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### Theatre Aspen seeks well-trained musical mut

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ASPEN, Colo—[Theatre Aspen](#) and the [Aspen Animal Shelter](#) announced today that they are seeking a special canine “actor” for Theatre Aspen’s 2011 summer production of ANNIE, opening July 7th. The Aspen Animal Shelter’s Seth Sachson is helping cast this key player, “Sandy,” who befriends the musical’s heroine, the orphan Annie. Auditions will be held this Sunday, May 22nd, 4 p.m., at the Aspen Animal Shelter, located at 101 Animal Shelter Road, in Aspen. Audition by appointment only.

ANNIE, directed and choreographed by Marjorie Mae Treger, stars Julia Foran in the title role, and Nina Gabianelli as the cranky, conniving and callow Miss Hannigan. The sixteen-member cast is the largest ever on the stage of Theatre Aspen, and features a bevy of the most adorable young actresses in the valley as the orphans: Karlie Nelson, Sophie Schlosser, Tatum Shane, Kaia Vresilovic and Talitha Jones.

Theatre Aspen’s 28th season begins with a grand opening in the newly named Hurst Theatre in Rio Grande Park, on June 24th. The opening production is Steven Dietz’s comedy *Becky’s New Car*, starring Sandy Duncan. The season also features a new musical called *Vices: A Love Story*.

Artistic Director Paige Price said, “I am so pleased to work with Seth, who volunteered to help us with this really unique opportunity. Seth understands how important it is to find the right dog, as well as the right trainer, and we can’t wait to see what kind of canine talent we have in store!”

Owners with pets who are interested in auditioning should call the shelter at 970.544.0206 and ask for Seth Sachson.

For tickets and season passes to Theatre Aspen, call the Wheeler Box Office at 970-920-5770 or visit [aspenshowtix.com](http://aspenshowtix.com). Discounts available for local residents if purchased before June 15th.