

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Plot:

An old testament story told entirely through song, Joseph... follows the story of Jacob's favorite son, Joseph. After being sold into slavery by his brothers, Joseph ingratiates himself with Egyptian noble Potiphar but ends up in jail after refusing the amorous advances of Potiphar's wife. While imprisoned, Joseph discovers his ability to interpret dreams, and he soon finds himself in front of the mighty but troubled, Elvis-inspired, Pharaoh. Joseph's solution to Egypt's famine elevates him to Pharaoh's right-hand man and reunites him with his family. The magical musical is full of catchy songs including the unforgettable classics "Any Dream Will Do" and "Close Every Door."

Character Breakdown:

JOSEPH:

Male, Tenor – Eleventh and favorite son of Jacob. Confident and charming. Vocally strong.

NARRATORS:

Females, Soprano – The audience's guides through the story. The narrators tell Joseph's story with word and song. Can command the stage while directing focus to story elements. Strong singers with great energy.

PHARAOH:

Male or Female, Baritone or Mezzo – Egypt's ruler, considered a god on earth. Searching for the meaning behind his/her dreams. Portrayed as a world-famous rock star. Full of energy and confidence. May also be cast as a member of the greater ensemble.

POTIPHAR:

Male, Baritone – Rich, self-indulgent, and sophisticated Egyptian capitalist. Makes Joseph the leader of his household. Strong character actor with a powerful speaking voice. May also be cast as a member of the greater ensemble.

MRS. POTIPHAR:

Female, Alto – Indulgent and confident in her pursuit of what she wants, which at this time happens to be Joseph. May also be cast as a member of the greater ensemble.

JACOB:

Male, Baritone – Aged father of Joseph and his 11 brothers. Strong character actor who can sing and move well.

BUTLER:

Male or Female, Tenor or Mezzo – Pharaoh's right hand. While in jail, Joseph interprets the Butler's dreams to a positive outcome. May also be cast as a member of the greater ensemble.

BAKER:

Male or Female, Tenor or Mezzo – Head of Pharaoh's kitchen. While in jail, Joseph interprets the Baker's dreams to a less-than-positive outcome. May also be cast as a member of the greater ensemble. JOSEPH'S

11 BROTHERS:

Male or Female, Various Ranges – Jealous of Joseph being their father's favorite son. Skilled dancers and singers. Will also double as general ensemble in some scenes.

WIVES:

Female, Various Ranges – The 11 wives of Joseph's 11 brothers. Skilled dancers and singers. Will also double as general ensemble in some scenes.

ENSEMBLE:

Male and Female, Various Ranges – Actors, singers, and dances serving as Ishmaelites, Egyptians, Canaanites, and other characters within Joseph's story.

This cast will consist of 30-38 performers total.