Go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) Search for the following: "Sound of Music" London 2006

You can watch several clips of the stage play in London which is very well done.

### **Synopsis**

The final collaboration between Rodgers & Hammerstein was destined to become the world's most beloved musical. When a postulant proves too high-spirited for the religious life, she is dispatched to serve as governess for the seven children of a widowed naval Captain. Her growing rapport with the youngsters, coupled with her generosity of spirit, gradually captures the heart of the stern Captain, and they marry. Upon returning from their honeymoon they discover that Austria has been invaded by the Nazis, who demand the Captain's immediate service in their navy. The family's narrow escape over the mountains to Switzerland on the eve of World War II provides one of the most thrilling and inspirational finales ever presented in the theatre. The motion picture version remains the most popular movie musical of all time.

### **CHARACTERS**

- 1 **Maria Rainer** - a Postulant at Nonnberg Abbey
- 2 **The Mother Abbess**
- 3 Sister Berthe - Mistress of Novices
- 4 Sister Margaretta - Mistress of Postulants
- 5 Sister Sophia
- 6 **Captain Georg von Trapp**
- 7 Franz - the butler
- 8 Frau Schmidt - the housekeeper
- 9 **Liesl von Trapp** - age 16
- 10 **Friedrich von Trapp** - age 14
- 11 **Louisa von Trapp** - age 13
- 12 **Kurt von Trapp** - age 10
- 13 **Brigitta von Trapp** - age 9

- 14 **Marta von Trapp** - age 7
- 15 **Gretl von Trapp** - the youngest
- 16 **Rolf Gruber** - age 17
- 17 **Elsa Schraeder**
- 18 Ursula
- 19 **Max Detweiler**
- 20 Herr Zeller
- 22 Baron Elberfeld
- 23 A New Postulant
- 24 Admiral von Schreiber
- 25+ Neighbors of Captain von Trapp, nuns, novices, postulants, and contestants at the Festival Concert

### **Musical Numbers**

- ▶ **1. Preludium** (The Nuns Of the Nonnberg Abbey)
- ▶ **2. The Sound Of Music** (Maria)
- ▶ **3. Maria** (Sisters Berthe, Sophia, Margaretta and Mother Abbess)
- ▶ **4. My Favorite Things** (Maria and Mother Abbess)
  5. My Favorite Things (Reprise) (Maria and Mother Abbess)
- ▶ **6. Do-Re-Mi** (Maria and the Von Trapp Children)
- ▶ **7. Sixteen Going on Seventeen** (Rolf and Liesl)
- ▶ **8. The Lonely Goatherd** (Maria and the Children)
  9. The Lonely Goatherd (Reprise) (Maria and the Children)
- ▶ **10. How Can Love Survive** (Max, Elsa and Capt. Von Trapp)
- ▶ **11. The Sound Of Music (Reprise)** (The Children and Capt. Von Trapp)
- ▶ **12. So Long, Farewell** (The Children and Capt. Von Trapp)
  13. Morning Hymn (The Children and Capt. Von

- ▶ **14. Climb Ev'ry Mountain** (Mother Abbess and the Nuns)
  15. My Favorite Things (Mother Abbess and the Nuns)
- ▶ **16. No Way To Stop It** (Elsa, Max and Capt. Von Trapp)
- ▶ **17. An Ordinary Couple** (Maria and Capt. Von Trapp)
- ▶ **18. Gadeamus Domino** (The Nuns)
  19. Maria (Reprise) (The Nuns)
  20. Confitemini Domino (The Nuns)
- ▶ **21. Sixteen Going on Seventeen (Reprise)** (Maria and Liesl)
  22. Do-Re-Mi (Reprise) (Maria and Liesl)
- ▶ **23. Edelweiss** (Capt. Von Trapp, Maria and the Children)
  24. So Long, Farewell (Reprise) (Capt. Von Trapp, Maria and the Children)
- ▶ **25. Finale Ultimo** (The Company)

## ***The Sound of Music (SOM) – Important Info***

**Producer:** Steve Thompson  
**Acting Directors:** Ilka Vogt, Dianna Fast  
**Vocal Directors:** Beth Koyanagi, Ron Koyanagi  
**Orchestra Director:** Music Teacher #2, Ron Koyanagi



### **Show Schedule:**

2010 Vancouver Olympics: February 12-28 (Paralympics March 12-21)  
Spring Break Dates: Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>  
Europe Trip Dates: March 2<sup>nd</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>  
Easter: Easter Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup> to Monday March 5<sup>th</sup>  
Show Schedule: Staging in Small Gym: Saturday February 20<sup>th</sup>  
  
Staging Set in large gym: Friday March 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup>  
  
Dress Rehearsals: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Dress/Show: \_\_\_\_\_ elementary kids?  
  
Shows: Thursday to Saturday April 8-10 (3 soirees & a Saturday matinee)  
Thursday to Saturday April 15-17 (3 soirees & a Saturday matinee)  
  
Cast Party: Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup>  
Set-Down: Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>

**Rehearsal Schedule:** Every Wednesday after school from 2:00-5:00 pm

Saturday Workshops: Last Saturday of October 31<sup>st</sup>, November 28<sup>th</sup>, January 30<sup>th</sup>, February 27<sup>th</sup>

**Orchestra:** Run by Music Teacher #2

Mixture of our students & people from the community & pros

Orchestra practices on Wednesdays 2-4 beginning in January

**Auditions:** Friday September 25<sup>th</sup> 3-7 pm, Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup> 9 am to 4 pm (?)

We will require lots of parent help especially in the areas of costumes, house (door, refreshments, sales), ticket sales, publicity, LFES elementary school liaison, supervision at rehearsals and shows, accountant, etc....

Please contact me, Steve Thompson regarding anything you could help with or any questions regarding the show.

Steve Thompson, SOM producer [titansmusic@gmail.com](mailto:titansmusic@gmail.com)

# The Sound of Music – Application Form

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Next Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your music, drama, dance experience: \_\_\_\_\_

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Which role(s) do you wish to audition for? List in priority order. Not all roles are solo singing roles.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Chorus only please: \_\_\_ (you don't have to do an individual audition for the chorus)

Are you willing to be assigned a role or be in the chorus if you do not get one that you applied for? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to make Wednesday afternoons after school from 2-5 pm? And 4 Saturday rehearsals? \_\_\_\_\_

In February to April the rehearsals will be more frequent as we approach the show.

Are you interested in other behind-the-scenes type of involvement? Some of these can also be done if you are in the show as an actor or chorus.

- \_\_\_ Orchestra (indicate instrument \_\_\_\_\_)
- \_\_\_ Set-up: props, set building, painting, staging
- \_\_\_ Costumes & Make-up
- \_\_\_ Tech Crew (indicate – Sound \_\_\_ Lighting \_\_\_ Media \_\_\_)
- \_\_\_ Stage Crew (stage managing, stage hands - set moving, flies, backstage cues)
- \_\_\_ Ticket Sales & promotion (selling tickets, delivering posters, etc..)
- \_\_\_ House (refreshments, door, ushering, merchandise sales)
- \_\_\_ Graphic design (posters, program, etc...)
- \_\_\_ Photography & Videography (photos, videos of show)

Please sign and have your parent sign to indicate your awareness of the commitment to practicing and performing *The Sound of Music*.

Visit the website: [www.titansmusic.com](http://www.titansmusic.com) and click on the SOM link for info about auditions and show dates. The show will run at the beginning of April.

**Please return your completed form to Mr. Thompson by Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.**