

Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) is coming to St. Ignatius on Mar 17, 2025

MCT, the nation's largest touring children's theater, has been touring extensively for over 40 years now from Montana to Japan and will visit over 1,200 communities this year with 44 teams of Tour Actors/Directors. A tour team will arrive at St. Ignatius with a set, lights, costumes, props, make-up, everything it takes to put on a play...except the cast. The team will hold an audition and **cast 50-60 students K-8th** to perform in the production. The show will be rehearsed throughout the week and a public performance will be presented on Saturday. All MCT shows are original adaptations of classic children's stories and fairytales . . . a *twist* on the classic stories that you know and love. This year we will be producing "**Hansel & Gretel**". Creativity, social skills, goal achievement, communication skills, and self-esteem are all characteristics that are attained through participation in this unique, educational project. MCT's mission is *the development of life skills in children through participation in the performing arts*.

**Auditions: Monday, March 17th 2:00P-4:00P, Parish Center**

To audition, return the attached permission slip by Thursday, March 13th. Please look carefully at all the information on this sheet before you decide to audition. There are roles for 50-60 students. There is no guarantee that everyone who auditions will be cast in the play. It is a group audition - no preparation is necessary, but a SMILE ☺ never hurts. Be ready to come and have a good time!

**All information about the rehearsal and performance schedule and the cost of participation is on the back. There is no cost to audition.**

## Missoula Children's Theatre

**Cost: \$60.00**

This participation fee is due no later than Wednesday, March 19th, for every student who is cast in the show. There is no fee to audition. Cast members will also have the option of purchasing a t-shirt directly from the Missoula Directors

**Rehearsals:** Monday, March 17th, 4:30P-6:30P\*

Tuesday, March 18th, 3:00P-7:30P\*

Wednesday, March 19th, 3:00P-7:30P\*

Thursday, March 20th, 3:00P-7:30P

Friday Dress Rehearsal/School Performance,

March 21st, 8:15A-2:45P(1:00P performance)

Everyone auditioning must have a clear schedule for the entire week and be able to attend all rehearsals required for their role. A detailed rehearsal schedule will be distributed after the auditions. *\*SOME CAST MEMBERS WILL NOT BE REQUIRED AT ALL REHEARSALS. CAST MEMBERS SCHEDULED FOR THE FULL 4½ HOURS OF REHEARSAL WILL NEED TO BRING A SACK SUPPER OR SNACK. (Kids K-2nd tend not to stay on Monday)*

**Performances:** Saturday, March 22nd, 3:00P

All cast members must be available for all scheduled performances. Tickets for the performances will cost \$10.00 for ages 3yrs and up.

**Parent Help:** Many parents are needed to help take down the stage on Saturday after the 3:00 PM performance. Some parents are needed to sell tickets before each performance. Please tell Ms. Thompson if you can help.

**Questions:** Please contact Cachele Thompson (916-488-3907 ext. 1053) or [cthompson@stignatiussacschool.org](mailto:cthompson@stignatiussacschool.org)

Permission Slip for Missoula Children's Theatre

Due Thursday, Mar 11, 2025

I \_\_\_\_\_ give \_\_\_\_\_ permission \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ child,

\_\_\_\_\_ In grade: \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Missoula Children's Theatre auditions on **Monday, March 17th at 2:00P** in the Parish Center. Auditions will end at 4:00P. Students who are asked to be in the show **MAY NEED TO STAY** for the first rehearsal from 4:30P to 6:30P.

At 4:00P, when auditions end, if my child has not been asked to stay for rehearsal from 4:30P-6:30P then my child will:

\_\_\_\_\_ check in to Extended Services.

\_\_\_\_\_ be picked up in front of the Parish Center doors.

If my child is asked to participate in the show, my child has permission to attend:

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(Some students will NOT be required at every rehearsal)

**Performances:** Friday, March 21st, 1:00P & Saturday, March 22nd, 3:00P

**\*\*If my child is asked to participate in the show I will submit the \$60 participation fee through Givesmart on Wednesday, March 19th.\*\***

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

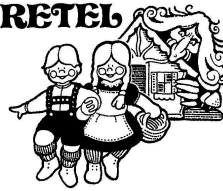
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Help Needed:** If you can help please tell Ms. Thompson (488-3907 ext. 1053) or [cthompson@stignatiussacschool.org](mailto:cthompson@stignatiussacschool.org).

**Ticket Sales:** We need parents to sell tickets at the door before each performance. **Sets:** We will need many parents to help take down the set after the 3:00P performance on Saturday.

## HANSEL and GRETEL



### SHOW SYNOPSIS HANSEL AND GRETEL

Adapted by Jim Caron  
Music and Lyrics by Michael McGill and Jim Caron

Times are tough for modern-day Hank and Gretchen, 'til they find themselves deep in the wondrous Wildwood world of Hansel and Gretel. The Missoula Children's Theatre proudly presents an original musical adaptation of the Brothers Grimm age-old tale of a journey, a secret and a grand adventure. Poor Hank and Gretchen! All of their friends, off to summer camp, have left them behind. While waiting for dinner, Hank and Gretchen fall asleep and dream their way to times gone by. They wake with a start! Their clothes are so strange-and so are their names. Lost in the deep dark woods, Granny leads Hansel and Gretel on a search for the path which will lead them to better times at home. But as evening approaches and the moon rises above the trees, Hansel and Gretel are not alone! The Rascals dart from tree to tree as sweet little Wallybirds innocently munch on the cookie crumbs left as a map on the forest floor. Crafty cooks and Gingerbread Men lead our heroes to a colorful cottage concocted completely of candy and cakes, where Hansel and Gretel unravel the secret of the Wildwood Witch:

Is she bad?  
Or is she good?  
Is she wicked...  
Or misunderstood?

There's music and laughter and thrills and chills. So join the fun as Hansel and Gretel's dream is mysteriously blended with real life, and the lessons of one apply to the other. You'll learn the secret of the Wildwood — but, shhh — don't tell!

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Rehearsals: March 17th - March 20th  
Dress Rehearsal/School Performance: Fri. Mar 21, 2025  
Performance: Saturday, Mar 22, 2025

Please turn in the permission slip on the other side by Tuesday, March 11th!