

Lake Melville School
North West River
presents

“The Little Fir Tree”

Cast

Fir Tree..... Shauna O’Dell
Other Trees..... Dalina Balke
Jenna Broomfield
Chelsea Beals
Becky Michelin
Fairy..... Megan Ryan
Thieves..... Bradley Hodder
Colin Hibbs
John Bartman
Goats..... John Montague
Kara Montague
Christopher Rich
Roxanne Rich
Forest Elves..... Colin Baikie
Daniel Graham
Silver Michelin
Mitchell Rich
Children..... Timothy Blake
Roxanne Rich

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Scene opens in a forest. Five trees on stage. One tree is a spruce.

Fir Tree Good morning everyone. What a beautiful day. Let's go down to the river and get our roots wet.

1st Tree Oh, it's that old spruce tree. What makes you think we want to stand around with you?

2nd Tree Don't touch me. You'll sting me with those awful needles of yours. They get stuck on my leaves.

3rd Tree You're so ugly, you never change. We have beautiful leaves that change colors with the season. You're the same all year long.

4th Tree We don't want to go anywhere with you. Go stand over there away from us.

(The four trees move away from the spruce tree)

Fir Tree Why do they always send me away and make fun of me. I'm not that ugly. My needles aren't that sharp. I'm so unhappy.

(Spruce tree starts to cry)

Fairy Poor little fir tree. Why are you crying on such a lovely day.

Fir Tree Oh Wood Fairy, all of the other trees make fun of me. They won't have anything to do with me.

(The fairy walks over to the other trees)

Fairy Is this true? Why don't you like the little fir tree?

2nd Tree His needles are too sharp. I don't want him near me.

4th Tree He's different than us. He's funny looking.

3rd Tree He never changes like we do. He always looks the same.

1st Tree We just don't like him.

(They go off to the side and stand by themselves)
(Fairy walks over to the fir tree)

Fairy Well little tree, you were right. They certainly aren't nice to you.

Fir Tree Fairy, can you help me get them to like me?

Fairy I do know magic and I can help the forest elves to help. What shall I do?

Fir Tree Change my leaves to gold. If I had golden leaves, I would be the most beautiful tree in the forest. The other trees would like me then.

Fairy Very well. Let me call up the forest elves.

Forest elves, forest elves,
Here me when I call.
Little tree wants golden leaves,
then he will stand tall.

(Elves come in and decorate the tree with golden leaves. Fairy and elves vanish)

Fir Tree Oh! Look at me, look at me! Look how beautiful I am. My leaves are bright and golden.

1st Tree You certainly are a pretty tree. Your leaves are really brilliant.

2nd Tree I wish I looked like you. You must be the most beautiful tree in the forest.

Fir Tree Yes I am. Come over here and stand next to me.

(Trees come and stand beside him)

Fir Tree (laughs) Why, you're really plain and ugly compared to me.

3rd Tree Everyone, be still. I hear people coming.

1st Thief I don't know about you but that was a bad haul. I don't think I got anything of value. (Empties bag)

2nd Thief All I got was a couple of old toys. They don't even work.

3rd Thief I got three hats and an old shoe. It's leather so I might get something for it.

1st Thief Who's going to pay money for one shoe? Let's face it. We must be the worst thieves in the whole world. We'll starve at this rate.

2nd Thief Hey, look at that tree over there. It looks like it has gold leaves. (Goes over and touches leaves)

3rd Thief It is gold, real gold! Come on, let's pick some!

1st Thief We'll never have to steal again. We're rich!!!

2nd Thief I'm going to buy a skidoo.

3rd Thief I'm going to Disneyland! (They pick the leaves and go.)

Fir Tree Oh no! Those nasty thieves have stolen all my beautiful leaves.

2nd Tree I guess I'm not the one who is plain and ugly now. (Other trees laugh)

Fir Tree All my golden leaves are gone. (Cries)

Fairy What's the matter now little tree? Why are you crying?

Fir Tree Some awful thieves have stolen all my golden leaves. Can you help me?

Fairy What can I do?

Fir Tree Perhaps you can give me some glass leaves. I would still be pretty and no one would steal glass leaves

Fairy Very well then. (Waves her wand).
 Forest elves, forest elves, hear me when I ask.
 Make the fir tree happy and change her leaves to glass.
 (Elves come in and decorate the tree with glass leaves. Fairy and elves leave)

Fir Tree Look at me everyone. I have leaves made of glass!

4th Tree I can see myself in your branches. Come over here. (Other trees crowd around fir tree)

Fir Tree Don't come too close to me. You might break my beautiful leaves.

4th Tree We want to look at ourselves.

Fir Tree Be careful, it's getting windy out and your branches might break mine. (Wind comes up)

Fir Tree Look out, it's really windy. (Wind comes up and glass leaves fall and break)

Fir Tree Now look what you've done. You broke all my glass leaves.

1st Tree We didn't mean to. It got windy and our branches knocked against yours.

Fir Tree Now I have to call back to wood fairy. Wood fairy, wood fairy, where are you?

Fairy What's the matter now tree?

Fir Tree Oh good fairy, it got really windy and all my glass leaves broke.

Fairy I don't know what more I can do to help you.

Fir Tree Can you just make me look like all the other trees in the forest?

Fairy OK I'll give you some leaves but this time is the last time I can help you.
Forest elves, forest elves, hear me one last time.
The little tree wants leaves of green and then she will feel fine.
(Elves come in and put leaves on tree)

Fir Tree Well, I may not be the prettiest tree but at least I look like everyone else.

2nd Tree Your leaves are really nice. They're large and green, much bigger than ours.

3rd Tree Quiet everyone! I see Billy goats coming this way! (4 goats enter on stage)

1st Goat Baa! Baa! I'm hungry. I haven't had a decent thing to eat all day!

2nd Goat How far are we from this meadow you've been talking about?

3rd Goat Yeah! I'm starved! I could use some nice green grass right now.

4th Goat I know there's a meadow around here somewhere. I'm not sure how far away it is. (Looks around)

1st Goat I can't walk another step. I've got to have some food.

4th Goat Hey look at this tree over here. It's leaves are really green.

3rd Goat They smell nice. (Takes a bite) They taste pretty good. Come and try some.
(They all start to eat leaves)

2nd Goat These leaves are delicious. Much better than any grass we could eat.

1st Goat I'm going to take some for later.

Goats Good idea. (Take leaves and go)

Fir Tree Oh! Those greedy goats have eaten all my leaves. I'm back the way I was.

4th Tree I guess you'll have to stay that way. The fairy can't help you anymore.

Fir Tree Yes, I'm never going to be a special tree.

(Children come on stage)

Girl Oh look at that pretty tree over there.

Boy It would make a beautiful Christmas tree!

Girl I could put lights and tinsel on the tree and a star on top.

Boy I'll put all my presents under it. Let's take it home. (Take tree and leave)

1st Tree How lucky! We never get to be Christmas trees.

2nd Tree Yeah! I guess it was a special tree after all!

(Lights fade)