

Audition Script for Mary (the mother of Jesus)

MARY is sweet, kind, optimistic and very outgoing. She is extremely inquisitive about the angelic news. However, she does want some kind of credentials to know that the angel is authentic (Luke 1:29) with this troubling and unusual news. She must appear very young

Mary Soft music is playing. There is already a couch on stage. THEN, stage hands push a comfy chair out on stage - Mary is curled up in the chair listening to her I-Pod and typing on her Laptop that's sitting on her lap. She has Brides Magazines with her. She holds one up to read it. The audience can see what it is. She says

Mary "This is it! The perfect dress...I gotta tell my Facebook friends!"

As she begins to type, she starts humming the tune to *"goin' to the Chapel and I'm gonna get married..."*

Minstrels (Pop up from behind the couch – one is wearing a wedding veil - and sing along with Marys humming – Mary is oblivious to them because of the I-Pod in her ear)

"Goin to the Chapel and she's gonna get mar ar ar ar ied."

(hide behind the couch again)

Gabe (Gabe walks on stage – approaches a imaginary doorway and pretends to knock.)

Hello! Hello! Is anybody home?

(Gabe is waiting at the portal, checking his watch, checking the address again, waiting for her to answer while the Minstrels are finishing changing hats)

Total about face from the Minstrels – changing quickly behind the couch inin to a wide brim monk type hat or bald head with hair and then getting very serious when they see Agent Gabriel

Minstrels: (recitation of Luke 1:26-28a)
Still behind the couch - Sung in a very serious – Gregorian style Chant

In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel went to her and...

Mary (Removes ear phones and kindly responds as soon as the Minstrels say “and”)

Come in! The door is open.

Minstrels (3 stooges style “Hellooooo, Hellooooo, Helloooo...Hello!”)

Gabe (Reading from an index card)

Greetings you are highly favored! The Lord is with you!

Minstrels (stand and sing) “*The Lord is with you*” (hide again)

Mary (Mary's response is cheery and bright) Well that is a nice thing to say. (to the audience and says "Odd...but nice.")

Mary (Back to Gabe says) Thank you very much!

Gabe (A little hesitant) Hi, are you the Virgin Mary?

Minstrels (stand and sing with big gestures) *The Virgin Mary*

Gabe Wildly gestures to get out of here! Minstrels scramble off stage fast. He turns his attention back to Mary as if nothing had just happened.

Mary (A bit embarrassed by the greeting) Well...that is a very personal question, but... yes, I am.

Gabe I think you better sit down for this.

Mary (Deep concern) Has something awful happened? My parents? Joseph? Is Joey all right?

Gabe Joe..y is fine....at least I hope he is... I am planning to go to his place next. But, I think you better sit down Miss.

Mary (A little bewildered) OK, but I can't imagine what the problem is.

Gabe (Stuttering in a Rapper Cadence) Mmmmary, you yyyou are going to hhhhave a.... a.... a ba..ba...

Mary (Trying to help) (Wow, I'm not really into rap, do you know any show tunes?") Just, spit it out. Its okay.

Gabe Ba...ba...(bolsters strength and with rapid fire) baby by the Holy Spirit of God and you will name him Jesus and he will be great and be called the son of the most high! Whew, I said it.

Mary (Stands up. New tone of voice...tougher and bewildered with hands on her hips – like Beyonce) Say what!?! I don't know who you are but you better leave right now, or I am going to call the...

Gabe No, wait a minute....I need a seat. (moves over and sits down in her chair) This is not easy for me.

Mary Easy for you? What about me? How in the world is this supposed to happen? By the way... who are you?

Gabe (Stands at attention) I am Gabriel, Angel Agent 0007, (Pulling out wallet) here is my photo ID, my badge and a ahhhh...library card... you ought to see the library we have up there, it is great... ☺ I mean not just books but the people reading them to you, you know that _____ fellow? A LOT nicer than people gave him credit for....

Any way, (pointing up) the Chief sent me and said to tell you that he will be with you. If you have any problems you need to e-mail your cousin Elizabeth - she will back me up. Oh yeah, and remember one thing: "With God nothing is impossible."

Well listen, I would love to stay and chat, but I have to go. (Looking at his phone) By the way, do you know where I could find the hillside condominiums near Bethlehem? I'm having a terrible time getting a signal out here and without Map Quest, I'm lost. (Exits)

Mary (**Lights dim** with a spot only on Mary. **Soft music begins to play**. She kneels facing the audience prays toward heaven:)

Father, my soul glorifies you. And my spirit rejoices in you my Savior for you have been mindful of the humble state of your servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed for You, the Mighty One has done this great thing not just for me, but for all people everywhere--- holy, holy is your name.