

Shelby County Players production of *Boeing, Boeing*

Synopsis: This high-flying farce of the swinging '60 finds a free-spirited lothario, Bernard, who has Italian, German, and American fiancées, each beautiful airline hostesses with frequent layovers. He keeps "one up, one down and one pending" until unexpected schedule changes bring all three to Paris and Bernard's apartment at the same time. Please close your snack trays and bring your seat backs to an upright position as you may experience some turbulence.

Special Notes for Auditioners:

The female characters in this show all have accents: French, German, Italian, and New York American. Also, actresses auditioning for the three 1960's air hostesses must be comfortable in tight 1960's period uniforms & high-heeled shoes. All actors must be comfortable with physical comedy.

Casting:

2 Adult Males – able to portray 30's

3 Adult Females – able to portray 20's – early 30's

1 Adult Female – able to portray over 40.

Cast Descriptions

Bernard 30+ - An American architect living in Paris; handsome, well-educated, charming; engaged to three air hostesses whom he manages to keep in the dark about one another by managing their visits on a strict timetable; takes boyish pleasure in the success of his devious doings, until his careful planning starts to fall apart, deflating his confidence.

Robert 30s+ Bernard's schoolmate from back in the States (Wisconsin); hasn't seen Bernard in many years; shy, small-town, Midwestern, and sweet, a nerd by today's standards; views Bernard's whirlwind juggling act of three fiancés with awe and admiration--until he gets wrapped up in it himself and his anxiety spins out of control.

Berthe 40s+ French; Bernard's long-time live-in maid and cook; although devoted to Bernard, she is tired of keeping up with Bernard's revolving-door lifestyle, and by play's end she has been pushed as far as she will go; dry and fantastically sarcastic; never afraid to say what's on her mind; French accent & physical comedy required.

Gabriella Must portray an age between 25 & 35 Bernard's Italian fiancée; air hostess for Alitalia; sultry and full of fire, she is much smarter and more self-reliant than she first appears; Italian accent.

Gretchen Must portray an age between 25 & 35. Bernard's German fiancée; air hostess for Lufthansa; has an intense Teutonic passion that can spin on a dime-one moment she might be soft and cuddly, and the next barking out orders and breaking furniture; inspires equal amounts of lust and fear in those around her; German accent

Gloria Must portray an age between 25 & 35. Bernard's American fiancée; air hostess for TWA; epitome of a go-getter American woman; has a vigorous appetite for food and love; completely adorable and supremely confident, but she might punch you if you dared call her "cute"; mild New York accent.

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