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MLC Forum Presents: *The Elves and the Shoemaker*



If you were at MLC today, you'd witness a sea of children streaming down the sidewalk in single-file lines. Excitement radiates from them as they prance toward the auditorium, and the sound of their raucous giggles fills the hallways. It's simply adorable! No one is confused about what elicits such strong emotion from them . . . they're at MLC to see a play! For the hundreds of kiddos who will see Forum's production of *The Elves and the Shoemaker* this week, that's a pretty huge deal, and we're as excited as they are.

Noah Cook has frequented the MLC stage, but this is his first time directing a Forum production. He's loved every minute with his incredible cast. "This show illustrates that although many people may not notice you, although your work may not always seem to be the most glorious, you can do amazing things by doing your best," he said. "Sometimes the most amazing blessings come from the most unlikely places, and the most unlikely people do the most fantastic things. This cast brilliantly brings this theme to light and makes it thrilling for the kids."

Cast member **Leah Nushart** said, "This is the first Children's Theatre in years that we've been able to invite loads of kids to campus. They're what truly bring these shows to life. They put a spark in our hearts to give the show our all!" Leah's right—it's all about the kids. Not only does the cast have a passion for making the little ones smile, but they'd also love to see these kids grow up and enroll at our college as students someday!

Cast of Characters

Matilda Cobblestone:

Leah Nushart (*Manitowoc LHS / Zion-Greenleaf WI*)

Lockhart Cobblestone:

Josiah Winkel (*LPS / Redemption-Milwaukee*)

Sneerella Twerm/Loretta Le Pointe:

Brook Flunker (*Winneconne HS / St. Paul-Winneconne WI*)

Old Lady/Fairy Princess:

Abigail Schmitz (*WLA / Redeemer-Fond du Lac WI*)

The Elves:

Mortz: **Noah Uhlenbrauck** (*FVL / St. Peter-Appleton WI*)

Schwartz: **Emma Puhfal** (*WISCO / Emmanuel-Tempe AZ*)

Hazel: **Lily Zimpelmann** (*LPS / Immanuel-Manitowoc WI*)

Gracie: **Abbee Olsen** (*Manitowoc LHS / Zion-Kiel WI*)

Studebaker: **Aric Reim** (*Immanuel LHS / St. John-New Ulm MN*)

Mrs. Snootbottom:

Hannah Gabb (*LPS / St. Paul-Beverly Hills FL*)

Policeman/Zoom Corrigan:

Jeff Heyer (*FVL / Immanuel-Greenville WI*)

Mayor Clankbattle:

Josh Aden (*FVL / St. John/St. James-Reedsville WI*)

Widow Perkins:

Ashlee Olsen (*Manitowoc LHS / Zion-Kiel WI*)

Director:

Noah Cook (*LPS / Christ-West Salem WI*)

School Performance Coordinator:

Marissa Marten (*Manitowoc LHS / St. Paul-Howards Grove WI*)