

AUDITIONS! AUDITIONS! AUDITIONS!

Amarillo Little Theatre is pleased to announce open auditions for the third Adventure Space production of the 2022-23 season.

IF/THEN

Music by Tom Kitt
Book & Lyrics by Brian Yorkey



AUDITION DATES

Dance workshop and auditions: Sunday, December 4 @ 7:00 pm

Vocal auditions: Monday, December 5 @ 7:30 pm

Callbacks: Tuesday, December 6 @ 7:30 pm (by invitation only)

ALT Adventure Space (2751 Civic Circle)

PRODUCTION DATES

February 2-12, 2023 @ ALT Adventure Space

DIRECTED BY: Jo Smith

MUSIC DIRECTION BY: Jennifer Akins

CHOREOGRAPHY BY: TBA

Character Information
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Curtain Call

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The following roles are available:

ELIZABETH: female presenting, 38, an urban planner, newly returned to New York City.

KATE: female presenting, 30s or 40s, Elizabeth's neighbor, a kindergarten teacher.

LUCAS: male presenting, 38, Elizabeth's college friend, a community activist.

JOSH: male presenting, 30s, a doctor and Army Reservist

STEPHEN: male presenting, 40s, Elizabeth's grad-school colleague, a city planner

ANNE: female presenting, 30s or 40s, Kate's girlfriend.

DAVID: male presenting, 30s, a pediatric surgeon.

ELENA: female presenting, 20s, a city planner.

ENSEMBLE OF VARIOUS CITIZENS IN NEW YORK CITY

Due to the nature of the story being told, the characters:

Kate, Lucas, Anne and David are part of the LGBTQIA+ community and therefore casting will be reflective of this. Those auditioning will be asked to do a prepared vocal audition not to exceed 60 seconds. Auditionees will also attend a dance workshop/audition and possibly cold readings from the script. All ethnicities are invited to audition. Ages and genders indicated are how the characters will be perceived, not necessarily the age/gender of the actors.

Amarillo Little Theatre is rooted in reflecting the Amarillo community through art and authentic storytelling. We recognize that in order to do that, every member of our community must be represented by our productions. We invite you to join us in providing art that challenges, entertains and represents us – Amarillo.

Perusal scripts are available at the ALT Box Office for a \$10.00 refundable deposit. Please contact the ALT Box Office for more information.

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November, 2022

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Amarillo Little Theatre in
collaboration with the ALT Academy
proudly presents

Elf the Musical

Based upon on the New Line Cinema
film by David Berenbaum

Book by **Thomas Meehan** and **Bob Martin**
Music by **Matthew Sklar**
Lyrics by **Chad Beguelin**



The Musical

December 1-18, 2022

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alt main stage
MUSICAL COMEDY

"A splashy, peppy, sugar-sprinkled holiday musical full of fun for the whole family!"

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Robert and Sue Stiles

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Are you ready to believe? The magic of the holiday season comes to life on stage as the Amarillo Little Theatre in collaboration with the ALT Academy present **Elf the Musical** beginning December 1!

After mistakenly crawling into Santa's toy sack as a young orphan boy, Buddy is raised by elves at the North Pole. Unaware he is really a human, Buddy's enormous size and lack of natural toy making skills that the other elves possess eventually forces Buddy to face the truth. With Santa's blessing, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father, Walter Hobbs, a cynical no-nonsense workaholic. Buddy soon discovers that most New Yorkers no longer believe in Santa and the spirit of Christmas. The problem is Santa's sleigh will only fly if people believe in him. Buddy's unrelenting sunny disposition and a profoundly ingrained love of Christmas not only creates hilarity amongst the cynicism of New Yorkers but may save Christmas!

ALT has assembled a brilliant and enthusiastic cast for this production including 17 current Academy students. **Ben Burke** makes his ALT debut as the over enthusiastic Buddy the Elf and **Evelyn Ruvalcaba** portrays Jovie, the New Yorker who needs a little Christmas in her heart this holiday season. The Hobbs Family consists of short-tempered dad Walter played by **Hugh Fristoe**, optimistic mother Emily played by **Jeri Tidmore** and sharing the role of son Michael Hobbs are Academy students **Atticus Lee** and **Graham Moore**.

The cast also includes **Hailey Christmas, Ariel Claire, Brooklyn Comer, Laken Derington, Emery Mills Forbis, Jaxson Gaitan, Megan Gore, Piper Gore, Wyatt Hall, Colton Harada, Joey Hill, Evelyn Johnston, Joanna Kimbell, Dillon Kizarr, Jamie McCarrell, Kristin McCarrell, Brandon McCauley, Gary Paul Moore, Hannah Moore, Sydney Nickson, Bodi Parks, Stoney Prickett, Sean Pritchard, Gabe Scherman, Nicholas Shaffer, Michael Villarreal, Grady Wyrick** and **Jeff Wyrick**. Artistic Director for this production is **Jason Crespin** with Music Direction by **Jennifer Akins** and Choreography by **Christeen Bernet**. **Laura Jo Worsham** serves as Assistant to the Directors with **AnnaLee Lujan** and **Blake Nester** as Production Assistants and **Saturn Horton** as Assistant Choreographer.

Based on the beloved 2003 New Line Cinema hit, **Elf the Musical** is a modern day Christmas classic that is sure to make everyone embrace their inner elf! This ALT musical promises to bring heart, hilarity and holiday joy to the stage because after all... "the best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear!"

Facts at a Glance

PERFORMANCE DATES:

December 1, 8 and 157:30pm

December 2, 3, 9, 10, 16 and 178:00pm

December 10, 11, 17 and 182:30pm

BOX OFFICE OPENS TO:

Members: Monday, Nov. 1410:00am

Public: Monday, Nov. 2110:00am

LOCATION:

ALT Allen Shankles Mainstage

2019 Civic Circle

Tickets: Box Office - 806-355-9991

Rated - PG

Order online at amarillolittletheatre.org

Director's Notes

The season is quickly almost half way over! To think that we have already presented strong productions of **42nd Street**, **Significant Other**, **Guys and Dolls** and **Robin Hood: The Rest of the Story** is remarkable! Thank you to each cast, crew, production team and audience member who helped make each of these shows a success for ALT!



Jason Crespin

As you read this article, our production of **Clybourne Park** will have just opened at the Adventure Space. This award-winning play has been expertly directed by guest director **Stephen Crandall**. The show examines real estate and race... 50 years apart. The cast and production team have all done an absolute fantastic job and I hope you have planned to see this show. It is probably the most acclaimed script of the season and we have wanted to produce it for quite sometime. I am so glad it is a part of our season this year. The show closes November 20th and if you have not seen it, I highly encourage you to catch one of the few remaining performances.

I hope many of you saw our announcement on social media on Halloween about the "treat" ALT was given. To recap, I was emailed an exclusive early offer to produce **Beautiful: The Carole King Musical**. This popular show was on tour but is taking a short hiatus and therefore certain theaters are being given the early rights to produce this biographical musical. There is a limited window in which we could produce this show, so after discussing it with the ALT Executive Board, we decided to take the offer. This sadly means that **Beautiful** will be replacing our already announced May production of **Priscilla Queen of the Desert**. I hope to still produce **Priscilla** sometime in the future as that script has a great story to tell and is such a fun show! You may remember years ago, a similar situation occurred when ALT was given early rights to produce **The Producers** that replaced **The Pajama Game**. We also were given early rights to **Les Miserables**. This just goes to show what a rich and healthy history ALT has producing strong works on our stage. We are honored to get these rights and I think you will really enjoy the show. **Beautiful: The Carole King Musical** tells the inspiring true story of Carole King's remarkable journey from teenage songwriter to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. This show is packed with unforgettable classics such as "You've Got a Friend", "One Fine Day", "So Far Away", "Take Good Care of My Baby", "Up on the Roof", "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling", "Will You Love Me Tomorrow" and "Natural Woman". **Beautiful** will run May 4-21, 2023 on the Allen Shankles Mainstage. Just like all the shows we produce, I hope you will make plans to attend.

This edition of the Curtain Call promotes our BIG December show, **Elf the Musical**. This Academy collaboration has been a blast to work on and I hope you come see this show! Actually, I hope you are able to get tickets! This show will sell out quickly so don't delay! Really, the best way to secure your tickets is to be a season ticket member. Memberships are available until December 31st and our lowest package is just \$61 for 4 admissions. Honestly, our Season ticket packages are the best deal in town for quality, live and local entertainment. Plus the availability to reserve your tickets to a show 1 whole week before the public is a HUGE bonus. Remember when the Academy's production of **Frozen Jr.** sold out during member week? I would hate for anyone to miss out on **Elf the Musical** so call our Box Office today if you need to get season tickets or add another package on to your account.

Can you tell I am excited about all the shows we are doing at ALT? I hope you are too.

See you all at a show soon,
Jason Crespin
ALT Managing/Artistic Director
jason@amarillolittletheatre.org

Solve your Holiday gift giving dilemma!

No need to worry about shipping woes and back-orders! Give the gift of experiences this year and see the joy last for months past the holiday season!

Season ticket packages make an excellent gift for that Theatre lover on your gift list.

You may purchase those memberships through December 31, 2022. Another great option would be an ALT Class or Gift Cards. Gift cards may be purchased in any denomination and never expire. **Contact the box office today for more information.**

Academy Spotlight

November is here and the Academy has much to be grateful for! We have had great success in the first half of our Fall semester, including bringing a world premiere to the Allen Shankles Mainstage. In October, 50 Academy students brought the legends of Robin Hood to life in **Carrie Huckabay's** original script, **Robin Hood: The Rest of the Story**. In addition to four public performances, the Academy held four sold out school performances during which over 1,800 students from 25 different area schools experienced live theatre, many for the first time.



Mikayla Garren

We at ALT always say that shows would not be possible without our amazing creative team, but that is especially true in the case of Robin Hood. Huge thanks to current Academy student and Theatre Intern **Mabry Fristoe** who served as my Assistant Director and our awesome Production Assistant **Jeffrey Pickens**, Academy alumni **Brandon Khamphoumy** and **Noah Lang** for designing and building the set, **Noah Lang** again for lighting design, Costume Designer and Academy parent **Joni Norris**, and Technical Director and past Academy parent **Gregg Dunlap**. We also had a crew of five Academy students, a lovely cast party thanks to the planning committee of Academy parents, great support from the **ALT Staff** and **Board of Directors**, and amazing friends and family of the cast and crew who went above and beyond for the show any chance they had. Of course, I am unendingly grateful to Academy instructor and playwright **Carrie Huckabay** and lyricist **Jeffrey Pickens** for creating the hilariously clever play. None of this would have happened without the support of our incredible sponsors to whom I am very grateful.

Staying busy with more than just the production of a play, the Academy has a wonderful variety of classes taking place this semester including **Musical Theatre Vocals**, many ballet classes, **Hip Hop** and **Costuming** as well as many others. We excitedly offered **Script Analysis** this semester, a new 8-week class for students 18 and older taught by **Terri Wilson**. Our **Show Stoppers Show Choir** has also been very busy preparing for an exciting Christmas concert to help them raise funds for their competition trip this Spring. Definitely follow our social media accounts for more information on how and when to attend.

Speaking of classes, pre-registration and registration for the Academy's Spring semester is just around the corner. Current Academy students can register for the Spring portion of their Fall classes beginning Monday, November 28th at 10am. Regular registration begins Monday, December 5th at 10am.

When recognizing my creative team for **Robin Hood: The Rest of the Story** I intentionally pointed out connections to the Academy. I did that to highlight the importance and excellence of this program. The training from each of our instructors is truly top notch, and the opportunities provided by the Academy's connection to ALT are hard to find anywhere else in the country. If you have worked to create or maintain excellence for our Academy students in any way, I sincerely thank you. And if you would like to get involved in some way, please reach out because we welcome you wholeheartedly. I think you'll come to realize what we all know, ALT is the place to be.

See you all in classes!
Mikayla Garren
Academy Director

The Amarillo Little Theatre is once again participating in The Panhandle Gives!



This annual campaign is hosted and coordinated by the Amarillo Area Foundation and runs **November 21 through November 29**. Any gift that is made to the Amarillo Little Theatre through this campaign will be amplified, allowing more people in this region to experience the magic of live theatre. We hope you will plan on making an end of the year donation through this campaign as every little bit helps. Visit panhandlegives.org, search for **Amarillo Little Theatre** and make a donation. Simple as that!

Our main goal this year with Panhandle Gives is to use the funds to help take the first steps toward a new performance space across the parking lot from the ALT Allen Shankles Mainstage. Allen started this idea years ago and already has mock up plans of what this new space would look like. Removing the Women's Fed Club Building is the first step in this plan, but we desperately need to conduct an asbestos abatement before any demolition can begin. Currently, the building is costing the theatre money and we need to remove it this season. Our hope is this campaign will generate the funds to make that happen! Won't you make a donation? Again, any donation through Panhandle Gives gets amplified so your gift becomes an even greater donation for ALT! **Question? Email Jason at jason@amarillolittletheatre.org!**



The Past



The Future