

## Tomes of Terror: Nevermore Character Descriptions

These are the roles we are looking to fill for PMRP's 2014 Halloween show "Tomes of Terror: Nevermore". If you have any questions about the project please visit <http://nevermore.pmrp.org> or email [info@pmrp.org](mailto:info@pmrp.org).

### The Raven

Directed by Liz Salazar

(Please note this part of the play is only half as long as the other segments)

**Narrator** (Any gender/age): A lonely person mourning a dead lover; startled awake late one night by an unexpected visitor.

**Raven** (Any gender/age): A clever bird or messenger from the hereafter, whose responses seem to reflect the Narrator's grieving thoughts.

**Foley Team** (any): 1 or 2 Foley artists, may be doubled from other segments.

### Masque of the Red Death

Directed by A. Lehrmitt and Justus Perry

**Prince Prospero** (Male, 20s-30s). A pompous and ruthless leader who puts his reputation and the enjoyment of his people above their safety.

**Duke Reginald** (Male [females may be considered], 30s and up). A nobleman who takes great pride in his resourcefulness and genius; a bit egomaniacal, but very close to the Prince.

**Bernardo** -or- **Bernadette** (Any gender / age). An upperclassman who may or may not be trying to hide a faint illness, terrified that he should be seen as unfit. Should double with the **Uninvited Guest**: an eerie, unknowable character who should put one at ill ease with just a whisper, and who harbors a chilling secret.

**Francis** -or- **Francesca** (Any gender / age). A haughty upper-class party guest who becomes more and more unhinged as the play goes on, fearful of something wrong in his surroundings that only he seems to notice.

**Angelo** -or- **Angelica** (Any gender / age). An upper-class party guest whose fun-loving nature makes him perfectly naïve of anything out of ordinary occurring around him.

**Claudio** -or- **Claudette** (Any gender / age). An friendly and sympathetic upper-class party guest in pointed denial of any threat that may be present.

Foley Team (any): 2 Foley artists

### The Fall of the House of Usher

Directed by Michael McAfee

**Narrator** (any gender/age): Friend of Usher, sensible

**Usher** (any gender/age): Wealthy, upper-class, afraid of the world

**Foley team** (any): Two Foley Artists, may include vocal effects as well, including screams

### A Cask of Amontillado

Directed by Mare Freed

(please note this version will be set in 1920s Prohibition-era America)

**Mr. Montresor:** (Male, middle-age) A wealthy American heir with a highly vindictive nature. No accent.

**Mr. Fortunato:** (Male, middle-age to senior) A wealthy drunkard, irresponsible and crass. No accent.

**Mr. Luchresi:** (Male, any age) The party host. Jovial and festive.

**Mrs. Luchresi:** (Female, any age) The party hostess. Gracious and attentive.

**Party Guests:** (Any gender, any age) 4 to 6 New Years Eve guests, with a few lines each and one group song. Hope to cast from the other casts.

**Foley Team** (any): Two Foley Artists