



**BEAUTIFUL The Carole King Musical**  
**Character Breakdown**  
**(18+ Actors)**

**CAROLE KING** (play ages 16-29) An aspiring singer/songwriter. A unique, appealing, funny and vulnerable girl from a Jewish family in Brooklyn. Talented, good natured, unassuming and often the peace maker in difficult situations. A reluctant star with no pretense and a passion for music. Seeking an exceptional actress with a powerful, distinctive voice. Piano skills preferred but not required.

**GERRY GOFFIN** (play late teens-late 20's) Carole's boyfriend, songwriting partner and eventual husband. He is smoldering, dark & handsome with a rebel vibe. Although sexy, he is innately sympathetic, wounded and tortured. An ambitious artist always striving for more. Seeking a strong actor who sings well. Baritone/tenor.

**CYNTHIA WEIL** (play late teens-late 20's) A songwriter who becomes romantically involved with Barry. Carole's best friend. She is sophisticated, smart & chic with a quick wit. Although self-confident and sarcastic, she is also extremely likeable. Seeking an actress with strong comic timing who sings extremely well. Belt.

**BARRY MANN** (play late teens-late 20's) A songwriter who becomes romantically involved with Cynthia. He is good natured, appealing & neurotic. Ambitious, but likeable. Seeking a strong comedic actor with a great voice. Must be a strong high tenor comfortable with pop & rock style singing.

**DON KIRSCHNER** (30's-40's) An influential music publisher and producer. He is a fast talking, energetic force of nature. Powerful, direct & sometimes intimidating, but he has a real affinity for his writers and artists. A hit maker. Seeking a strong actor. Non singing role.

**GENIE KLEIN** (40's-50's) Carole's Jewish mother. Once an aspiring playwright, she has been broken down by life & her husband's infidelity. Protective of Carole and unforgiving of her husband's mistakes. Seeking a strong actress. Non singing role.



**FEATURED ENSEMBLE:**

NEIL SEDAKA/RIGHTEOUS BROTHER/ENSEMBLE (20's-30's) Caucasian, a singer songwriter.  
Tenor.

NICK/RIGHTEOUS BROTHER/ENSEMBLE - (20's-30's) Caucasian, a singer songwriter.

LOU ADLER/ENSEMBLE - (20's-30's) Caucasian, a record producer

BOBBY VEE/ENSEMBLE - (20's) Caucasian, A singer

BETTY/ENSEMBLE (20's) Carole's childhood friend

MARILYN WALD/ENSEMBLE (20-s) a singer.

4 DRIFTERS/ENSEMBLE- (20's-30's) Black, Members of the doo-wop group The Drifters

SHIRELLES #1/UPTOWN SOLOIST/ENSEMBLE (20-30's) Black, Member of the pop group The Shirelles

SHIRELLE #2/LUCILLE- (20's-30's) Black, Member of the pop group The Shirelles, Don Kirshner's secretary

SHIRELLE #3/JANELLE WOODS (20's-30's) Black, Member of the pop group The Shirelles

SHIRELLE #4/LITTLE EVA (16-Late 20's) Black, Member of the pop group The Shirelles, Pop Singer of Locomotion