

Seussical™

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PRESS RELEASE:

Seussical Returns to NWCT for Dr. Seuss' Birthday

Join Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz and the Cat in the Hat in this musical adventure through the limitless imagination of Dr. Seuss. From the tiny land of Who-Ville to the Jungle of Nool, Seuss's timeless tales leap from page to stage.

Seussical™ first opened on Broadway in the fall of 2000. In 2004, it was reworked by Theatreworks USA, streamlining the story and retooling some of the songs and dialogue. The new version has enjoyed huge success across two US tours, a run in London's West End, and in children's theaters across the country, including NWCT, which previously produced the show in 2006.

Seussical™ also marks the return of several cast members from the 2006 run. Reprising their leading roles are NWCT Resident Artist John Ellingson as the Cat in the Hat and Lucas Welsh as Horton the Elephant (a part that earned him a Drammy Award seven years ago). Veteran musical theater performer Kelly Stewart takes on the feather-filled role of Gertrude McFuzz, and young Henry Martin makes his fourth appearance on NWCT's Mainstage as Jojo of Whoville.

Seussical™ pulls from many different stories by Dr. Seuss, including *The Cat in the Hat*, *Horton Hears a Who*, and *Miss Gertrude McFuzz*. In honor of the legendary author's birthday, closing weekend of *Seussical*™ will fall on his 108th Birthday. NWCT will host a day-long celebration featuring games, crafts, and cupcakes from Saint Cupcake. Families who attend the March 2 performance in costume will receive complimentary concessions.

SEUSSICAL™ – THEATRE FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI) and 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, and NWCT Donor Circle Members. More than 4,000 school children will visit the Jungle of Nool with Horton and friends during twelve student matinee performances.

PHOTOS

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Info: (Cat in the Hat) John Ellingson and (JoJo) Henry Martin in NW Children's Theater & School's world premiere of *Seussical*™.

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