



PRESS RELEASE

If its summer in Las Vegas, that must mean Missoula Children's theatre! This internationally acclaimed performance group is once again headed to our city. This year, their touring production is *King Arthur's Quest*. And, this also means that local children from the first through twelfth grades will have the opportunity to audition for the play. The touring group is scheduled for Las Vegas from **July 26 through July 31, 2010**.

Auditions will be held from **10 a.m. to noon on Monday, July 26** at Ifeld Auditorium on the Highlands campus. If cast, children will be allowed a short lunch break (on their own) and rehearsals will begin at 12:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Auditioners will not need to prepare anything but will be expected to be present for the full two hours. Of course, there is no guarantee that all those who audition will be cast, but a smile and a cheery attitude would be welcome. Once cast, the actors must commit to a full week of 4 ½ hour rehearsals. Rehearsals will last from 10 a.m. until noon, with a thirty minute lunch break and resume at 12:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. each day. Cast will be expected to be present at all rehearsals. *King Arthur's Quest* will be performed at **7 p.m. on Saturday, July 31st** at Ifeld Auditorium. The cast will likely be called several hours earlier on that day for a final dress rehearsal.

The Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT), the nation's largest touring children's theatre, has been touring extensively for 37 years now from Montana to Japan, and will visit more than 1,200 communities this year with 45 teams of Tour Actor/Directors. This year's tour team will be headed by two talented facilitators: Alisha Eberhart and Kristie Schuh. Both have extensive experience in performing arts. In addition, they will bring with them a full complement of theatrical sets, costumes and all. In fact, they will bring everything with them except the actors! Alisha and Kristie are excited about the Las Vegas residency. "MCT's mission" says Alisha "is to aid in the development of life skills in children through participation in performing arts." The Las Vegas Arts Council is proud to be this year's sponsor of *King Arthur's Quest*.

Performance tickets are \$7 general admission fee, with children ages 12 and under \$3. They may be purchased at the door. Highlands students with a valid identification will be admitted free. For further information contact the Arts Council at 425-1085 or email at lvac@cybermesa.com.