

New Stage Theatre, Mississippi's professional theatre located in Jackson, is seeking singers/actors for its upcoming drama *The Mountaintop* by Katori Hall

A gripping and electrifying play that reimagines the night before Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination. It's April 3, 1968, and after delivering his most memorable speech, an exhausted Dr. King retires to his room at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis. The Mountaintop is a surrealistic fantasy about a chance encounter between King and a mysterious hotel maid who brings him a cup of coffee and prompts him to confront his life, his past, his legacy and the plight and future of his people.

The Mountaintop opens on February 4 and plays through February 16, 2025.
Rehearsals begin on January 14, 2025.

If you would like to submit for the *The Mountaintop* production as a local actor and can attend in person audition, please send picture and resume to submissions@newstagetheatre.com and put the **name of the character you wish to be considered for** and **where you live** in the subject line.

If you live out of the Jackson area and would like to submit as a visiting guest actor, please send picture and resume, and a link to a video audition to submissions@newstagetheatre.com and put **your name, the name of the character you wish to be considered for** and **where you live** in the subject line. The video audition should consist of a 1 to 2-minute monologue. **The deadline for submissions is Saturday, December 14, 2024.**

Character Breakdown for *The Mountaintop*

Martin Luther King, Jr:

MLK at the time was 39. Nobel Peace Prize-winning Civil Rights Movement leader. Awe-inspiring, charming, and powerful with a brooding intelligence and almost hidden vulnerability. He can sometimes present as older than his true age. While being a brilliant orator, impassioned preacher, and a fearless leader, he is more than the hero in our history books. Brewing underneath is a human carrying all the vulnerability, fear, and weariness of an unquenchable lust for life. Ethnicity: Black /African Descent Age Range: Late 20s-Early 40s

Camae:

A young maid at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee. She is charming, confident and MLK's equal. And although deeply human and vulnerable, there is much more to her than is first revealed. She owns the power of her convictions and sensuality, with an "otherworldly" strength. Carries a secret. Ethnicity: Black /African Descent Age Range: 20s-30s

New Stage Theatre is committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees.
Actors of all backgrounds are strongly encouraged to submit their information.

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