

# 2007 Kudzu "Sprouts" shows 2007

All seats are \$6.00

2007 ~~~~~For children 3 to 9 years old~~~~~2007

## A Chris Mess Carol

November 28-December 15, 2007

Wednesday-Saturday at 11 am

Chris has the worst temper of any child you have ever seen. All Chris thinks about is "Chris." She is selfish and spoiled and thinks nothing of having temper tantrums. On Christmas Eve she meets four mysterious strangers who help to change her life.

Shows are always around 1 hour with no intermission and no blackouts and often have audience participation.

Reservations strongly suggested for all "Sprouts" shows

Sprout shows will remain in this location until further notice

Group rates (\$5.00) are available for groups of 15 or more. To get the discount tickets must be paid in advance and you get reserved seating.

**SPROUTS SHOWS, CLASSES  
and our BOX OFFICE will remain**

**At our 608 Holcomb Bridge Road location.**

Kudzu 3rd Stage 608 Holcomb Bridge Rd. Roswell, GA 30076

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# Kudzu Children's Theatre

Presents

**A Kudzu Sprouts Production of**

## *Little Bo Peep*



**September 13-October 13, 2007**

**Thursday-Saturday at 11am**

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**Bermuda Avenue Triangle** August 31-September 29 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm \$18/\$16  
By Renee Taylor and Joseph Bologna Sunday September 2, 9, 16 and 23 at 2:30 pm \$14/\$12

This outrageous comedy concerns the adventures of a Jewish widow and an Irish widow whose successful daughters move them to Las Vegas, where they share a retirement village condo. On an excursion, they are saved from a mugger by a charming if not quite sober gambler who is short on cash. They allow him to curl up on the living room floor and he manages to sweet-talk his way in both ladies' beds. Each situation is rife with outrageous, excessive comedy.

**Breakfast With Les and Bess** October 12-November 10 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm \$18/\$16  
By Lee Kalcheim Sunday, October 14, 21, and 28 and November 4 at 2:30 pm \$14/\$12

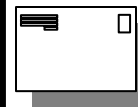
Les and Bess are a married couple who co-host a radio talk show in New York City before the turmoil of the sixties stirred the country out of its complacency. Les and Bess are about to have their talk show cancelled because of lack of interest. Since their marriage is based on their show, they may have to cancel their marriage as well. Les wants to go to Houston to be a sports announcer, his dream. Bess wants to stay in New York. Will Les and Bess stay together? Will their budding radical of a son straighten up? Will their daughter actually marry the sailor she has just met? Will their long-distant phone call from Princess Grace of Monaco ever come through? Stay tuned..

**A Christmas Carol** November 23-December 24 Every Friday and Saturday at 8pm \$18/\$16  
By Wally Hinds Thursday, December 7, 14 & 21 at 8pm \$14/\$12  
Saturday, December 2, 9, 16 & 23 at 4pm \$14/\$12  
Sunday December 3, 10, 17 & 24 (Christmas Eve) at 5pm \$14/\$12  
Tuesday/Dec 19, Wednesday/Dec 20, Thursday/Dec 21 at 8pm \$14/\$12

Charles Dickens shows us Ebenezer Scrooge as he falls asleep in his dingy, cold quarters on Christmas Eve. The old miser is visited by three ghosts, each revealing to Scrooge the wrong doings of his and what will happen if he continues in his evil ways. This traditional holiday classic for the whole family is filled with old English Christmas Carols

**Wish list:**

Paper, (white and card stock for printing) **Volunteers**, vintage clothing, unique costume items, **volunteers**, small tables, chairs, wooden chairs, **volunteers**, stools, pictures, mirrors, children's Halloween costumes (especially fairy tale costumes for our classes and camps) table cloths,



It has gotten so expensive to mail information! We are developing an email list so that we can send announcements when shows are going to open and when we have information to pass along. We will never sell or share your email address. Please let us know if you want to be on our list.

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Kudzu Children's Playhouse and Young Actors Ensemble

presents

\$8.00  
all seats

*Aesop...Under the Highway*

**October 17-20, 2007 at 11am**

Wednesday, October 17/Thursday, October 18/Friday, October 19  
Saturday, October 20 at 11am

When the fables of the ancient Greek story teller, Aesop, are brought to life in a school hallway, a cast of very-hip-students begins to see how the ancient-day morals can be applied to the complex relationships and responsibilities facing today's youth.

"Aesop" is packed with one hour of contemporary, upbeat music, lots of dance and a message that will stimulate discussion. There's no better way to bring Aesop's fables into the 21st century.

*Field Trip Opportunities* for 3rd through 6th Grades  
Group rates (\$6.00) available for groups

If you would be interested in renting the theatre at 608 Holcomb Bridge Road

*Kudzu Stage 3*

Please call Jeannie or Wally Hinds for details

770-594-1020

## Kudzu Kidz Winter Classes 2008

**Ages 4-6 years old - Wednesday**

*January 9-March 12, 2008 4-5 pm \$170.00 (10 weeks)*

**Ages 6-10 years old -Wednesday**

*January 9-March 26, 2008 5-6 pm \$185.00 (11 weeks)*

**Ages 10-15 years old -Wednesday**

*January 9-April 18, 2008 6-7 pm \$215.00 (13 weeks)*

**No class from April 7-11 for Spring Break**

***A \$50.00 deposit will hold your spot***

**A LITTLE DRAMA NEVER HURT ANYONE!!!**

**JENNY SCHER** (*Playwright*) Jenny is proud that *Little Bo Peep* makes her third adaptation for the stage. Her other writing credits include *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* and *The Velveteen Rabbit*. You may have also seen her on stage in Sprouts plays as the "Donkey" in *The Bremen Town Musicians* or as the "Christmas Fairy" in *A Chris Mess Carol*. Jenny is also an experienced story teller and choral singer. Thanks to Leslie Kelley for being so encouraging and such a good friend.

**HUNTER DEREYNA** (*Tech*) Hunter is an 11 year old 6<sup>th</sup> grader. Last year he performed in *Peter Pan* as a pirate with Applause for Kids and he was a stage hand in Kudzu's *Goldilocks and The Three Bears*. Hunter is talented when it comes to all things electronic (especially video games) and he looks forward to doing more lighting and sound in the future. He is homeschooled during the week and he spends his Saturday's attending pilot school where he hopes to obtain his license one day. He would like to thank Leslie Kelley for this opportunity to be a part of the play.

Information about

## Kudzu 3rd Stage

608 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell Town Center, Roswell, Ga.

Kudzu Playhouse, Inc. is a 501c3 non-profit, tax exempt organization. The Kudzu Playhouse is a member of the Atlanta Coalition of Performing Arts, Fulton Arts North, The Historic Roswell Convention & Visitors Bureau, Theatre Communications Group and The American Alliance for Theatre in Education.

**We wish to extend our most heartfelt thanks to the many friends and supporters for their hard work and dedication. They have been there with us giving of their time, money and support. Without them, AND YOU, this theatre would not exist.**

*Kudzu Playhouse needs people to work in the concession stand and to take tickets at each show. If you would like to be a volunteer, please call the theatre at 770-594-1020. We would love to have you be a part of the theatre.*

## Kudzu Wants YOU!!!

If you can wield a hammer or a paintbrush, or climb a ladder to hang a light; or if you know which end of a drill holds the bit, or how to run lights or sound or be a stage manager; or if you can help with set dressing, or hunt for props, or hem a skirt, or be a crew member; or man the concession stand, or if you would like to learn to do any of these things.....

Call Jeannie Hinds or our volunteer Coordinator, Suzanne Clark at **770-594-1020**, It's a great way to meet and have fun with new people, and you may find that the world of community theatre is right up your alley.

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**Kudzu Family Playhouse**

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### Ramona Quimby

September 1-October

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Based on the books by Beverly Cleary, Dramatized by Len Jenkins

Saturday evening, September 29 at 7:30pm

Ramona Quimby, unpredictable, exasperating, boisterous and independent, is always aggravating her older sister, Beezus and constantly getting into trouble. As narrator, Beezus introduces the Quimby family in scenes that trace Ramona's tumultuous passage through third grade and through her family relationships that shape a humorous, loving family portrait. The problems facing the Quimbys, a middle-class Oregon family, are problems common to most families, and the family's togetherness is a clear statement of traditional family values. Along with the discovery that life is not always fair, eventually Ramona and Beezus come to realize that sisters may not always agree, but they can be good to have around.

### Laura Ingalls Wilder, Voice of the Prairie

October 13-November 18

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Adapted by Kathryn Schultz Miller

Saturday evening, November 10 at 7:30pm

Here is a stirring, dramatic adaptation based on the true story of Laura Ingalls Wilder; from the little house in the big woods to her fascinating rise as a literary star. From log cabins and covered wagons to the simple joys of farm life in the Ozarks, this new play brings insight and meaning to her charming books beloved by children everywhere. *Laura Ingalls Wilder: Voice of the Prairie* is a vivid and moving tribute to a remarkable woman. Laura's commitment to family, hard work, love and duty still inspire the very best in all of us.

### The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

November 24-December 24

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

By Barbara Robinson

Saturday evenings, December 8, 15 & 22 at 7:30pm

December 24, Christmas Eve (Monday) at 2pm

In this hilarious Christmas tale, a couple struggling to put on a church pageant is faced with casting the Herdman kids, probably the most inventively awful kids in history. You won't believe the mayhem and the fun, when the Herdmans collide with the Christmas story head-on. An American Classic! One of the best Christmas stories ever and certainly one of the funniest! This delightful comedy is adapted from the best selling book.

### Note to SEASON TICKET HOLDERS and Patrons:

Because of the difficulty we have experienced due to our move to the new theatre, *Virtue Triumphs Over Villainy* will be **DELAYED (NOT CANCELLED)**. We hope to open this show at the old location sometime during the run of *Ramona Quimby*. It will run on Saturday and Sunday at 2 and the exact dates will be announced later. Please be sure you are on our email list so we can let you know the details.

**Thank you all so much for your patience during this trying time of Kudzu's growth. Thank you for all your words of encouragement and for your understanding.**

### Virtue Triumphs Over Villainy or Curses, Foiled Again

By Wally Hinds

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED

Our beautiful young heroine, Purity Peabody, pure as the driven snow, has had to leave her job at the Roswell Mill. Desperate for employment, she is hired by Roswell millionaire, Putnam Pearson. Meanwhile, Silas Sickamore, our villainous villain is trying to get Purity into his clutches. The black-hearted cad is trying to force Purity to marry him, a fate worse than death. Just when it looks like curtains, our hero, Tyrone Trueheart, arrives in the nick of time to save the day. Enjoy every chance to hiss the villain, cheer the hero and heroine and have the time of your life.

# Kudzu Children's Playhouse

Managing Director  
JEANNIE HINDS

Managing Artistic Director  
WALLY HINDS

Kudzu Sprouts Artistic Director  
LESLIE KELLEY

Presents

## *Little Bo Peep*

A Kudzu Sprouts Production

Written by **Jenny Scher**

Directed by **Leslie Kelley**

Tech .....Hunter Dereyna  
Costumes and Props.....Debby Thomson

**No Flash Photography, Video, or Sound Recording devices are permitted in the theatre. For the convenience and comfort of all patrons, please turn off cell phones and beepers during the performance.**

### Cast

**Clee Alexander .... Lost Lamb/Jack Horner/Kitten/Twinkle**  
**Suzanne Clark ..... Sheep/Kitten/Dog Owner**  
**Hayley Hoag..... Bo Peep**  
**Julie Merrill ..... Sheep/Kitten**  
**Debby Thomson.....Sheep/Market Lady/Boy Blue/Mary**

**PLACE: Scene 1: A meadow**  
**Scene 2: Town**  
**Scene 3: A meadow**

**NO INTERMISSION**

## WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST AND CREW In Alphabetical order

**CLEE ALEXANDER** (*Lost Lamb/Jack Horner/Kitten/Twinkle*) This is Clee's seventh production at Kudzu. She has loved performing in *A Christmas Carol*, *Stuart Little*, *I Think I Can*, *Peter Rabbit*, *Froggie Went a Courtin'* and *Ramona Quimby*. She is an 8 year-old homeschooler who enjoys singing and playing with her friends. She would like to thank her mom, dad, brother, and sisters, and all of her amazing fellow cast members for their wonderful support!

**SUZANNE CLARK** (*Sheep/Kitten/Dog Owner*) Suzanne Clark is a native Texan, but an Atlanta resident since 1966. She graduated from Emory University with a degree in Education and Sociology and has served the Atlanta community as a realtor for 30 years. In 2006, Wally Hinds invited her bereavement group to become active in the theater community and Suzanne quickly responded to his invitation and joined the staff working on marketing and assisting in the box office of Kudzu Playhouse. She would like to thank Adrianna Warner, her first drama instructor, for introducing her to her "inner thespian" and Leslie Kelley and Jeannie Hinds for helping her cross the threshold from audience to stage.

**HAYLEY HOAG** (*Bo Peep*) Hayley was born in Dallas, TX and has also lived in Ohio, where she performed with the Columbus Children's Theatre. She moved to Cumming Georgia in February of 06. Hayley is the oldest of 4 and has 2 brothers and one sister. She attends 5th grade at Victory Christian Academy in Cumming. She is also a member of Brown's Bridge Community Church. Other activities and interests include: gymnastics team, tennis team, playing softball, playing the piano, webkinz, and hanging out with her friends. Hayley is ecstatic to be in her first production at Kudzu and is looking forward to performing in future shows at Kudzu.

**JULIE MERRILL** (*Sheep/Kitten*) Julie has had a love of the Theater since her rousing success as an Autumn Leaf in her first grade play. After selling out the Newtown Elementary School Cafeteria for three straight performances, she knew she was on to something big. Since that most formative role she has enjoyed playing a variety of characters including Blanche DuBois from *A Streetcar Named Desire*, Amanda Wingfield from *The Glass Menagerie*, and a Lady of the Royal Court at the Georgia Renaissance Festival. She has even been known to costume a play here and there. She is very excited to be a part of the Kudzu Sprouts Program, and eagerly awaits her debut at the Kudzu Theater. Julie is married to a wonderful chap called Jason, and together they are parenting two kitties, Esme, aged 11 and Bosie, 9 weeks.

**DEBBY THOMSON** (*Sheep/Market Lady/Boy Blue/Mary*) Debby has been performing at Kudzu Playhouse for a few years. This will be her fourth show. Debby enjoys working with children and does so on a regular basis. Debby would like to say: "None of us are wolves in sheep's clothing. All of us have been practicing our sheepish grins. I guess I've run RAMPant. Notice Bo Peep as she LAMBents over her lost sheep. Thank EWE'll for coming. My advice to you is "don't let anyone pull the wool over your eyes".

**LESLIE KELLEY** (*Director*) This is the 13th Sprouts show that Leslie has directed for Kudzu Playhouse and she feels "LUCKY" to have such a wonderful cast. Special thanks to Debby for her amazing props and costumes. Leslie has directed and taught in the Atlanta area for over 20 years (Alliance Theatre, Roswell Rec, CCYP and GA Ensemble). She hopes you enjoy the show as much as she did directing it!