

# AUDITION SIDE FOR MASHA, SONIA, VANYA AND SPIKE : - SIDE A

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~~Spike, darling, would you go to the car? I forgot to bring my Snow White costume.~~

~~SPIKE: Okay.~~

~~MASHA: And don't forget the shepherd's crook.~~

~~SPIKE: Okay. (to VANYA and SONIA, friendly, wised-up) Women, huh?~~

~~(SPIKE exits.)~~

MASHA: Sweetest Vanya, dearest Sonia. How I've missed you. You both look the same. Older. Sadder. But the same. It's wonderful to see you, Vanya. Oh, and you too, Sonia.

SONIA: Yes, hello. I'm easy to miss.

MASHA: You are! I often miss you! I'm in a play or a movie, and I think of my dear Sonia, and think, oh I miss her! I must call her. Then I get called to the set and months go by and I forget to call. Life happens, no?

SONIA: Not here it doesn't. We sit still a lot. We look out the window. We bicker. We long for what the world cannot give. We are in our twilight years, and we realize we have never really lived

MASHA: (*lightly*) Oh, that's too bad.. (*back to herself, happy*) Oh I wish I had time to sit still. I'm always busy, I'm always on the TV, or flying off to some foreign country to make a movie. Oh I wish I had time to read the classics, sit in a chair, and just read. Do you read the classics, Sonia?

SONIA: No. I think of it, but I have too much free time. There's so much I could fill the free time with, I can't make decisions. So I do nothing. I am a wild turkey, I am a wild turkey.

MASHA: Really? How alarming. (*softer, to VANYA*) What's the matter with her?

VANYA: She's referring to falling out of bed. She's fine. Masha, you look wonderful as usual. But what did you say about a Snow White costume?

MASHA: Oh did I forget to tell Sonia?

SONIA: Um... probably. Tell me what?

MASHA: Well I got a lovely invitation from that extremely wealthy woman who bought the Dorothy Parker house up the road. She's one of our neighbors here, and she's dying to get to know people in the area, and so she's throwing a costume party. And she asked me to come.