

# COME FROM AWAY

## CHARACTERS

There are more "Plane People" who were diverted on September 11th, 2001, and more residents of Gander that tell the story of the events of what happened in the small towns in Newfoundland that will be played by the cast in addition to the roles listed below. The origin of the character is underlined and may require that accent be used. You will see the age of the character. That doesn't mean you actually have to be that age, but be able to play that age.

**Annette** - *Annette is a local Gander resident, a teacher at the elementary school with an active fantasy life. (40's-60's)*

Female Mezzo-Soprano Belting, Rock

**Beulah Davis** - Beulah is the quintessential Gander matriarch: fierce, organized, and deeply empathetic. Head of the Gander Legion. (40's-60's)

Female Mezzo-Soprano

**Claude Elliott** - Claude is the overworked, lovable Mayor of Gander. He is a "man of the people" who finds himself suddenly thrust into a global crisis. (40's-60's)

Male Baritone

**Oz Fudge** - Oz is Gander's quirky police constable, serving as Claude's right-hand man. He is a gentle soul. Somewhat comic relief. (30's-50s)

Male Baritone

**Janice Mosher** - Janice is the "new girl" in Gander, a reporter starting her very first day at the local TV station on the morning of September 11th. Her arc is a classic "baptism by fire". (20's)

Female Mezzo-Soprano

**Bonnie Harris** - Bonnie is the head of the local Gander SPCA and the unsung hero of the animals stranded on the planes. (30's-40's)

Female Mezzo-Soprano

**Kevin Tuerff** - Kevin T is a high-powered, easy going executive from Los Angeles who arrives in Gander with his boyfriend, Kevin J. (yes, they are both named Kevin). (30's-50's)

Male Tenor, Baritone

**Kevin Jung** - Kevin J is the more emotional and increasingly anxious boyfriend of Kevin T who is from Brooklyn. As the week in Gander continues, he feels a growing disconnect from his partner and a deepening fear of the world outside. (30's-50's)  
Male Baritone

**Hannah O'Rourke** - Hannah is a passenger from New York City and the mother of a firefighter. She spends the entire week in Gander in a state of suspended animation, waiting for a phone call that never comes. (40's-60's)  
Female Alto

**Ali** - Ali is an Egyptian world traveler and a professional chef who finds himself the target of intense suspicion and Islamophobia. (30's-50's)  
Male Baritone

**Diane Gray** - Diane is a divorced woman from Texas who finds an unexpected second chance at love during the week in Gander. (50's)  
Female Mezzo-Soprano

**Nick Marson** - Nick is a reserved, polite English petroleum engineer who is just as surprised as Diane to find love. (50's)  
Male Baritone

**Bob** - Bob is a young man from New York City who initially approaches Gander with extreme skepticism and a jaded defensiveness. (20's-40's)  
Male Baritone

**Captain Beverly Bass** - Beverly is based on the real-life Texas pioneer who was the first female captain for American Airlines. She is a woman of immense skill, logic, and passion. (50's)  
Female Mezzo-Soprano Belting, Rock

