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METEA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL THEATER PRESENTS:

SHREK The Musical

Aurora, IL - 14th April, 2024 - Shrek the Musical is Metea Valley High School's Musical Production to entertain your whole family this Spring.

This hilarious & heartwarming story of acceptance and being true to oneself is a message that will always be relevant. This classic story was written as a book in 1990 by William Steig and then adapted into the beloved film in 2001. Those who grew up during this time can remember how ingenious the script was when we first saw it in theaters. Mike Meyers, Eddie Murphy, Cameron Diaz, and John Lithgow voiced the most hilarious and heartwarming animated characters when the musical hit Broadway in 2008, Jeanine Tesori and David Lindsay-Abaire captured our hearts further by adding lush orchestrations & intentional harmonies & lyrics.

“This show is the definition of magic; it was made possible because of the countless hours of work and passion that the students and staff poured into this production. I feel incredibly fortunate every single day to work with this level of talent & expertise.” states director, Brenda Perez de Tejada. Over 100 people dedicated their time and energy for 3

months so that our audiences could experience the magic & morals of this story. There are beautifully big musical numbers, special effects (see students fly!), nostalgic jokes & characters, and gorgeous live orchestrations by students. We are sure that you & your entire family, no matter what age, will walk out of our theater with an abundance of joy and in awe of our student's talent. (If you have little ones at home, they will LOVE this one.)

Because of the copious amount of talent this year, we have **two different lead casts** who will each have two performances. We also have an **understudy cast**, as an effort to create as much of a real-world experience as possible in our theater program. If something were to happen, our understudies have learned both an ensemble AND a lead track throughout the rehearsal process and would be ready to jump onstage should they need to. That means that there are three variations of this show to explore! We highly recommend attending more than one performance. We guarantee you will uncover a beautiful nuance every time.

Please note that on April 25th (Opening Preview) we will have our **character meet & greet at 5:45pm**. This is to ensure that any younger children (or adults) can take pictures with some cast members before curtain, in case some of them don't stay awake through the entire show.

Be prepared to laugh, dance, cry, sing along, and be reminded of how wonderful it is to be YOU. Thank you in advance for supporting our program and the arts at MVHS.

SHOW DATES

APRIL 25TH 2024 at 06:30 PM (Character Meet & Greet 5:45 pm)

May 02, 2024 at 06:30 PM

May 03, 2024 at 06:30 PM

May 05, 2024 at 06:30 PM

PRICING

Students and Senior Citizens - \$10

General Admission - \$15

Tickets can be purchased online. Please arrive at least 15 minutes before showtime. Shows will begin promptly at 6:30pm. Concessions will be available.

For more information, visit <https://gofan.co/app/school/IL67730?activity=Performing%20Arts> or contact [Metea Valley](#) main office at 630-375-5900.

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