

ACT 1

SCENE 1

*(CURTAIN RISES on the Old Wild West, a prairie town outside a white schoolhouse. A CROWD of WESTERN FOLK are a – SINGIN' and a-DANCIN'.)*

**#2 Wide Open Spaces Opening Vocal**

**COMPANY**

WIDE OPEN SPACES!  
EVERYWHERE I LOOK I SEE  
THOSE WIDE OPEN SPACES!  
WHERE THE FUTURE WAITS FOR YOU AND ME.

IT'S KANSAS FOREVER,  
AND WHEREVER I MAY ROAM,  
I'LL SEE THOSE WIDE OPEN SPACES  
AND KNOW THAT KANSAS IS HOME!

*(Enter JESSICA CRANSHAW as MADAM MARIAN, and by the big build-up, it's clear she's the star of the show.)*

**JESSICA CRANSHAW (AS MADAM MARIAN)**

Kiss me while you can, boys! I'm bidding you!

*(Awkward pause on stage. Finally, the actor playing Parson Tuck quietly suggests)*

**RANDY (AS PARSON TUCK)**

Farewell.

**JESSICA CRANSHAW (AS MADAM MARIAN)**

*(prompted)*

Farewell, I'm bidding you farewell.

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*(The show resumes.)*

**NIKI (AS SCHOOLMARM)**

But Madam Marian, you can't leave us yet! There's still the sharpshootin' contest. Parson Tuck, if we lose, the bank's gonna foreclose on the schoolhouse.

**RANDY (AS PARSON TUCK)**

I thought for sure that masked gunslinger was gonna save the day.