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The Mousetrap

The cast of the upcoming Forum production, *The Mousetrap*, is gearing up for show weekend, and it promises to be one full of adventure and mystery. The plot itself is shrouded in disguise as the cast and crew refuse to reveal any spoilers.

“The production is about personal identity, secrets, the impact of trauma, and different methods of dealing with it,” says student actress **Rebecca Figueroa** (*West LHS / Cross of Christ-Coon Rapids MN*). “We’re not allowed to give much away, but the story centers around a young couple who open up their house as a small hotel. As strange guests start to arrive, mischief and deceit becomes the name of the game. When a dead body is discovered, the guests must figure out who the culprit is.”

Other cast members are **Zach Johnson** (*West LHS / St. Paul-Howards Grove WI*), **Moriah Hackbarth** (*Lakeside LHS / St. Paul-Lake Mills WI*), **Jonah Backus** (*New London HS / Emanuel-New London WI*), **Aaron Schultz** (*LPS / First-Lake Geneva WI*), **Silas Dose** (*MVL / St. John-New Ulm MN*), **Nick Blank** (*LPS / Good Shepherd-West Bend WI*), and **Oliva Prost** (*LPS / St. Paul-Ixonia WI*).

“Forum is an awesome family,” says Dose. “We’ve gotten so close these past few months. I never expected to get involved in acting, but as soon as I started I was hooked. Everyone is really fun and supportive, and we put on some incredible shows.”

Bob Ross Paint Night

“Art in Ministry wanted an event that every student felt like they could participate in, so why not host one with a tutorial built in?” So says **Kristina Gonzales** (*Mobridge HS / St. Jacobi-Mobridge SD*). “As Bob Ross gains massive internet popularity, just putting his name on the fliers got students interested. We had a great group of MLC students just having fun and making art.”

While a Bob Ross video played on the projector screen, students grabbed some brushes and paper and got to work, creating their masterpieces. Many participants said it was the perfect stress reliever from their busy weeks, and they shared a bunch of laughs with friends. A competition at the end of the event awarded a first-, second-, and third-place award.

“Everyone loves Bob Ross, myself included, so I had to check it out,” says **Micah Otto** (*LPS / St. John-Baraboo WI*). “The night ended up being a lot of fun, and I was awarded first place for my painting. I loved the time we got to spend at the event. I got away from my homework for a bit and was able to just concentrate on something less serious, like attempting to paint the trademark happy little trees!”



The Mousetrap’s production staff, **Katherine Curtis** (*Homeschool / Faith-Sharpburg GA*), **Elizabeth Duff** (*St. Croix LHS / Crown of Life-West St. Paul*), and **Kati Guenterberg** (*FVL / Immanuel-Greenville WI*), promise the show is going to be killer.



Christian Monday (*LPS / Beautiful Savior-Cincinnati*) and **Dan Gensmer** (*MLS / Christ Our Savior-Columbia TN*) show up to the Art in Ministry event in Bob Ross-style wigs.