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2015-16 NW Children's Theater's Season of Plays



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*Our mission—
to educate, entertain
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NW Children's Theater is excited to announce a season filled with music, magic, and one very misunderstood ogre. NWCT's 23rd Season builds on last year's record-breaking success, including seven Drammy and nine Portland Area Musical Theater Awards, promising to delight families with stories of familiar friends, fantastical adventure, and the return of two of NWCT's most popular original productions.

ELEPHANT & PIGGIE'S "WE ARE IN A PLAY!"

Based on the "Elephant & Piggie" books by Mo Willems; Published by Hyperion Books for Children; Script and Lyrics by Mo Willems; Music by Deborah Wicks La Puma

Perfect for first-time theater-goers, this upbeat musical explores the world of "bestus friends" Gerald the Elephant and Piggie the Pig. Together, they tackle friendship's big questions: What happens when two friends want to play with ONE toy? And will ANYONE say Banana?

SEPT. 26 - OCT. 25, 2015

SAT & SUN 10 AM & 1 PM

Most enjoyed by ages 4 and up

THE SUN SERPENT

Drama by José Cruz González

When the arrival of Cortes' fleet shatters the Aztec world, two brothers must embark on a journey that explores myth, conflict, and the bond of brotherhood itself. Told through an innovative mix of language, masks, and digital media.

OCT. 3 - 24, 2015

FRI, SAT & SUN 7 PM

Most enjoyed by ages 8 and up

SHREK — THE MUSICAL

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig; Book & Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire; Music by Jeanine Tesori

How is an ogre like an onion? Do donkeys and dragons make good friends? Do YOU know the muffin man? Discover the answers to these questions and more as Shrek, Fiona, and company bumble, blunder, and belch their way from one twisted fairytale to another in this rowdy re-telling of the beloved animated film.

DEC. 5, 2015 - JAN. 3, 2016

DAYS VARY, ALL SHOWS NOON & 4:30 PM

Most enjoyed by ages 5 and up

ALICE IN WONDERLAND

A Jazz Musical Conceived & Composed by Ezra Weiss; Book by Sarah Jane Hardy; Based on the book "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" by Lewis Carroll.

Tumble down the rabbit hole as Alice's adventures through Wonderland are transformed into a spectacular jazz odyssey!

This original NWCT adaptation is filled with classic characters from the Mad Hatter to the Queen of Hearts and a beautiful original score inspired by jazz greats from Davis to Monk.

JAN. 30 - FEB. 28, 2016

SAT & SUN NOON & 4 PM

Most enjoyed by ages 6 and up

SNOW WHITE

Book by Milo Mowery; Music by Rodolfo Ortega; Lyrics by Mowery & Ortega

When a jealous queen's rule is threatened by the "fairest of them all", Snow White must set out to unite the seven spirits and liberate a kingdom. This fast-paced, award-winning NWCT original reimagines the classic fairytale as an epic, anime-inspired adventure. Brimming with action, humor, and bow-staff enhanced sibling rivalry this is an empowering fable for the whole family.

APRIL 23 - MAY 22, 2016

FRI 7 PM, SAT & SUN NOON & 4 PM

Most enjoyed by ages 6 and up

TICKETS & INFORMATION

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Aug 5, 2015

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