**PROFESSIONAL OXFORDSHIRE/BUCKINGHAMSHIRE BASED ACTORS, SOUGHT FOR INTERACTIVE CHARACTER HOSTING AND FAMILY THEATRE SHOW (FULLY PAID)**

**Event:**  The Pumpkin Patch

**Location:** Rectory Farm PYO, Pound Lane, Oxford, OX33 1HF

**Dates:**                  6-8th, 14-15th, 19th – 29th October inclusive

**Fee:**                      £150 per half-day (up to 4hrs)

**Brief:**

The Pumpkin Patch is a Pick-your-own Pumpkin festival held annually at Rectory Farm. Walkabout characters are there to welcome, guide and entertain the visitors in their hundreds as they make their way around the farm, picking their pumpkins, playing games, riding on the tractor and getting messy with crafts. This year we’re adding a short interactive show to be performed at several intervals throughout the day.

The Pumpkin Patch Production team are seeking imaginative and engaging performers who are comfortable with family-friendly improvising in character in the great outdoors.

All actors will be rehearsed into the 20-minute two-hander show performed in the games tent and we’ll rotate performers for each show.

**Characters:**

* **Patch the Scarecrow** (youthful, any gender) – Patch is everyone’s friend and greets the Pumpkin Pickers at the entrance
* **Farmer Sprout** (older male) – gives people a guided tour of the farm on the tractor – loves talking about his prize pumpkins
* **Hazel the Harvest Queen** (female) – flamboyant and floaty Hazel has a touch of magic about her – in games tent
* **Colin the Crow (**physical, any gender) – Colin is a friendly crow who LOVES pumpkins and helps the pickers to the best ones – in top field
* **Farmer Sprout** (older female) – sterner than Mr Sprout but soft really. Runs tour on second tractor – only required for weekends (6-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29th Oct)

**Skills required:**

* Energy and imagination to make the Pumpkin Patch come to life
* Comfortable with improvising in character
* Children’s theatre/TIE experience an advantage
* Event hosting/immersive theatre experience also advantage
* **Actors must have their own transport - the farm is about 15min drive out of Oxford city centre.**It could also be reached by bicycle if you’re local.

Please email[*alltheworldsastagepresents@gmail.com*](mailto:alltheworldsastagepresents@gmail.com)with your:

* CV / Spotlight link
* Short cover letter detailing relevant experience
* Specify the character you wish to apply for.
* Please also advise if there are any event dates you are not available (the team will do our best to accommodate).

**\*Deadline for applications Friday 1st September\***

Successful applicants will be called for online casting.

Many thanks and I look forward to hearing from you

Charlotte Miranda-Smith

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