Dial M for Murder (Jeffrey Hatcher) Role Details

Character	Gender	Age	Persona	Disclosures
Margot	Female (femme presenting)	Adult 30-50ish	Tony's wife, Maxine's lover. Graceful, lovely, intelligent, cautious, within social norms, resilient Arc: delicate and innocent to empowered and angry	Brief intimacy with Maxine and Tony. Fight scene including being choked with a scarf and stabbing Lesgate. Standing, sitting, walking, bending, carrying less than 5 pounds.
Maxine	Female (masc or femme presenting)	Adult 30-50ish	Margot's lover, writer of murder mysteries. Strong, domineering, brash, smart, creative, subtle. Arc: secret lover to forceful ally	Brief intimacy with Margot. Minimal physicality including standing, sitting, walking, bending, carrying less than 5 pounds. Some voice over recordings.
Tony	Male (masc presenting)	Adult 30-50ish	Margot's wife; he plots her murder. Charming, engaging, confident, eloquent, quick, desperate, narcissistic, greedy, jealous Arc: charming sociopath falls deeper into the hole he dug	Brief intimacy with Margot. Minimal physical demands including standing, sitting, walking, bending, carrying less than 5 pounds. Walking up 3- 4 stairs. Uses a cane to fake a limp.
Lesgate	Any gender	Adult 30-50ish	Old friend of Tony, has a felony record, is hired to kill Margot. Flawed, reluctant, cornered, can be manipulated, willing to do bad things for his own benefit. Arc: just trying to hustle, coerced into murder, attempted blackmail, death	Fight scene including being stabbed with scissors, physical death onstage including collapse/fall. Standing, sitting, walking, bending, carrying less than 5 pounds. Walking up 3- 4 stairs
Inspector Hubbard	Any gender	Adult 30ish or older	Detective. Sharp, observant, skeptical, curious, charming, relatable Arc: seems bumbling/scatterbrained but is actually observant and strategic, lulls Tony into false sense of security before busting him	No intimacy. Minimal physical demands including standing, sitting, walking, bending, carrying less than 5 pounds. Walking up 3- 4 stairs

Reading 1- Tony and Lesgate
Reading 2 - Tony and Lesgate
Reading 3 - Margot and Tony
Reading 4 - Margot and Maxine
Reading 5 - Margot and Hubbard (incidental lines from Tony can be delivered by AD/SM)
Reading 6 - Hubbard, Maxine, Margot
Reading 7 - Maxine and Tony
Reading 8 - Margot monologue
Reading 9 - Tony, Maxine, Margot