



Photo of the cast by Carol Rosegg.

# **The Characters of *A Christmas Carol***

## **Sensory-Friendly Performance**

# Character Descriptions



Photo of Craig Wallace by Carol Rosegg.

## **EBENEZER SCROOGE**

A selfish, bitter, cold-hearted man who hates Christmas. He values money above everything else. He thinks kindness and charity are a waste of time and money.



Photo of Jonathan Atkinson by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## **BOB CRATCHIT**

A kind, hardworking man. He has worked for Scrooge for many years. He makes barely enough money to support his large family. He loves his family, especially his youngest child, Tiny Tim, very much.



Photo of Michael Bunce and Tyler Herman by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## **SOLICITORS**

Two men who ask for holiday donations for the poor. People often give money to charities during the holiday season.



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Photo of John Floyd by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## FRED

Scrooge's nephew and only family member. He is jolly and kind and loves Christmas. Fred's mother, Fan, was Scrooge's beloved sister. Fan died soon after Fred was born. Scrooge has never been close with Fred.



Photo of Joe Mallon, Justine "Icy" Moral and Rayanne Gonzales by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## CLOCK VENDOR, DOLL VENDOR, FRUIT VENDOR

Each of these people are trying to sell goods to the people of London—antique dolls, fruits and nuts for a feast, or new inventions and technology. They each owe Scrooge a lot of money. Instead of repaying him on Christmas Eve, they each give him one of their goods— a special doll, a jug of cider and a steam-powered clock.



Photo of the 2022 young cast by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## CHILDREN SINGING CAROLS

A group of children singing Christmas carols outside shops and on street corners to make money.

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Photo of Kristen Garaffo by Carol Rosegg.

## **BEGGAR WOMAN**

A woman with a baby who begs for money in the street.



Photo of Michael Bunce by Carol Rosegg.

## **UNDERTAKER**

A person whose job is to prepare dead bodies for funeral and burial.



Photo of Maria Egler by Scott Suchman.

## **MRS. DILBER**

Scrooge's housekeeper. She is upbeat but frustrated by Scrooge.

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Photo of Stephen F. Schmidt by Scott Suchman.

## **GHOST OF JACOB MARLEY**

Jacob Marley was Scrooge's friend and business partner. He died seven years ago on Christmas Eve. Marley cared only about money, like Scrooge. He visits Scrooge to warn him.



Photo of Justine "Icy" Moral by Scott Suchman.

## **GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PAST**

A young, bright spirit who can fly. She is not frightening. She represents every Christmas that has happened in the past. She shows Scrooge moments from his childhood and from his young adulthood. She makes Scrooge remember things he would prefer to forget.



Photo of Maxwell Hayes by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## **BOY SCROOGE**

Ebenezer Scrooge as a child. He has been sent to boarding school and misses his family. He does not have very many friends. He loves to read stories about magic and adventure.



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Photo of Katelyn Coffey by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## **FAN**

Scrooge's beloved sister. She is always kind and loving to Scrooge and everyone around her.



Photo of Tom Story and Maria Egler by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## **MR. AND MRS. FEZZIWIG**

Mr. Fezziwig is Scrooge's first employer. He and his wife are joyful, good businesspeople who treat their workers well. Mr. and Mrs. Fezziwig throw a wonderful Christmas party every year.



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## **YOUNG SCROOGE**

Ebenezer Scrooge as a young man. He is poor but determined. He works very hard. He wants to become successful and rich, even at the cost of his friendships.

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## **YOUNG JACOB MARLEY**

Jacob Marley as a young man. Marley and Scrooge worked together at their first job, called an apprenticeship.



Photo of Emily Zickler by Carol Rosegg.

## **BELLE**

A beautiful, young woman whom Scrooge loves very much. When they first met, they were both poor and imagined building a life together. Belle does not value money in the same way that Scrooge does, and it comes between them.



Photo of Rayanne Gonzales by Carol Rosegg.

## **GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PRESENT**

A loud, joyful spirit who represents the current Christmas. She celebrates living in the moment. She shows Scrooge the current Christmas day and how other people celebrate it.

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## **MRS. CRATCHIT**

Bob Cratchit's wife and mother of their four children. She is hard-working and loves her family with all of her heart. It makes her angry to see any of them treated badly.



Photo of Alice Clark, Chase Reeves and Anoushka Sharma by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## **BELINDA, PETER AND MARTHA**

The oldest three Cratchit children. Even though Martha is still a child, she already has her first job—an apprentice to a hatmaker. Belinda and Peter are still too young to have jobs, but they help their mother at home.



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## **TINY TIM**

Tiny Tim has a disability, which makes him very sick and weak. He uses a crutch to help him walk. In this time in history, people with disabilities were often called “cripples” and you will hear that word used to describe Tiny Tim.



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Photo of Awa Sal Secka, Chris Stinson and Kristen Garaffo by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## **MRS. FRED, TOPPER AND MRS. FRED'S SISTER**

Fred's wife and Christmas guests. Mrs. Fred and Fred love each other very much, and they are happy together. They like to play games at parties.



Photo of Susana Lopez-Chavarriaga, Rayanne Gonzales and Ravi Mampara by Carol Rosegg.

## **IGNORANCE AND WANT**

Two children who represent the worst of humanity. Ignorance represents not knowing or caring about other people around you. Want represents the poor, the hungry and the suffering people in the world. The Ghost of Christmas Present shows them to Scrooge.



Photo by T. Charles Erickson.

## **GHOST OF CHRISTMAS FUTURE (YET TO COME)**

A dark spirit who flies and does not speak. This ghost shows Scrooge a Christmas in the future, revealing what may happen if he does not change his ways.

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## **OLD JOE**

A thief who makes money buying and selling stolen goods.



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## **TURKEY BOY**

A child whom Scrooge hires on Christmas morning to fetch a giant turkey from the butcher.



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## **PEOPLE OF LONDON**

Men and women, rich and poor, bustling around the streets of London at Christmastime.

## **A CHRISTMAS CAROL CHARACTERS – CREDITS**

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