

Character Descriptions for Spring Awakening

NOTE: Some doubling or tripling of roles may or may not occur.

Wendla (F) - Innocent. With every passing day, she grows more curious about the world around her and her changing body. Both vulnerable and a willing participant in her evolution. Vocal range top: E5, bottom: E3

Melchior (M) - A smart, headstrong boy who refuses to bow down to society's rules. An atheist and radical student. Struggles with his intense feelings for Wendla and his awakening sexual urges. Vocal range top: B4, bottom: G2

Martha (F) - A schoolgirl who faces constant physical abuse from her father. She harbors a secret crush towards Moritz. Vocal range top: E5, bottom: E3

Moritz (M) - Melchior's best friend, a troubled student. He desperately tries to please his father, but always seems to disappoint him. His haunting sexual dreams and academic failures eventually drive him to suicidal thoughts. Vocal range top: A4, bottom: C3

Thea (F) - Wendla's best friend. A schoolgirl who tries to stay innocent and pure. Vocal range top: E5, bottom: E3

Hanschen (M) - A rather narcissistic schoolmate of Melchior's. He is comfortable with his own sexuality and uses his looks and intelligence to captivate Ernst. Optional Doubling as RUPERT. Vocal range top: D5, bottom: Ab2

Anna (F) - A German schoolgirl and Martha's best friend. Optimistic and a bit naive, she has a difficult time understanding Martha's trials. Vocal range top: C5, bottom: E3

Ernst (M) - A schoolmate of Melchior's. Naive and easily manipulated, which allows him to fall in love with Hanschen. Optional Doubling as REINHOLD. Vocal range top: A4, bottom: Ab2

Ilse (F) - Martha's sister, who was also abused and has run away from home to live in an artists' colony. She reaches out to her old friend Moritz in the last moments of his life. Vocal range top: E5, bottom: E3

Georg (M) - A clumsy schoolmate of Melchior's. He is overcome with his feelings for his piano teacher. Optional Doubling as DIETER. Vocal range top: D5, bottom: Ab2

Otto (M) - A classmate of Melchior's. He struggles with feelings he considers inappropriate. Optional Doubling as ULBRECHT. Vocal range top: D5, bottom: Ab2

Female Ensemble – Characters include: Frau Bergman, Wendla's Mother; Fraulein Knuppeldick; Fraulein Grossebustenthaler; Frau Gabor, Melchior's Mother; And Frau Bessell, Martha's mother. Roles may be played by multiple actors. Range: D3 – A4.

Female Ensemble – Characters include: Herr Sonnenstich, The Boys' Teacher; Headmaster Knochenbruch; Herr Neumann, Ilse's Father; Herr Rilow, Hanschen's Father; Herr Steifel, Moritz's Father; Father Kaulbach; Doctor Von Brausepulver; Herr Gabor, Melchior's Father; And Schmidt. Roles may be played by multiple actors. Range: D3 – F4.