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Off the Beaten Path

Forum is taking the path less traveled with this year's One-Act Plays. "Off the Beaten Path" features *4 A.M.* and *Oz*, journeys that chronicle the musings of insomniacs and the misadventures of a mixed-up Oz.

MLC's Forum is largely student-run—including, for most productions, the role of director. Currently, first-year **Colin Krueger** (*FVL / Riverview-Appleton WI*) is directing *Oz*, and sophomore **Nathaniel Brauer** (*LPS / Trinity-Watertown WI*) is bringing *4 A.M.* to life.

What does it take to direct a play? Nathaniel acted in high school but hadn't thought about directing until a conversation with a friend sparked his interest. Now he's all in:

"It's been an amazing experience! I've got a great, hardworking cast," he says. "It's awesome to watch the show develop and grow."

Could this be you in a few years? "Directing isn't as scary as you think," Nathaniel says. "*4 A.M.* is the first show I've ever directed, and I've learned so much about leadership."

Cast member **Leah Nushart** agrees. "I love seeing students take charge of something like student directing," she says. "Our goal is to teach others or guide them in using their gifts. When I see someone stepping into that role, I get so excited for them as I witness them becoming leaders."

Pictured: Megan Buth, Mark Burger, and Leah Nushart learn their lines for 4 A.M. Show times are December 13-14 at 7:30 pm, and December 15 at 2:00 pm.

Featuring . . .

Oz

Katie Kopplin (*LPS / Divine Peace-Garland TX*)
Amanda Rehberger (*LPS / St. Paul-Appleton WI*)
Noah Ungemach (*Manitowoc / First German-Manitowoc WI*)
Becky Loescher (*KML / David's Star-Jackson WI*)
Jarrett Mielke (*LPS / Ascension-Sarasota FL*)
Michelle Goens (*GPL / St. Martin-Watertown SD*)
Kristin Uher (*WISCO / St. John-New Ulm MN*)
Molly Bauer (*CLHS / St. Paul/First-North Hollywood CA*)
Gaberien Jacobsen (*Homeschool / Shepherd of the Lakes-Fairmont MN*)
Josiah Winkel (*LPS / Redemption-Milwaukee*)
Josh Aden (*FVL / St. John St. James-Reedsville WI*)
Rachel Goddard (*MLS / St. Paul-Saginaw MI*)
Samantha Kiecker (*ALA / Emmanuel-Tempe AZ*)
Malachi Mortensen (*Lakeside / St. Stephen-Beaver Dam WI*)

4 A.M.

Jonas Landwehr (*DSA / Divine Savior-Doral FL*)
Jacob Schwark (*LPS / First-Elkhorn WI*)
Philip Snyder (*LPS / St. Paul-Wonewoc WI*)
Ashlee Olsen (*Manitowoc / Zion-Kiel WI*)
Megan Buth (*East Coweta HS-GA / Faith-Sharpsburg GA*)
Megan Mielke (*FVL / St. Matthew-Appleton WI*)
Mark Burger (*MLS / Shepherd of the Hills-Lansing MI*)
Tristen Goff (*Rancho HS-NV / Shepherd of the Hills-Las Vegas*)
Leah Nushart (*Manitowoc / Morrison Zion-Greenleaf WI*)
Lauren Stuebs (*Luther HS / St. Matthew-Stoddard WI*)
Jonah Plocher (*CLHS / King of Kings-Garden Grove CA*)

