

# Meet Shrek and Donkey



Meet Shrek and Donkey, two of the most-loved characters in *Shrek, The Musical*, and are played by newcomers to Chalice Theatre.

Shrek is played by Harv Lester, and Donkey by Sylvern Groome. Both say they're having a great time with the Chalice community, and are impressed with the Creative Arts Ministry of UUCA.

"I wish my church offered a theatre program when I was young," Sylvern says. "It was a great community, but it didn't have programs like this. I can see how much the kids are getting out of being part of this production. It's really unique."

"My kids are six and seven," Harv adds, "and I'm always looking for opportunities that help them explore who they are in a really fun, positive environment. This is exactly what Chalice does."

They both describe being interested in the show because of its message.

"I thought it would be a kiddie show when I saw it on Broadway," Harv said, "but it's actually for all ages. It's a show about the kind of person you want to be – and that never ends."

Sylvern agrees. "We never stop discovering ourselves. The show is all about understanding who we are, and celebrating that."

Harv and Sylvern have both been in a number of theatre productions. Harv's favorites include the *Will Roger Follies* and Signature Theatre's *Company*, where he served as an understudy. Sylvern's are Adventure Theatre's *Knuffle Bunny* and the musical, *Smokey Joe's Café*.

Tickets to *Shrek, the Musical*, are on sale now. [Click here.](#)