

Missoula Children's Theatre & the MPTO Present: "Cinderella"

WHO: Students in grades Kindergarten through 8th grades

o students interested in theater or learning more about theater

WHAT: Musical theater production

ENTIRE show auditioned, cast, rehearsed & performed the week of Jan 2*

WHEN: Auditions on Tuesday, January 2 from 4-6 PM (all students stay the full 2 hours)

o rehearsals held evenings Jan 2-5; performances on Saturday, Jan 6

WHERE: Chautauqua Fine Arts Center (at Mahtomedi High School)



*All students auditioning MUST be able to attend EVERY rehearsal & performance to be eligible to audition.

Missoula Children's Theatre directors audition all registered students and determine the cast for the production. There are a variety of roles, both on stage AND backstage. This is a group audition; no advance preparation is necessary, but a smile \odot never hurts. Students should be ready to have a good time! Students interested in backstage roles must also participate in the audition. Missoula Directors make the final selection of all cast members (for both on stage and backstage roles) – there is NO guarantee of being cast.

Rehearsals: approximately 6:15-8:15pm Tue; 4-8:30pm Wed - Fri (all times vary by role) and all day Sat **Performances:** Sat, January 6 at 2:00 PM & 5:00 PM

Students <u>MUST SUBMIT THEIR REGISTRATION</u> by <u>MONDAY, DECEMBER 18</u> LATE REGISTRATIONS and WALK-INS WILL <u>NOT</u> BE ACCEPTED.

<u>TO REGISTER & PAY:</u> Return a separate, completed Registration Form (below) for each student registering to audition. Submit a **separate** \$85 check for each student registering - checks are only cashed if a student is cast. A cotton show t-shirt is included in the cost of the registration.

• Wildwood, OHA & Middle School – Return completed registration form & check to any of these school offices.

FAQs are on the reverse side of this page.

EVERY evening Tue-F and ALL day Saturday

Further questions? contact Chantell Knauss at Missoula@MahtomediPTO.com

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MPTO-Sponsored Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) Activity Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) residency?

This is the 26th year that MPTO will host the MCT residency for Mahtomedi students in grades K-8, to help foster and develop an interest in live theater. MCT is a one-week intensive theater opportunity for students to experience being involved in a live musical production. A tour team arrives in Mahtomedi in their "little red truck" loaded with a set, lights, scripts, costumes, props and everything else it takes to put on a play...except the cast. The team holds the audition and casts local students to perform in the production. The show is rehearsed throughout the week and two public performances are presented at the end of the week.

Since 1972, the MCT International Tour has fostered developmental life skills in more than a million kids. They bring the arts to all 50 states, 5 Canadian Provinces and 16 countries.

My student doesn't want to be on stage, are there other ways they can participate?

There are backstage opportunities in the production. However, ALL students, even those interested in backstage roles, MUST go through the audition process.

How long are auditions?

Auditions are from 4-6pm on the first day of MCT week. It is a group audition and students auditioning need to be in attendance the entire two hours, so please have your student arrive promptly.

Can I stay and watch auditions?

People are welcome to stay and watch auditions or to drop their student off, but everyone MUST come back at 6pm. Anyone staying for auditions will need to keep conversations to a minimum, so the Directors and students are able to stay focused.

How do I know if my student is cast in the show?

Immediately following the conclusion of the audition, about 6pm, the cast list is announced by the MCT Directors and the rehearsal schedule is provided to students who will be in the production.

How do I know when to pick my student up from auditions?

Immediately following the conclusion of the audition, about 5:45-6pm, the MCT Directors announce the cast. **Some** cast members, depending on the role they are cast in, need to stay the first night after the audition and rehearse that evening. Those cast members will eat together from 6-6:15pm and rehearse from 6:15-8:15pm. For planning purposes, we recommend EVERYONE pack a bagged snack/meal to bring to the audition, just in case...

ALL families need to have an adult return to the audition on or before 6pm on the first day, to learn whether or not their student was cast in the production. Anyone who is not scheduled to rehearse that night or did not get cast needs to be picked up after the audition concludes. NO calls or texts will be made and students who are not scheduled to rehearse are not allowed to stay unless they have a parent/guardian in attendance with them.

Is transportation provided?

Families are responsible for providing and/or finding transportation for their students to the audition and/or rehearsals during MCT week. MPTO does not provide transportation.

If my student is cast, when are the rehearsals and performances?

Rehearsals are based on the role a student is cast. The rehearsal schedule is distributed to cast members at the end of the audition on the first day. The commitment for rehearsals and performances are: Tuesday-Friday 4-8:15pm; and all day Saturday.

My child is interested in auditioning but has a conflict on one of the evenings of MCT week. Can they still audition? Because MCT is an intensive, week-long, participatory theater experience, all students auditioning MUST be able to attend EVERY rehearsal & performance they are scheduled for, in order to audition.

Why do I need to write a separate check for each student I'm registering?

Although it would be great to cast everyone that registers, the cast is limited by the number of roles in any particular production. There are instances within the same family, where one student is cast and another is not. Separate registration checks for each student being registered helps so that we don't have to request a check be re-issued by the family.

Why do I need to pre-register my student(s)?

Pre-registration is required and students not pre-registered will NOT be able to audition. The Directors are provided with information on the number of students auditioning so they can be better prepared to conduct the audition.

Additional questions?

If you have a question that's not addressed in these FAQs, please contact Chantell Knauss at Missoula@MahtomediPTO.com