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## **Trollwood Performing Arts School Announces 2026 Mainstage Musical Disney's 'Frozen' Directed by Trollwood Alumna and Broadway Star Becky Gulsvig**

Trollwood Performing Arts School is proud to announce its 2026 Mainstage Musical, **Disney's *Frozen***, directed by Trollwood alumna and Broadway star Becky Gulsvig.

Trollwood is thrilled to bring the magical world of Arendelle to life on the stage at the Bluestem Amphitheater in the summer of 2026. Experience the musical phenomenon, based on the Award-winning animated feature film, that has taken the world by storm. Disney's *Frozen* features a beloved cast of characters and includes the film's beloved songs by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, plus new music written exclusively for the stage. Full of magic, humor, and a stunning musical score, *Frozen* is a powerful tale of sisterhood, acceptance, and finding the real meaning of true love. Trollwood's production of Disney's *Frozen* is proudly sponsored by Bell Bank.

"We're ushering in a new era at Trollwood, and I couldn't be more thrilled to begin this next chapter with Becky Gulsvig," Trollwood Executive Director Kathy Anderson said. "Her path has been extraordinary – filled with dedication, artistry, and a deep love for her craft – but what makes this so special is that she's coming home. She knows what it's like to be a young person finding their voice on the Trollwood stage. Now, our students will get to learn from someone who's walked that path and turned her passion into a lifelong journey. What a meaningful and exciting moment for our students."

Trollwood and Moorhead Senior High School alumna Becky Gulsvig returns to direct the 2026 Mainstage Musical Disney's *Frozen*. Gulsvig appeared in three Trollwood Mainstage Musicals, *42<sup>nd</sup> Street* (1998), *Jesus Christ Superstar* (1999), and *Damn Yankees* (2000), before setting off for New York, where she went on to establish herself as a Broadway star. Gulsvig follows Michael Walling, who directed 32 Mainstage Musicals from 1992-2025, as director of the Trollwood Mainstage Musical.

"I am honored to return to Trollwood as the Mainstage Musical director," Gulsvig said. "My time at Trollwood as a high schooler was such a formative time as a young artist and I am thankful for everyone at TPAS and especially to Michael Walling for his guidance to help me on my way to my Broadway dreams. It means the world to me to return and carry the torch forward and bring what

I've learned back to the Trollwood students to inspire the next generation to shine! Frozen is such a wonderful show and I can't wait to bring the beauty and magic of Arendelle to the Trollwood stage!"

[View a video message from Becky Gulsvig here.](#)

**Becky Gulsvig Bio:** Becky Gulsvig is honored to direct the Mainstage Musical at Trollwood where, as a high schooler, she starred in Michael Walling's productions of 42nd Street (Peggy Sawyer), Jesus Christ Superstar (Judas) and Damn Yankees (Lola). Gulsvig grew up dancing under Eddie and Kathy Gasper and graduated from Moorhead Senior High School, where she was a proud Speech Team member and MHS Musical participant under Rebecca Meyer-Larson.

Gulsvig moved to New York City in 2000 and has been NYC-based for the past 25 years. Her Broadway credits include *Hairspray* (Amber), *Legally Blonde* (Original Broadway Cast), *School of Rock* (Patty), *Come From Away* (Beverley & Others) and *A Beautiful Noise* (Jaye). Gulsvig also starred in three 1st National Tours: *Legally Blonde* (Elle Woods), *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical* (Cynthia Weil), and *Come From Away* (Beverley & Others). She has worked on television, in commercials, voice overs and performed on the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and twice on the Tony Awards.

Simultaneously to her Broadway credits in the past five years, Gulsvig founded and runs a Theatrical Enrichment program for children in New Jersey, where she lives with her husband, daughter, and two dogs.

Becky would like to give a shout out to her mom (Patty Gulsvig) for getting the ball rolling by paying for dance lessons and always being so fierce and supportive. Becky is extra proud to direct at this new Trollwood facility which her dad, the late Kris Gulsvig, helped to plan after both of his kids had graduated, because he saw what the theatre community can do for kids, families and this wonderful Fargo-Moorhead community full of such wonderful talent and artistry!

**Performance dates** of Disney's *Frozen* are set for July 20-25 and July 28-August 1 at Bluestem Center for the Arts, home of Trollwood Performing Arts School, 801 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Moorhead, Minn. Discounted group ticket sales for the purchase of 10 or more tickets on a single performance night will open November 3. Regular ticket sales will open in spring of 2026.

**Cast auditions** are currently scheduled for February 21-25, 2026. Information about **Orchestra auditions** will be forthcoming. All auditions are open to students currently in Grades 8-12. Students may begin signing up for an audition slot in November by calling 218-477-6500 or emailing [trollwood@fargo.k12.nd.us](mailto:trollwood@fargo.k12.nd.us). Students may also participate as a **run crew member** or **technician** by registering for summer programming beginning January 7, 2026. More details about joining the cast, orchestra, or technical crew can be found at [www.trollwood.org/mainstage-musical/](http://www.trollwood.org/mainstage-musical/).

**Synopsis from Music Theatre International:** *In the beautiful mountainous kingdom of Arendelle, Princesses Anna and Elsa grow up sheltered inside their castle, isolated from the world and*

*increasingly distant from each other. When Elsa is crowned queen, the magical powers she's desperately tried to conceal from her sister take control, and she flees into the mountains. As a ferocious winter descends on Arendelle, Anna sets off on an epic journey to find Elsa and bring her home – with the help of hardworking ice harvester Kristoff, his loyal reindeer Sven, and a happy-go-lucky snowman named Olaf.*

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