

# About the Medieval Fair Cast Program:

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The year is 1360 and King Edward III has decided to visit the town of Avalon's first market fair of the spring after a long and dreary winter. Our goal is to build that town and to recreate all the hustle and bustle caused by both the first market fair of spring and the visit from the King. A visit from the King would have been 100 times more important to the medieval townspeople than a combined visit today from the OU football team and Taylor Swift.

You are volunteering to be part of one of the largest public events in the state of Oklahoma. Over 300,000 people attended the 2016 fair, and the cast gets to see most of them. To this end, you will learn about 14th century England. You will become an actor, a dancer and a storyteller. You will entertain children and adults, patrons, performers, and staff. And you will love and smile for them all for three long exhausting but rewarding days. How will you still be cheerful at 5:00 Sunday afternoon when you're worn out and have two hours to go? Easy – you will have many friends to give you support. Friends with whom you've spent many weekend afternoons working and playing, sweating and having fun, just so together we can face anything the Medieval Fair sends our way. Oh, and one last thing – this will be one of the most fulfilling experiences of your life! There is magic in creating smiles and laughter. To paraphrase Jane the Phooles, you will swan-dive into the life-changing experience of connecting with thousands of patrons and make their days and lives better simply by playing together across the centuries. (Recommended reading: [Easy Street](#), By Ann-Elizabeth Shapera, available as an E-book or hardcopy through amazon.com or you may borrow it from the Medieval Fair Department Lending Library.)

**The mundane stuff:** (mundane: typical of this world; normal and every day; muggle.)

## **Rules:**

1. You are responsible for providing your costume and/or props following the costume guidelines that are appropriate for your part. These must meet the Director's approval.
2. There will be no use of drugs (which includes alcohol) at rehearsals or the Fair. Smoking is allowed outside of rehearsal space and only in the privacy of your car.
3. You must attend as many rehearsals as possible. Please discuss scheduling issues with the director.
4. Minors (ages 17 and younger) that participate must have a parent or legal guardian sign their volunteer waiver.
5. Be courteous and kind to each other and all Fair participants and patrons.
6. Have fun.
7. Make it worth it!

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