

Music Man Character Breakdown

- “Professor” Harold Hill (Baritone: Ab to high F) - A con artist and grifter. He travels from town to town posing as a music man and convincing the locals that they should pay him money to fund a community youth band. He is a fast talking charmer capable of talking himself into and out of almost anything.
- Marian Paroo (Soprano: Low G to high A) - River City’s librarian and piano teacher. She has a reputation for being no nonsense and hard to approach. We discover that this is just a facade developed to protect her against the rumors started by the townspeople. She lives with her mother and younger brother.
- Marcellus Washburn (Tenor: G to high A) - An old friend and former partner of Harold Hill. Marcellus is trying to go on the straight and narrow for his girlfriend Ethel’s sake. He inevitably gets tangled up in Harold’s scheme.
- Mayor Shinn (Chorus only) - The mayor of River City and the owner of the town’s pool hall. He is self-important, blustery, and not very bright. He loves his wife and is overly protective of his daughter.
- Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn (Alto: D to D) - The mayor’s wife who works to keep him in line. She is a socialite and knows everyone in town. She is also a member of every club and auxiliary organization in town. Somewhat snooty and self-important.
- Zaneeta Shinn - The mayor’s oldest daughter. She is in love with Tommy Djilas, the town bad boy. Through the pursuit of this love she learns to stand up for herself and how to be her own person.
- Gracie Shinn - The mayor’s youngest daughter. She is a tomboy and a bit of a pistol.
- Tommy Djilas - A teenager from the bad side of town. Starts the show as a bit of a trouble maker, but with Harold’s help starts to turn his life to win over Zaneeta.
- Mrs. Paroo (Soprano: Ab to Eb) - The cheerful widowed mother of Marian and Winthrop. Her first concern is always her children’s wellbeing. Speaks with an Irish accent.
- Winthrop Paroo (Alto: C to Eb) - Marian’s younger brother. He is quiet and shy at the start of the show due to a lisp. Gains confidence through his interactions with Harold and eventually becomes a bit of a chatterbox.
- Amaryllis (Alto: C to E) - A young girl that takes piano lessons from Marion. She has a crush on Winthrop but does not understand why he is so shy around her.
- Ewart Dunlop (Second Tenor) - Owner of the general store and bickering business man. Married to Maud and eventually a member of the School Board Quartet.
- Oliver Hix (Baritone) - Banker and bickering business man. Married to Alma and eventually a member of the School Board Quartet.
- Jacey Squires (High Tenor) - Owner of the livery stables and bickering business man. Eventual member of the School Board Quartet.

- Olin Britt (Bass) - Editor of the Gazette and bickering business man. Eventual member of the School Board Quartet.
- Maud Dunlop - Ewart's wife and one of Eulalie's gossipy friends.
- Alma Hix - Oliver's wife and one of Eulalie's gossipy friends.
- Mrs. Squires - Jacey's wife and one of Eulalie's gossipy friends.
- Ethel Toffelmier - Jolly and friendly, she plays the player piano. Marcellus' girlfriend and one of Eulalie's gossipy friends.
- Charlie Cowell - A rival of Harold Hill out to destroy his reputation and make himself look like a hero.
- Constable Locke - River City's Sheriff
- Ensemble - Traveling Salesmen, Conductor, Newspaper Readers, Townspeople, River City Kids
- Featured Dancers/ Dance Experience - River City Kids, Marian Paroo, Ethel Toffelmier, Zaneeta Shinn, Harold Hill, Marcellus Washburn, River City Townspeople, River City Kids