

NEW STAGE *Theatre*

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Discover Your Inner Elf at New Stage Theatre!



JACKSON—New Stage Theatre presents *Elf The Musical* November 30 – December 21! Based off the New Line Cinema Hit with a book by Thomas Meehan and Bob Martin, music by Matthew Sklar, and lyrics by Chad Beguelin, *Elf The Musical* is sure to be a holiday hit! Curtain times and dates for performances are November 30–December 1, December 7-9, 12, 14-16, 19-21 at 7:00 p.m. and December 2, 3, 10, & 17 at 2:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$45.00 with discounts available for students, senior citizens, military, and groups. Tickets can be purchased at the box office, charged by phone by calling the theatre at (601) 948-3533, or ordered online at www.newstagetheatre.com. This production is sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield and Trustmark. Security provided and patrols during performances. *Recommended for ages 8+.*

“The best way to spread Christmas Cheer is singing loud for all to hear!”

A title known the world over, *Elf The Musical* is based on the cherished 2003 New Line Cinema hit. Buddy, a young orphan, mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported to the North Pole. The would-be elf is raised, unaware that he is actually a human until his enormous size and poor toy-making abilities cause him to face the truth. With Santa's permission, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father and discover his true identity. Faced with the harsh realities that his father is on the naughty list and his half-brother doesn't even believe in Santa, Buddy is determined to win over his new family and help New York remember the true meaning of Christmas.

"Fans of the movie will enjoy many of Buddy's familiar antics with the added bonus of great musical numbers. It's pure, entertaining fun!," said Director Peppy Bidy about *Elf The Musical*!

New Stage Theatre Artistic Director Francine Reynolds said, “*Elf The Musical* continues the New Stage tradition of holiday musicals for the entire family. You do not have to be familiar with the movie to enjoy *Elf The Musical*, as its songs and story reminds us of the magic of this special time. Seeing the innocent understanding of Santa through Buddy the Elf's eyes will help children and adults renew a joyous Spirit of Christmas. Director Peppy Bidy, Musical Director Carol Joy Sparkman, and Choreographer Xerron Mingo are beautifully bringing *Elf The Musical* to life for us with an extremely talented company.”

The cast includes: Jack Baugh as Buddy (New York), Ray McFarland* as Walter (Jackson), Laura Dixon as Emily (Jackson), McKellar Goff as Michael (Madison), Cadman McQueen as Michael (Madison), Jaymi Horn as Jovie (Ohio), Chris Roebuck as Santa (Jackson), Xerron Mingo as Manager (Florida), Ben Williams as Mr. Greenway (Jackson), Ali Dinkins as Deb (Jackson), Cameron Pitre as Chadwick (Jackson), Simeon Taylor as Matthews (Jackson), Blaize Sutherland as Kid on Santa's Lap (Terry), Reginald Jefferson as Kid on Santa's Lap (Jackson), and Drew Stark (Florida), Erick Weeks (Madison), Paul Pelletier, Jr. (Florida), Baxter Evans III (Clinton), Mandy Kate Myers (Jackson), Leslie Ann Harkins (Jackson), Jayla Lomax (Jackson), Jamie Ferguson (Alabama), Morgan McKay (California), and Jade K. Dyer (Florida) as Ensemble Members. **appears through the courtesy of Actors' Equity Association.*

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Discount Nights

SANTA AND BUDDY MEET AND GREET: Ticketholders for the Saturday Matinee on December 2nd are invited to stay after the show to take pictures with Santa and Buddy the Elf!

STUDENT RUSH DISCOUNT: One hour prior to curtain for any performance, students with a current academic ID may purchase an available seat for \$10. Limit one ticket per ID.

YOUTH NIGHTS: Youth 18 and under can reserve \$15 tickets for the performances on Friday, December 1, 2023. This discount is only available by calling the box office and mentioning “youth night” for the discount.

Schedule & Ticket Information

Where:

1100 Carlisle Street, Jackson MS 39202

Dates:

Open: November 30, 2023; Close: December 21, 2023

Performance Times:

November 30-December 1, December 7-9, 12, 14-16, 19-21 at 7:00 p.m.
December 2, 3, 10, & 17 at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets:

\$45; seniors/students/military \$40

Box Office:

Telephone: 601-948-3533
Online: www.newstagetheatre.com
Email: tickets@newstagetheatre.com
Hours: Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Hours During Show:

Tuesday thru Friday: 10 am - 7:00 pm
Saturday: 1 pm – 7 pm; Sunday: 1 pm - 2 pm

Tickets Online:

Tickets may be purchased 24 hours a day, seven days a week at www.newstagetheatre.com (*a per-ticket service fee of \$3 applies to all online purchases*)

Director

Music Director

Choreographer

Production Stage Manager

Tech Director

Scenic/Projections Designer

Costume Designer

Lighting Designer

Sound Designer/Engineer

Asst. Stage Manager

Properties Designer

Asst. Director

Lead Electrician

Assist. Tech. Director

Assistant Costumer

Production Assistant

Charge Artist

Carpenters

Peppy Biddy

Carol Joy Sparkman

Xerron Mingo

Mattea Pierce

Richard Lawrence

Cody Stockstill

Caleb Blackwell

Braden Graves

Alberto Meza

Camden Clem

Jenna Kahley

Vern Allen

Matthew McMurtry

Antonio Juarez

Nina Frost

Darby Frost

Michael Montgomery

Dave Ellis

Jimmy ‘JR’ Robertson

CAST

Buddy	Jack Baugh (New York)
Walter Hobbs	Ray McFarland* (Jackson)
Emily Hobbs	Laura Dixon (Jackson)
Michael Hobbs (+)	McKellar Goff (Madison)
Michael Hobbs (++)	Cadman McQueen (Madison)
Jovie	Jaymi Horn (Ohio)
Santa	Chris Roebuck (Jackson)
Manager	Xerron X Mingo (Florida)
Mr. Greenway	Ben Williams (Jackson)
Deb	Ali Dinkins (Jackson)
Chadwick	Cameron Pitre (Jackson)
Matthews	Simeon Taylor (Jackson)
Kid on Santa's Lap	Blaize Sutherland (Terry)
Kid on Santa's Lap	Reginald Jefferson (Jackson)
Ensemble	Erick Weeks (Madison)
	Paul Pelletier, Jr. (Florida)
	Baxter Evans III (Clinton)
	Mandy Kate Myers (Jackson)
	Leslie Ann Harkins (Jackson)
	Jayla Lomax (Jackson)
	Jamie Ferguson (Alabama)
	Morgan McKay (California)
	Jade K. Dyer (Florida)

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