

Hunchback of Notre Dame

Character Breakdown

Ensemble

The ensemble is a large, ever present, and important part of this story. They act as the chief storytellers, taking on the roles of the congregation, gypsies, gargoyles, soldiers, citizens of Paris, and choir. The ensemble gets ample opportunities for vocal challenges and is showcased with solos throughout the show.

Claude Frollo

Archdeacon of Notre Dame Cathedral and the most powerful cleric in Paris, he is the reluctant caretaker of Quasimodo. He will do whatever it takes to rid the city of the Roma “vermin,” even as he lusts after Esmeralda. Calculating, manipulative, and obsessive.

Jehan Frollo

Claude’s reckless younger brother. With Florika, he fathers Quasimodo, who he leaves in his brother’s care. Wild, passionate, and strong-willed.

Florika

A Romani woman and Quasimodo’s mother.

Father Dupin

A priest of Notre Dame and Claude and Jehan’s guardian.

Quasimodo

The deformed bell-ringer of Notre Dame and Claude Frollo’s charge. Lonely and staunchly obedient to Frollo, he possesses a vivid imagination that brings to life the bells and gargoyles of the cathedral. Despite his shyness and uncertainty, he quickly befriends Esmeralda. Big-hearted, and brave when need be.

Clopin Trouillefou

The clever and charismatic King of the Gypsies. An air of mystery surrounds Clopin. As the master of ceremonies for the Feast of Fools, he is witty and playful, but he boasts a darker, serious nature when not performing for the crowd.

Captain Phoebus de Martin

Returning to Paris after serving in the war, Phoebus takes up his new position as Captain of the Cathedral Guard. Overconfident yet charming, this handsome, strong soldier makes the ladies swoon, yet his moral compass is also strong, and he openly defies the corrupted Frollo.

Lieutenant Frederic Charlus

Lieutenant of the Cathedral Guard and loyal friend to Phoebus.

Esmeralda

A beautiful and free-spirited Romani woman who possesses the strong sense of justice and morality that Frollo lacks. Compassionate, she frees Quasimodo from the frenzied mob at the Feast of Fools and, against her better judgment, falls for the cocky Phoebus.

King Louis XI

King of France, nicknamed the Prudent.

Tribunal

A judicial officer.

Madam

Owner of a brothel and safe haven for the Roma.

Saint Aphrodisius

A stained-glass image that comes to life.