



Richmond Shakespeare Society  
**AUDITION NOTICE**

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## **AMERICAN BUFFALO**

by David Mamet

**Director: Fiona Smith**

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**Reading:** Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7.45pm - at the Mary Wallace Theatre

**Auditions:** Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7.45pm - at the theatre

**Playing dates:** Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

**Rehearsals:** Starting Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> (and from then on - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday evenings & Sunday afternoons). Rehearsals will take place in the vicinity of the theatre.

**AUDITIONS ARE OPEN TO ALL.** The RSS actively encourages diversity in casting - casting decisions will *not* be constrained by the perceived gender or ethnicity of the roles being auditioned, unless specified by the author.

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Two-act play set in Chicago in 1975. At a run-down junk shop, three petty crooks plot the theft of what they believe to be a valuable coin. The theft never takes place. A vicious and hilarious examination of 'Big Business' and capitalism writ exceedingly small by these no-hopers. They express themselves in expletives or clichés from gangster movies and advertising slogans in order to display their sense of importance - only demonstrating their inadequacy. The piece contains extremely offensive racist, sexist, homophobic language.

**Characters**

**DONNY:** Late 40s/50s. Owner of the junk shop  
**BOBBY:** Late teens. Gofer to Donny at the shop. Ex (or not-so-ex) junkie.  
**TEACH:** Late 30s to 50s. An obnoxious hustler.

**Audition Pieces** Please contact the director at [gertbeat5@hotmail.com](mailto:gertbeat5@hotmail.com) for these.

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**You do not have to be an RSS member to audition but, if cast, you will be required to become a member before the first rehearsal.**

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