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Young Auditorium Welcomes Missoula Children's Theatre PINOCCHIO - Saturday, February 29 at 2:00pm

Auditions for local children set for Monday, February 24

Whitewater, Wis – Local kids take center stage in a professional theatre experience like no other as Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) returns to Young Auditorium on Saturday, February 29 at 2:00pm.

With the primary goal of developing life skills through participation in the performing arts, the Missoula Children's Theatre encourages creativity and teamwork as theatre professionals lead local children through a group audition, a week of rehearsals, and a final performance on the Young Auditorium stage.

In this year's production, Pinocchio, join everyone's favorite wooden puppet as he dances with Geppetto's charming toys, travels the road to Pleasure Isle with Candlewick and his Crew, and is swindled by the unsavory Fox and Cat. After escaping the clutches of the evil puppet master, Stromboli, Pinocchio finds himself in trouble once more—this time swallowed by a monstrous whale. Very scary stuff! As Geppetto and the friendly Urchins spin their magical tale, we learn with Pinocchio that there are no shortcuts on the road to becoming a real, live boy.

Approximately 50-60 local children will be cast to appear in the show along with the two MCT Tour Actors/ Directors. Casting for the production will be held on Monday, February 24, at 4pm. There are roles for children from Kindergarten (minimum age 5) through 12th grade (maximum age 18). This is a group audition - no advanced preparation is necessary...and no previous acting experience required. Call (262) 472-5630 for more information. Registration details and audition forms can be found at <http://www.uww.edu/youngauditorium/2019-missoula>.

To purchase tickets for the performance, stop in or call the Greenhill Center of the Arts Box Office (located in the Greenhill Center of the Arts atrium on the UW-Whitewater campus) at (262) 472-2222, or purchase tickets online at www.youngauditorium.com.

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