

Let's Rock!

Production notes

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PRODUCTION notes

Rock Creek Park

The **Let's Rock!** set is very simple. The set should be a park-like setting. You will want to have a rock wall, which has been knocked down. You could also add small trees and flowers. Another great touch could be a green carpet or fake grass or a green carpet. Often items like this can be borrowed from your local nursery. You could also add some playground equipment ... see-saw, swing, etc. Also, an arch saying, ROCK CREEK PARK would add to the setting.

You could create a sky backdrop displaying a sun. It would look great to place the actual logo ... Let's Rock! ... in the sun.

To create fake rock, use Styrofoam squares that have been shaved to be rounded on the edges. Spray paint the Styrofoam gray. Or you could use bricks, blocks or rocks to create the wall.

The following is the layout of the set.

Black Curtain and "Let's Rock" Logo

Risers

Park Scene

Risers

soloists

soloists

x x

x x

cast

Casting Ideas

The joy of the musical, ***Let's Rock!***, is that it can be accomplished with any size choir. If your choir is large and you need more characters, you can add more children working in the park. You could also add more lighting and sound people who enter to shoot the music video with Max. Also, you could add a brother or sister to Ruby...splitting her character.

You could also split the main characters and actually double your cast. Also, divide solos or turn off the split track and create more solos. Add movement groups for each song. Be creative and go for it! Make those children happy and give them parts.

For the medium size choir this musical is perfect just as it is. You will see that there is a nice balance of characters. But again, do not be afraid to change a boy to a girl if you have more girls than boys in your choir.

Even for that small choir of even just 12 or 13 children, this musical is excellent. Use adults for Max and Mrs. Stone. Giving every child some kind of special part will encourage attendance and participation. Pray and God will lead you to the right decisions.

CAST LIST

Max Rockanelli - older boy - speaks and sings - Christian rock star, wise and mature
*biggest role, may also be performed by youth or young adult

Taylor - older girl, speaks - helpful, friendly person

Miss Stone - adult character (may be played by child or teen) speaks
kids choir director, normal, not over-the-top or goofy

Jazz - older girl, speaks and sings - star struck, slightly a vocal diva but means well

Sam - older boy, speaks and sings - star struck guitarist, not smarty but misguided

Charlie - older boy, speaks and sings - star struck drummer, not smarty but misguided
has a solo where he sings off key

Worthington Billingham - older boy - speaks - he is slightly nerdy with allergies
he is the comic role and needs to have a personality

Ruby - younger or older girl - speaks - neighbor at the park, is excited to meet new friends, sweet

Stephie Steelburg - older girl - speaks - she's an over-the-top Hollywood director type

Sarah - younger girl, speaks three brief lines

Candy - younger girl, speaks two brief two lines

Most, if not all parts, can be interchangeable, played by either a boy or girl.

main cast and costuming

Actors

Max Rockanelli – Max should wear jeans and a solid back musician style shirt. He could also wear sunglasses. Max should look “cool.”

Taylor – Taylor should wear a “Let’s Rock!” T-shirt and jeans or just any kid’s shirt and jeans. Another would be to dress all the kids from the church in a church T-shirt. You may want to add work gloves, hard hat, and construction vest to create a workman look.

Miss Stone – Miss Stone should wear a Church Staff T-shirt and jeans. She should look like she is ready to work.

Jazz – Jazz should wear a “Let’s Rock!” T-shirt and jeans or just any kid’s shirt and jeans. Another would be to dress Jazz in a shirt with sparkle music notes. You could create this with a T-shirt transfer, clip art, and glue on jewels. Add a boa or sparkles to Jazz’s clothing to give her the Diva look. You may want to add work gloves, hard hat, and construction vest to create a workman look. If you add the construction accessories, you may want to add jewels to these items as well.

Charlie – Charlie should wear a “Let’s Rock!” T-shirt and jeans or just any kid’s shirt and jeans. Another would be to dress Charlie in a shirt with a drum logo on the front. You could create this with a T-shirt transfer and clip art. You may want to add work gloves, hard hat, and construction vest to create a workman look.

Worthington Billingham – Worthington should dress nerdy with a button down shirt and glasses. Maybe even dress pants.

Ruby – Ruby should wear a regular kid’s shirt and jeans.

Stephie Steelburg – Stephie should wear solid black, sunglasses, and a black baseball cap that says director.

Sarah and Candy – Sarah and Candy should wear a “Let’s Rock!” T-shirt and jeans or just any kid’s shirt and jeans.

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Pretend rocks that can be stacked

Pretend or real guitar

Tissues

MOVEMENT IDEAS

SPECIALTY MOVEMENT TEAMS'

PROPS AND COSTUMING

Song 1: This Is the Day _____

Choir Prop

Work gloves and Baseball Caps

Purchase inexpensive work gloves from your local gardening center. Baseball caps can be ordered through Personalized Gifts and Apparel, online, or through your local sporting goods store.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

Bug Costumes—You may purchase bug costumes...butterflies, bees, etc...from your local party store OR simply purchase wings for the children to wear with solid running suits. For bees, just add yellow duct tape strips to create the bumble bee stripes.

Fake Flowers—You may purchase fake flowers at your local discount store.

Orange Bandanas—Bandanas could also be used to shake during this song.

Garden Equipment—Any garden equipment that is not dangerous could be danced with during this song.

NOTE: The time to purchase garden equipment is when it is on sale. Purchase the equipment at the end of the season or you may want to ask for your local discount garden store to donate these items.

Song 2: I'm a Star _____

Choir Prop

Stars on hands—Trace hand size stars from the pattern provided onto shiny poster board. Cut out. Attach elastic rings to the back of the star with strong duct or packing tape.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

Paparazzi with camera or Bodyguards—You may want to add other characters like Paparazzi to create special movement.

Limo—To create a limo, assemble two boxes leaving the top and bottom open. Use one top flap to cut into a windshield. Wrap this windshield frame with black duct tape. Cover the outside of the boxes with black paper or spray paint black. Purchase decorative records from your local party store and cover the center with aluminum foil to create tires. Place tires on both of the boxes. Connect the two boxes with black plastic table cloths so the limo when worn by children can turn abrupt turns...as in cartoon limos. You may want to add a 'STAR Limo' on the side of the front section of the car. Also, you could purchase red light bulbs to place on the back of the limo to create tail lights and punch-on lights to create the headlights. The doors and bumper can be drawn with silver permanent markers or paint. We also added a license plate that said "STAR" which was created on the computer.

Boas, sequin dress, big sunglasses—You may want to add girl dancers that wear Boas, sequin dresses, big sunglasses, make-up mirrors. The more glamorous the better.

Red Carpet and Hollywood Decorations—With this scene a red carpet would also be great.

Rock Star with fans—You may want to add more rock stars and even fans to this scene. The rock stars could be dressed in black and the fans in normal clothing with cameras.

Boa Streamer—Cut a boa you purchase at a local party store into a 2-3 foot length and attach it to a 12 inch dowel rod.

Boa Shaker—Cut a boa you purchase at a local party store into a 6 inch foot length and attach it to a craft stick.

Boa Plate—Cut a boa you purchase at a local party store into a length that will fit around a plastic plate. Tape or glue the boa piece onto the edge of the plate.

Star Plate—Trace stars from the pattern provided on to shiny poster board. Cut out. Attach to a colorful plastic plate.

Song 3: The Audition _____

Choir Prop

Neon Sunglasses—Purchase cool sunglasses from your local party store, online, or from Personalized Gifts and Apparel.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

1-10 cards—Create 1- 10 Rating Cards on the computer using bright colored cardstock paper.

Song 4: You be You _____

Choir Prop

Bright colored Shakers—Create or purchase bright colored shakers. To create the shakers, purchase 15 " foil table skirting and wrap a 6" piece around a craft stick and tape in place.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

U B U flip cards that flip to I'll Be ME—Create these flip cards on the computer using card stock paper. REMEMBER TO PRINT THE SIDES OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS SO THEY WILL FLIP PROPERLY.

U B U Signs—Create the U B U body signs by cutting letters from colorful poster board and taping onto a large heavy poster board or foam board. The front should say, U B U and the back should say "I'll BE ME." Punch holes in the tops of both posters. Attach the front to the back with elastic or string strung through the holes.

Song 5: Work Together _____

Choir Prop

Workman hats and vest and gloves—Purchase plastic workman hats from your local party store or online. Also purchase inexpensive plastic workman vests and workman gloves from your local garden or discount store.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

Bucket Brigade or Bucket Drums—A bucket brigade or a bucket drum set would be fun. Purchase inexpensive bright colored buckets from your local department store or simply borrow buckets.

Body Part poster—Create the Body Part Posters by cutting body part shapes from colorful poster board and taping onto a large heavy poster board or foam board. We found parts on the computer to copy, but if you are not great at drawing or copying art, you can take the art to a local copy store to enlarge.

Song 6: I Will Glorify _____

Choir Prop

Ribbon Streamers (Short)—Cut 12 inch pieces of colorful ribbon and attach to a craft stick.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

Ribbon Dancers Long...with colorful shirt—Cut 2-3 feet of color ribbon and attach it to a dowel rod. You may also want to add a colorful...possibly tie-dyed T-shirt...to these dancers.

Giant Tissue Paper Flowers—To create the giant flowers, lay 6 pieces of bright colored tissue paper in a stack. Fold from the shorter side as a fan until one long strip. Fold in the middle and place a chenille wire around the middle. Gently pull out the tissue paper until all the layers are fluffed. You may want to place them on a dowel rod that is covered with green painter's tape or spray paint the dowel green. You could make a stand with a hole in a square of wood or use a funnel as a base. OR simply have the children dance with the flowers.

Orange and Green Fabric—Another fun addition to this song would be to have children dance with orange and green fabric. Cut the fabric into 2' or 3 foot lengths.

Song 7: That's What I See _____

Choir Prop

Flashlight—A great movement prop that will emphasize the meaning of this song is a flashlight. You may purchase flashlights online, at your local discount store, or through Personalized Gifts and Apparel.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

Flashlight mirror with Cross—Purchase a small hand mirror and place a cardboard cross in the center of the mirror. Tape the flashlight to the handle. This would be a great movement prop for a small group.

Flashlight Star—There are many shaped pop-on battery powered lights available today. Look for a star shaped light to use as another prop idea.

Song 8: No Rock _____

Choir Prop

Workman hats, gloves, vests—Use the movement props from Song 5.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

Hula hoop with ribbon—A hula hoop with metallic table skirting on half the hoop will be great on stage in a small group experience. Just cut a 2 foot piece of skirting and tape onto a green hula hoop with clear packing tape.

Shakers that match hula hoop—You may want to add shakers which match the hoops. To create the shakers, purchase 15 " foil table skirting and wrap a 6" piece around a craft stick and tape in place.

Pretend Instruments—You may also want to add a group of kids playing pretend instruments. These can be created by copying shapes from computer clip art on to poster board. OR pretend blow up instruments can be purchased at your local party store or online.

Song 9 Let's Rock! _____

Choir Prop

Neon Shakers—Use the shakers from Song 4.

Additional Movement Prop Idea

Orange Plate with green fringe—You can also create a fun finale style movement prop by simply taping green metallic table skirting around the edge of a bright colored plastic plate. Use clear packing tape so the tape will not show.

Sparkle Shakers—Another great finale style movement prop would be sparkle shakers. Purchase metallic center pieces from your local party store. Tape a dowel rod in the center to form a handle.

Solos

The solos listed are just suggestions. Feel free to add or subtract solos to fit your needs. To add solos using the split track, simply turn down the fader on your sound board that controls the recorded vocals.

Song	Solo
This Is the Day	none
I'm a Star	Jazz (sung) Sam (sung) Charlie (spoken)
The Audition	Charlie (sung)
You Be You	none
Work Together	1 solo
I Will Glorify	2 solos
That's What I See.....	1 solo
No Rock.....	1 solo
Let's Rock!.....	Max (solo)

Microphone Needs

It would be good to have a cordless lavalier microphone for each main character. Hand-held microphones can be used as a substitute. Place two solo microphones on stands stage left and stage right to accommodate the solos.

Scripture References

THIS IS THE DAY

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24

I'M A STAR

"In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves." Phil 2:3

THE AUDITION

"Am I now trying to win the approval of men, or of God? Or am I trying to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a servant of Christ." Galatians 1:10

YOU BE YOU

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." Psalm 139:13-14

WORK TOGETHER

"The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ." 1 Corinthians 12:12

I WILL GLORIFY

"I will praise you, O Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever." Psalm 86:12

THAT'S WHAT I SEE

And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image. 2 Cor. 3:18 (NLT)

NO ROCK

"'I tell you,' he replied, 'if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.'" Luke 19:40

LET'S ROCK!

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship." Romans 12:1