

BIG FISH CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

It is possible that we will cast Old and Young versions of Edward, Sandra, and possibly Jenny. For Edward and Sandra, the potential song division is listed below.

All cast members will appear in surprising ways throughout the entire show!

Edward – A charming, charismatic storyteller. A devoted yet absent father nearing the end of his life and wanting to reconnect with his son. He is comfortable in his own skin, but hopes for Will's approval. He loves his wife, his son, and telling stories. *Needs a big voice and serious character acting. Plays ages ranging from young father to older sick man.*
Songs: Be the Hero, ^[1]~~[1]~~Red White and True, Fight the Dragons, Showdown, What's Next, How It Ends

Young Edward – An enthusiastic, optimistic, energetic romantic. Very charismatic, a good salesman. He is the quintessential hometown boy hero. *Needs a big voice. Plays ages ranging from high school to late 20s/early 30s. Very good mover.*
Songs: Out There on the Road, Time Stops, Closer to Her, Daffodils, ^[1]~~[1]~~Red White and True, Start Over

Sandra – Patient, calm, the perfect balance to Edward's enthusiasm. She adores and appreciates Edward and tries to bring reconciliation to her husband and son. *Strong singer and actor.*
Songs: Two Men in My Life, I Don't Need a Roof

Young Sandra – A sweet, innocent young girl excited by the possibilities of life. She appreciates Edward's romantic viewpoint. *Strong singing and dance ability.*
Songs: Alabama Lamb, Time Stops, Daffodils, ^[1]~~[1]~~Red White and True

Will – An earnest, thoughtful young man wanting to reconnect with his father, but unable to appreciate Edward's romantic view of life. He is a successful professional, new husband, and expectant father. *Strong tenor voice and dramatic actor.*

Young Will – To play approximately 10 years old. Edward's son, precocious and intelligent. Is told all of Edward's fantastic tales, isn't quite sure if they're real.

Josephine – Will's wife. Successful, intelligent, new bride and expectant mother. Josephine acts as the bridge between Edward and Will.

Karl – Edward's best friend. Karl is shy, exceptionally intelligent, hermit-like, and has a quiet charisma. He needs a booming voice and large personality. *Bass. Will need to be comfortable walking on stilts.*

Amos – Eccentric owner of the circus that employs young Edward. Aldo, a werewolf. Strong, outgoing personality and humor.

Witch – Mysterious and knowledgeable. Convinces Edward to pursue a big life without fear. *Big belt voice.*

Young Jenny Hill – Edward’s devoted, first girlfriend. A dreamer. *Big voice and dance ability.*

Adult Jenny Hill – Very tired, disillusioned version of the younger Jenny. She has dignity and honesty. She is crucial in helping Will understand Edward and Edward’s motivations. *Serious acting role.*

Don Price – Snarky bully. Sandra’s first fiancé.

Zacky Price – Nerdy brother and shadow of Don Price.

Doctor Bennett – Warm, kind, but frank. Edward’s friend and physician.

Alabama Lambs – Young Sandra’s friends. Perform with Sandra at the circus. *Strong singing and dance skills.*

Others:

Most have solo lines, all have featured moments and will pop up throughout the entire show.

Will’s Son

Mermaid

Witches

Circus Performers

Sandra Dance Double for “Time Stops”

Fisherman

Ashton Mayor

Ashton Residents

University Students

Young Scouts

Dancing Fire (hopefully en pointe)

USO Girls (tap dancers)

General Patterson

Red Fang, WWII villain

WWII Soldiers

Cowboys/Saloon Girls

Old West Judge

Doctors and Nurses