

Crossword Answers

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Does he enjoy playing the creation Dickens labeled a “squeezing, wrenching, grasping, scraping, clutching, covetous, old sinner”? Sandoval relished answering in character: “I feel villainous when I play it,” he said, adding a devilish laugh. “Ha! Ha! Ha!”

The cast

As Santa, Jim Osborn and his elf, Maddison Beauparland, act as narrators; Osborn also portrays a grizzled miner. Julien Thomas is the villain’s sidekick, Sneake, and Beth Beauparland is Sneake’s wife, Vivian, who previously owned Miss Vivian’s Saloon and works as Krooke’s housekeeper.

Nate Bucholz, an ASOC veteran who has also mentored Osborn, is the Ghost of Christmas Past in the shape of Krooke’s father, the “Big” Krooke. Shasta Stolle, an Ilwaco High School sophomore portrays Saint Lucia, the Ghost of Christmas Future.

Casting intentionally adds visual humor, exploiting height and age incongruities. Linetta (Roby) Warner, who is 18, portrays a mother of five children who is pregnant with twins.

Proud dad

Turnout for male actors at auditions was light, but



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Maddison Beauparland and Jim Osborn rehearse a scene from ‘Scrooged in Astoria.’

serendipity reigned. Travis Boggs chaperoned his daughter Brooklynn, chosen to play the young Virginia, Osborn’s first role years ago. Directors needed someone to portray her father; who better?


“It is very cool that they have that opportunity to play father-daughter on stage,” said Osborn. “He said, ‘Sure,’ jumped head first, right in, and has been fantastic.”

Similarly, Jennifer Sturdivant attended auditions to support her son Nicholas, chosen for the role of the young Max Krooke. His mom earned a role, too.

Also appearing are Adam Haase, Paula Fisher, Lexi Blacksten, Frank Rizzi, Casey Dopp, Melora Grenier, Aubrey Paz, Vivian Burnam and Lyla Miller.

Smiles

Stephanie Osborn’s reward is looming. “It’s the smiles and the happiness that we get to feel in here, especially during the holiday season,” she said.

“I am here to make people smile and laugh — and laughter brings joy to so many people. I am here with my family and new friends.” 



From left: Vivian Burnam, Aubrey Paz and Jim Osborn.



From left: Beth Beauparland, Zachary Sandoval and Julien Thomas in ‘Scrooged in Astoria.’

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