

# Amherst Community Theater *presents*

We're so happy to host **Missoula Children's Theatre** for another year of FUN!  
MCT ([www.mctinc.org](http://www.mctinc.org)) comes to town with two directors, the sets, the costumes,

and bundles of energy and enthusiasm to put on a show in only one week!

Auditions are very entertaining and non-threatening. In general, there are spaces available for 60 cast members.

In recent years everyone who auditioned was cast, but there have been years when over 100 children have auditioned for only 60 spaces.

We anticipate that we may have a

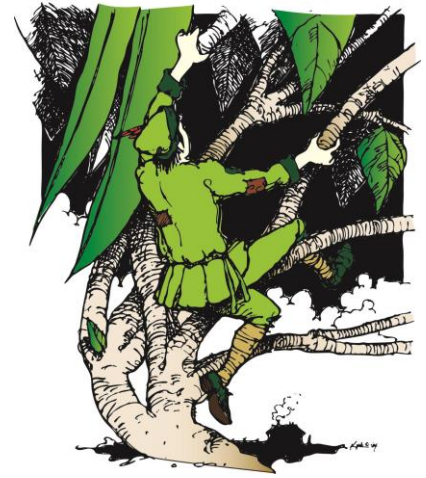
larger audition pool again this year, so please be aware—**some**

**auditioners may not be cast.** If your child is cast, you can expect a full and **very** fun

week, capped off with two performances in the ARMS Auditorium on Saturday.



## Jack and the Beanstalk



**Who:** Students in Kindergarten – grade 12

**When & Where:** Week of April 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>

**Auditions** @ Amherst Regional Middle School cafeteria

**Rehearsals** @ Amherst Regional Middle School

**Performances** @ Amherst Regional Middle School Auditorium

*(all locations pending approval of Amherst Regional Schools—we'll keep this info updated!)*

**Auditions:** Open large group audition... no signup or prior registration is necessary... just come and **be ready to begin at 4:15 sharp** on **Monday April 1<sup>st</sup>** at **Amherst Middle School cafeteria**. **Those auditioning should arrive at 4:00 and plan to stay for the full two hours.** Parents do not need to stay, but should return by 5:30. These are fun and non-threatening auditions where everyone auditions together. No preparation is needed—but a smile always helps! 😊

**Rehearsals:** The first rehearsal (older students only) begins approximately 30 minutes after the audition. Older students should bring a bag supper to eat between the audition and rehearsal in the event that they are cast.

**Rehearsals will run from 4:00 - 6:00 and 6:30 - 8:30 Monday – Friday @ ARMS, unless otherwise noted.**

Although not all cast members will be needed at every session, those auditioning must have a clear schedule **for the entire week** and if selected, be able to attend **all** rehearsals required for their role. A detailed rehearsal schedule will be distributed at the conclusion of the audition. **Older cast members with major roles are usually scheduled for all sessions and should bring a bag dinner each day.** Children in grades K-1 rehearse Wednesday through Friday afternoons.

**PERFORMANCES - Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>: Amherst Regional Middle School**

*Cast will be called at 12:00 noon to prepare for 1:30 show*

**Afternoon: TWO Performances at 1:30 and 4:00 PM**

**Registration:** \$75, (siblings \$40) payable at the audition by cash or check (**payable to Town of Amherst**)  
*(fee reductions/waivers are available upon request)*

**Tickets:** At the door only • Adults \$10, Students \$5

**Questions?** call: Betsy or David Mullins 256-1386

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## *HELPING KIDS DEAL WITH DISAPPOINTMENT*

*If your child is not cast in the show this week, the folks at Missoula Children's Theatre have some helpful thoughts...*

REMEMBER- Auditions are a new experience for many and are a learning opportunity that can sometimes be difficult--but it can also be very rewarding! With many students auditioning for a limited number of roles, the decisions of the Tour Actor/Directors are always very difficult. We sometimes have more children audition than can be cast.

Parents, how one reacts to disappointment is a tremendous test of character. Children will look to you as an example of how to react. Compliment them for their efforts and for taking a risk, and give them the encouragement to try again in the future. Support and encouragement can go a long way in helping your child deal with disappointment. It can be helpful to treat today's audition as an event in itself—regardless of the outcome, today has been lots of fun! There will be another opportunity next year—and there are a number of ways that children with an interest in theater can become involved in our area!

*Thank you so much for coming today,  
and we hope to see you again!*

