Northwest Children's Theater and School Presents

## Go, Dog. Go!

story by P.D. Eastman, adapted by Steven Dietz and Allison Gregory, music by Michael Koerner

# NORTHWEST~~ CHILDRENS THEATER and ~~~SCHOOL

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"Big dog!" "Little dog!" "Big dogs and little dogs!" Bark by popular demand! You love the book, now see the musical! Straight from the pages of P.D. Eastman's children's classic, Go, Dog. Go! is a rollicking free-for-all musical world of doggy fun, complete with crooning canines that dance and drive!

### "Some big dogs and some little dog going around in cars!"

A barking cast and howling tunes make this show a 'tail-wagging' good time! With an ensemble lead by John Ellingson (the Cat in the Hat from NWCT's Seussical), this show pulls a troupe of fourteen actors and acrobats and live musicians on stage to create this doggy display!

## "Dogs at work." "Work, dogs, work!" "Dogs at play." "Play, dogs, play!"

Directed by NWCT Artistic Director Sarah Jane Hardy, this charming adaptation by Steven Dietz and Allison Gregory aims to "celebrate and explore the existing words and pictures... in the same way that a child (and parent) can read through Mr. Eastman's book night after night and find something new and remarkable with every turn of the page!"

This much-requested remount again features acclaimed NWCTArtist in Residence John Ellingson as the MC Dog, with an ensemble cast including Claire Aldridge, Emily Bryan, Connor Delaplane, Madeleine Delaplane, Peter Elgee, Grover Hollway, Bryan Kinder, Stephanie Roessler, and Sophie Shely

"A green dog over a tree." "The green dog is up!" "Go, dogs. Go! The light is green now!"

In a city renowned for its 'green approach' to everything from civic planning to the arts, NWCT is proud to announce that Go, Dog. Go! will be produced with a focus on using reclaimed materials, in cooperation with the The ReBuilding Center. Contact NWCT for more information on this partnership!

"Do you like my hat?"

"I do. What a hat! I like it! I like that party hat!" Award-winning costumes by Mary Rochon turn plain old actors into playful pooches, while lights by Jeff Forbes sparkle and shine on an inventively flexible set by Patrick Larsen, and props by kollodi and music direction by Rodolfo Ortega makes this show a colorful canine cabaret!

"Big dogs, little dogs, red dogs, blue dogs, yellow dogs, green dogs, black dogs, and white dogs are all at a dog party! What a dog party!"

The dogs will be showing off their tricks March 19-April 3. For tickets, call 503-222-4480 or visit www. nwcts.org.

Go, Dog. Go! is presented through special arrangement with Plays for Young Audiences. It is produced in part through the support of the Collins Foundation, Regional Arts and Culture Council and Work for Art, James F. and Marion L. Miller Foundation, the NWCT Producers Guild, and NWCT Donor Circle Members. Over 5,000 school children will see the dogs showing off their tricks through 12 student matinee performances.

#### WHEN

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Special Spring Break Matinees! Tues.-Fri., Mar. 22-25, at 12pm & 3pm

#### WHERE

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