

Smithsonian Discovery Theater is casting for its upcoming season as well as replacement actors for an ongoing in-gallery performance at the National Museum of American History. All roles PAID. All actors must be 18+. Must be available for weekday daytime rehearsals and performances. See character and show descriptions below:

How Old is a Hero?

(Rehearsals: January 2018 Performances/Tour: February-March 2018)

Segregation, activism and civil rights history are brought to life through the lives of Ernest Green (of the Little Rock Nine), Claudette Colvin (of the Montgomery Bus Boycott), and little Ruby Bridges.

Casting 2 Roles: African-American actors to portray Ernest Green and Ruby Bridges. Experience teaching or performing for young audiences preferred, but not required.

Meeting Mr. Lincoln

(Rehearsals: November 2017 Performances: November 2017 & February 2018)

What would you say if you met President Lincoln? The audience helps to figure it out -- and then gets to meet Honest Abe in person in this one-of-a-kind interactive play about identity, equality and the human connection.

Casting 2 roles: One African-American actress to portray Eliza Williams, a young seamstress in the Lincoln White House, and one Caucasian actor to play Caleb, the son of local furniture maker. The role of Lincoln has already been cast.

The Nation We Build Together

(Performances: September 2017 – September 2018; rotating cast as necessary)

How did student activists participate in the ongoing process of building America? The Nation We Build Together contextualizes the Greensboro Lunch Counter as an icon of the civil rights movement and an emblem of the transformative power Americans have to create the nation in which they want to live. The 30 minute interactive play transports visitors to a nonviolent protest training session a few weeks after the original sit-in that occurred at the F. W Woolworth store in Greensboro, North Carolina on February 1, 1960.

Casting Replacement Actors: Male and Female African-American actors to portray student activists and young civil rights leaders. Actors will be added to a rotating roster of performers, based on availability and museum performance schedule.

If interested, please submit your headshot and resume to: DTinfo@si.edu.