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## **Shea's Performing Arts Center Invites Community to Shea's Buffalo Theatre for “Elf”**

### **Visit Shea's for Free Film & Activities December 12**

Shea's Performing Arts Center invites the community to Shea's Buffalo Theatre to see **Elf on Friday, December 12 at 7:00PM (Doors open at 6:00PM)**. The movie watching event is part of an expanded **Shea's Free Film Series** for the 2025-26 season, which includes eight movies appealing to audiences of all ages.

Movie goers are invited to come early for pre-film activities led by Shea's Arts Engagement and Education team and to experience the beautiful theatre decorated for the holidays. Concessions will be open featuring candy, popcorn, specialty cocktails, and a hot cocoa bar. Visitors will also be able to select a free book, collected during **Beauty and the Beast** “Beauty of a Book Drive.”

**Elf** was originally released in 2003, starring Will Ferrell, Zooey Deschanel, James Caan, and Mary Steenburgen. “Raised as an oversized elf, Buddy travels from the North Pole to New York City to meet his biological father, Walter Hobbs, who doesn't know he exists and is in desperate need of some Christmas spirit.”

The other upcoming free film events include:

- “**Classic Sunday**” featuring: **The Parent Trap** 11:00AM (Doors open at 10:00AM) and **The Goonies** 4:00PM (Doors open at 3:00PM) Sunday, January 18, 2026
- “**Superhero Sunday**” featuring: **The Incredibles** 11:00AM (Doors open at 10:00AM) and **Guardians of the Galaxy** 4:00PM (Doors open at 3:00PM) Sunday February 22, 2026

- ***Jurassic World Rebirth*** 1:00PM (Doors open at noon) Sunday, March 8, 2026
- ***A Minecraft Movie*** 1:00PM (Doors open at noon) Sunday, May 17, 2026

Tickets are free to the public; however, seating is limited. Tickets will be available online approximately three weeks prior to each film. For free tickets to ***Elf*** visit: <https://www.sheas.org/performances/free-film-series/>.

Shea's Free Family Film Series is made possible thanks to grant support for arts engagement and community programming from Erie County.

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**Additional Media Resources:**

***Elf*** Video Trailer: [Elf \(2003\) Official Trailer](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JyfJLjyfJyf)

**Graphic:** <https://media.sheas.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/19153001/Film-Announce.png>