

Kudzu Children's Playhouse

10743 Alpharetta Highway, Brannon Square, Roswell, Ga. 30076

All seats are \$8.00

Summer shows for 2008

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Beauty and the Beast
June 5-June 28, 2008

11 am on Thursday June 5, 12, 19 & 26

11 am on Friday June 6, 13, 20 & 27

11 am on Saturday June 7, 14, 21, & 28

Beauty has been forced to live with the Beast in order to save her father. We learn why the Prince was changed into a Beast in the first place and see the Beast's growth under Beauty's subtle guidance from a raging creature into a man who can be loved for himself.

The Little Mermaid
July 10-Aug. 2, 2008

11 am on Thursday July 10, 17, 24 & 31

11 am on Friday July 11, 18, 25 & August 1

11 am on Saturday July 12, 19, 26 & August 2

You will love following the Little Mermaid, a strong willed but endearing innocent, on her first journey to the Top of the Sea. There she meets the painfully shy but funny Ollie, reluctantly in training to be King and not exactly her idea of a prince. With the help of her father, King Neptune, Sea Urchin and the outspoken Granny, she battles the Sea Witch who is desperate to get her hands on her most precious possession.

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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 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.

Kudzu Playhouse, 10743 Alpharetta Highway, Roswell, GA 30076

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Kudzu Sprouts, 608 Holcomb Bridge Road, Kudzu 3rd Stage, Roswell, Ga 30076

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Kudzu Family Playhouse

presents



Directed by **Wally Hinds**

Written by **Joseph Robinette**

Adapted from the book by **E. B. White**

May 3-June 1, 2008

Saturday and Sunday at 2pm
Saturday evening, May 24 & 31 at 7:30pm

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2008

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Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse

February 2-March 2, 2008

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Adapted from the book by Kevin Henkes by Kevin Kling

Saturday February 23 & March 1at 7:30pm

Anne of Avonlea

March 22-April 20, 2008

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Adapted from the books by L. M. Montgomery

Saturday, February 23 & March 1 at 7:30pm

Charlotte's Webb

May 3-June 1, 2008

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Adapted from the book by E.B. White by Joseph Robinette

Saturday, May 24 & 31 at 7:30pm

All the enchanting characters are here: Wilbur, the irresistible young pig who desperately wants to avoid the butcher; Fern, a girl who understands what animals say to each other; Templeton, the gluttonous rat who can occasionally be talked into a good deed; the Zuckerman family; the Arables; and, most of all, the extraordinary spider, Charlotte, who proves to be "a true friend and a good writer." Determined to save Wilbur, Charlotte begins her campaign with the "miracle" of her web in which she writes, "Some pig." It's the beginning of a victorious campaign which ultimately ends with the now-safe Wilbur doing what is most important to Charlotte. This is a beautiful, knowing play about friendship.

Virtue Triumphs Over Villainy or Curses, Foiled Again

By Wally and Jeannie Hinds

June 14-July 27, 2008

Sunday at 2 pm

Friday and Saturday evening at 7:30pm

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.

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing

August 30-September 28, 2008

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Adapted from the book by Judy Blume by Bruce Mason.

Saturday evening, September 20 & 27 at 7:30pm

Peter Hatcher has some problems at home. But it isn't his mother, who's always studying art history. And it isn't his father, who watches TV just for the commercials. No, Peter's biggest problem is Fudge, his disgustingly adorable baby brother. Fudge is always in Peter's way and messing up everything he sees, whether he's scribbling all over Peter's school project, trying to fly off the jungle gym, or stealing the limelight in the Toddle Bike commercial. And when Peter's pet turtle Dribble turns up gone.... all gone... everybody's only worried about Fudge, who ate him, instead of Dribble, who got eaten! Based on the acclaimed novel by Judy Blume, Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing reminds us that sibling rivalry isn't always sweet... especially when your brother is Fudge!

Sarah, Plain and Tall

October 11-November 9, 2008

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Adapted from the book by Patricia MacLachlan by Joseph Robinette

Saturday evening, November 1 & 8 at 7:30pm

Adapted from the Newbery Award-winning book by Patricia MacLachlan, this play, set in the early 1900s, brings to life the charming, heartwarming story of a Kansas farmer, Jacob Witting, a widower with two children—Anna and Caleb, who places an ad in the newspapers seeking a wife. He receives a letter from a Sarah Wheaton of Maine who says she will visit the family for a month to see how things work out: "I will come by train. I will wear a yellow bonnet. I am Sarah, plain and tall."

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

November 29-December 24, 2008

Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

By Barbara Robinson

Saturday evenings, December 6, 13 & 20 at 7:30pm

December 24, Christmas Eve (Wednesday) 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.

2008 SEASON OF PLAYS **Kudzu Playhouse** 2008 SEASON OF PLAYS

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Friday and Saturday nights at 8pm \$18 + tax Adults \$16 + tax Senior Citizens and Students
Sunday at 2:30pm \$14 + tax Adults \$12 + tax Senior Citizens and Students

Same Time Next Year January 25-February 24, 2008 Every Fri and Sat at 8
By Bernard Slade Sunday, January 27, February 3, 10, 17 & 24 at 2:30pm

Little Shop of Horrors March 14-April 13, 2008 Every Fri and Sat at 8
Book and Lyric by Howard Ashman Sunday, March 16, 23, 30, April 6 & 20 at 2:30 pm
Music by Alan Menken

Taking a Chance on Love May 2-June 1, 2008 Every Fri /Sat at 8pm
By C. Robert Jones Sunday, May 4, 11, 18, 25 & June 1 at 2:30 pm.

A zany cast of characters, including young Ned and his older fiancée, his twice-divorced father, the matriarchal grandmother, the father's two ex-wives and a Frenchman to boot, create an absurd tangle of May-December romances. Picture the Golden Girls in Charleston and you've got the makings of a warm and funny tale of love, family loyalty and new beginnings. This delightful and sophisticated romantic comedy epitomizes the phrase "turnabout's fair play."

Enchanted April July 11-August 10, 2008 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm
By Matthew Barber Sunday, July 13, 20, 27, August 3 & 10 at 2:30 pm

When two frustrated London housewives decide to rent a villa in Italy for a holiday away from their bleak marriages, they recruit two very different English women to share the cost and the experience. There, among the wisteria blossoms and Mediterranean sunshine, all four bloom again – rediscovering themselves in ways that they – and we – could never have expected.

Rumors August 29-September 28, 2008 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm
By Neil Simon Sunday August 31, September 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 2:30 pm

Four couples are invited to the house of a deputy New York City mayor and his wife to celebrate their tenth wedding anniversary. The party never begins because the host has shot himself in the head (a flesh wound). An attempted suicide - or is it? A missing wife, missing cook, a damaged car, whip lash, a reoccurring back spasm, and rumors galore add to the comedic mayhem and the situation gets progressively more difficult to sustain when nobody can remember who has been told what about whom.

Bedside Manners October 10-November 9, 2008 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm,
By Derek Benfield Sunday, October 12, 19, 26, November 2 & 9 at 2:30 pm

When Ferris reluctantly agrees to look after his sister's seedy hotel he could not possibly foresee the wild comings-and-goings that were about to burst upon a sunny evening in Spring. Two young couples descend, unsuspectingly, upon this bleak hotel. Roger has arranged an assignation with Sally, leaving his wife, Helen at home to look after the goldfish, Sally leaving her husband, Geoff to dig in the garden. However, Helen and Geoff are not at home. They have also made plans for a naughty weekend – together! They have all seen the same advertisement and the two couples all end up at the same hotel – each with the wrong partner. This is a witty, ingenious, hilarious martial comedy.

A Christmas Carol November 28-December 24, 2008 Every Friday and Saturday at 8pm
By Wally Hinds Thursday, December 4, 11 & 18 at 8pm \$14/\$12
Saturday, December 6, 13 & 20 at 2:30pm \$14/\$12
Sunday December 7, 14 & 21 at 2:30pm \$14/\$12
Tuesday, Dec 23 at 8pm & Wednesday, Dec 24 at 2:30pm \$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 guaranteed to fill you with the Christmas spirit and warm your heart.

Information about

Kudzu 3rd Stage

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

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

Kudzu 3rd Stage

Please call Jeannie or Wally Hinds for details
770-594-1020

**SPROUTS SHOWS, CLASSES
and our BOX OFFICE will remain
At our 608 Holcomb Bridge Road location.**

Kudzu Mission

Kudzu Playhouse is a metro-Atlanta community theatre located in Roswell, Georgia. Kudzu Playhouse is a community theatre in the truest sense and its mission is to provide cultural and educational enrichment for the whole family through entertaining and educational theatrical performances and through dramatic instruction. The theatre maintains its commitment to the community to provide excellent theatrical productions and to enrich and create community involvement by providing opportunities for theatrical participation (technically and artistically) for individuals at all levels of experience and ages.

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.



E-mail: kudzuplayhouse@aol.com



2008 Kudzu "Sprouts" Shows 2008

All seats are \$6.00

2008 ~~~~~For children 3 to 9 years old~~~~~2008

The Emperor's New Clothes

February 7-March 1, 2008
Thursday-Saturday at 11 am

Aladdin

April 3-April 26, 2008
Thursday-Saturday at 11 am

The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse

October 2-October 25, 2008
Thursday-Saturday at 11 am

A country mouse, bored with rural life at home is visited by his city cousin and learns that he has been invited to the big city. Joyfully, the two depart and run a gauntlet of adventures -- among them a dangerous cat, poisons, traps, the wiles of two tricky twin mice. At last, a wiser country mouse returns home, grateful to settle down in his rural paradise.

A Chris MESS Carol

December 3-December 20, 2008
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 always have audience participation.

Reservations strongly suggested for all "Sprouts" shows

Group rates available for pre-schools and groups of 15 or more

Notice:

We are always looking for people to be involved in the Sprouts program. We need adults, homeschooled children, Moms or Dads with children in school or people who work at night to act, help with costumes, props, run tech and be stage managers. We rehearse in the daytime and all the performances are at 11am. If you have always thought you would like to be onstage or back stage, our Sprouts shows are a great way to get your feet wet and see if you like it. It's FUN! We will train you. Call Jeannie Hinds or Suzanne Clark if you are interested at

770-594-1020.

Little Theatre, The Alliance Theatre, Theatre in the Square, Georgia Ensemble Theatre, Stage Door Players and the Georgia Mountain Players. He has also written and co-written with his wife Jeannie numerous children's plays and musicals, the comedy, *Mr. Hobbs Vacation*, and his long running adaptation of *A Christmas Carol*. Wally would like to thank David for all his help and hard work. He could not do it without you! His wonderful and talented cast. Everyone who helped with the set, props and costumes, to all the wonderful volunteers who make this theatre possible, to his soul mate Jeannie who sometimes is able to keep his head screwed on straight, and finally, you, for coming to the show. He hopes you enjoy it as much as he has bringing it to you. Please come again.

MARK RUSH (*Tech*) Mark Rush is excited to be part of yet another Kudzu show. He was most recently seen on the Kudzu stage in *Anne of Avonlea* as Fred Wright. He has also performed in *A Christmas Carol*, *House at Pooh Corner*, *The Canterville Ghost*, and numerous others. He recently teched *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* at St. Thomas Aquinas Church and has teched several productions here at Kudzu. Enjoy the show!

DAVID SHELTON (*John Arable/Assistant Director/Lighting Designer*) See cast.

"Special Thanks to Thomas Richard & Becky Shropshire"

Wish list:

Paper, (white and card stock for printing) Refrigerator, **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, curtains, silk flow-

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

We wish to extend our most heartfelt thanks to the many parents, 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.

Please note that our ticket prices for the 2008 season remain the same. However, the Georgia Department of Revenue is requiring that we add sales tax for each ticket purchase. As always Kudzu Playhouse strives to produce the very best quality shows at the most affordable prices.

Kudzu Playhouse needs people to work in the concession stand and 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.

KATIE FALLON (*Duckling/Judge*) Katie Fallon has enjoyed playing the duckling in *Charlotte's Web* and has really loved this experience. This is her first play at Kudzu Playhouse, but she has been in five plays at Big Top theatre. Although she hasn't had much experience she loves acting and hopes to be in more plays. She is currently a fifth Grader at the Walker School and is excited about middle school. She like her cast and directors very much and hopes you enjoy the show!

INDIA ADAMS (*Announcer/Understudy for Old Sheep-June 1 performance*) India is a seventh grader at Northwestern Middle School. This is her first play at Kudzu Playhouse, although she has acted before in plays for drama classes at school and the community center. She has really enjoyed getting to know all the people in the cast and crew and hopes to act in more plays at Kudzu. Her other hobbies include soccer, reading and unlimited texting. She would like to thank her little sister for talking her into auditioning, her little brother for not hiding her script and her parents for spending a fortune in gas driving back and forth to Kudzu.

LYDIA ADAMS (*Reporter/Photographer/Spider*) This is Lyda's second play at Kudzu – she was a Girl Scout in the play *Ramona Quimby*. Lyda is in fourth grade at Alpharetta Elementary. She has always enjoyed performing and loves to be on stage. Her other hobbies include Girl Scouts, basketball, dancing and singing. Lyda loves being part of the Kudzu family and enjoys every minute she spends there. She would like to thank her big sister for auditioning with her, her little brother for not complaining about the rides back and forth to rehearsals and her parents for always encouraging her.

AUDREY HIRSHBURG (*Spectator/Fairgoer/Spider*) This is Audrey's sixth play at Kudzu Playhouse. She is almost done with 2nd grade at River Eves Elementary School. She enjoys reading Harry Potter books, playing golf and tennis and playing with her friends. She hopes you enjoy *Charlotte's Web*.

BRYAN KEEL (*Uncle Pig/Fairgoer/Spider*) Bryan is so excited to play opposite his talented sisters in his fourth Kudzu production. Bryan has also played Chester the mouse in *Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse* and wonders if there is a "tail" theme developing... Bryan loves to read, play basketball and swim when he's not on stage. He thanks Wally and David for giving him this chance to play at Kudzu again; his family for helping him run lines and get into his fat suit; his fellow players for being so fun; God for always loving him; and YOU for coming to the show!

ERIN BARNES (*Fairgoer/Spectator*) Erin is thrilled to be back at Kudzu Playhouse and acting in one of her favorite stories! She was cast as Want/Pickpocket in last year's *A Christmas Carol*. Erin loves to be on stage singing, dancing, and acting! She has performed in dance recitals since she was three yrs old. She recently starred as young Natalie in an Independent Film, *The Music Box*, and is scheduled to sing in the Talent Show at Cumming Elementary where she is in Kindergarten. She loves all of the friends she has made here at Kudzu Playhouse and would like to thank all of the cast members for always helping and supporting her and for being so much fun! She would especially like to thank Mr. David and Mr. Wally!

The Production Staff

WALLY HINDS (*Director/Costume Design/Props*) Wally is the co founder and Artistic Director of Kudzu Playhouse. He has been involved in theatre since the age of 12. Wally has acted in, directed and produced more than 300 productions in the Roswell area over the past 15 years. His experience in technical theatre includes; Cherokee

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Adult acting
Beginner and Scene Study

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Stage management, lighting. Sound and set design for adults and students

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For Students

Stage Makeup



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A LITTLE DRAMA NEVER HURT ANYONE!!!

OUR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE:

Children who participate in the arts learn skills they will value throughout their lives, in school, in work and in play. In addition to developing artistic skills, they learn creative thinking, communication, and they have a chance to practice cooperation, teamwork and self-motivation. This balanced approach encourages children to develop their unique talents and fosters self-confidence.

2008

Summer Camps

2008

Ages 4-6

June 2, 16, July 7

Ages 6-10

June 2, 16, July 7 and 21

Ages 10-14

June 9, 23, July 14 and 28

The cost will be \$200.00 per camper for a 1 week camp running Monday through Friday from 10am until 3pm. A final stage performance concludes each week

A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit will hold your spot

Kudzu Playhouse Contributors 2007-

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Jay Croft
Rosa De-Kelly
Sally Henry
Susan Higgins
Patricia Minor
Joseph and Sally Mrus
Olin and Erica Piffer
Daniel and Sylvia Rossman
Bob Smith

cast members for making it fun; and God for so richly blessing her..

CAITLIN TAYLOR (*Narrator #1*) Caitlin Taylor is a home-schooled teen who enjoys drawing, acting, and dance. She has a long history with Young Actors Ensemble and is currently performing in *Puss In Boots Finds A New Ending* and in *Aesop* which are being taken to several City of Atlanta schools during the first part of May. Her favorite role thus far has been the character of Puss, a clever cat who changes characters as the zany plot weaves in and out of multiple children's tales trying to find the ending of the story. At the age of eleven, she appeared in a two part educational video series, *I Want to Learn Sign Language*, produced by American Production Services. She is completing her second year as a member of *Roswell Dance Starz*, a performing company of dancers affiliated with Roswell Parks and Recreation.

KALIE FRANK (*Narrator #2*)

CLAUDIA KELLY-BAZAN (*Narrator #3*) Claudia enjoys acting, singing and dancing, and once again she is happy to be a part of the Kudzu Family Theater. In the last few years, you may have seen her perform in the *Nutcracker* at the Fox Theater and also at the Rialto. In September 2006, Claudia was the Atlanta Regional Winner of Universal Studios "Curious George" voice over. In June of the same year, she appeared in two Cartoon Network shows. In 2007, she was chosen as "The Best Youth Talent Winner" (singing category) at Perimeter Mall Talent Search. In 2006-07, she performed in *A Christmas Carol* with the talented cast of the Kudzu Theater. Claudia attends the seventh grade gifted program at her school in Dunwoody, where she is also basketball Cheerleader. Claudia thanks the entire cast for their hard work and dedication. Enjoy the show!

KELSEY MILO (*Goose/Judge*) Kelsey Milo plays is a ten years old. she was born on November 3, 1993 to loving parents Joe and Michelle Milo. she has the only girl of two children. Kelsey was born and raised in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and made her transition to Georgia three years ago. Kelsey loves animals, reading books, spending time outdoors, and of course acting. Kelsey has performed in several plays including *Horton Hears a Who*; *Get a Life Cinderella*; and *Sibling Switch*. This is Kelsey's first play here at Kudzu, which she is extremely excited to be doing. *Charlotte's Web* is one of her favorite stories.

BRIDGET PETTIT (*the Old Sheep*) Bridget is a theater loving eighth grader at River Trail Middle School (RTMS). *Charlotte's Web* is Bridget's Kudzu debut. She has previously appeared in ensemble roles with CYT Atlanta's productions of *Aladdin*, *A Little Princess* and *Narnia* and RTMS drama productions of *Charlotte's Web* and *Alice in Wonderland*. She was featured as Lena Merelli in RTMS's production of *Bugsy Malone Jr.* Bridget was a member of the Jr. Titans Cheerleading squad and will be cheering for the Northview High School basketball team next season and enjoys a casual game of softball. Bridget wants to thank Wally and David for being superb directors. Enjoy the show!

HANNAH BARTLE (*Lamb/Judge*) Hannah is eleven years old and in the 5th grade at Vanderlyn Elementary in Dunwoody. She is making her stage debut at Kudzu in this production of *Charlotte's Web*. Over the past several years she has been actively involved in several local drama and theatre camps, including The Alliance Theatre, Kudzu Playhouse and Georgia Tech. In 2007, she played "Maryanne" in an original theatre production at the Ferst Center for the Arts and has held several other roles in camp and school productions. Hannah has also authored/co-authored several small plays and skits that have been performed on stage and is planning to attend a playwriting workshop at the Center for Southern Literature this summer. She is passionate about the theatre and feels fortunate to have the opportunity to be a part of such a talented cast. She hopes you enjoy the show!

If you have been inadvertently excluded from this list, please let us know.

Thank you for your patronage at Kudzu Playhouse and we hope you will continue to be a part of

ing arts and has recently decided to take acting more seriously. He is currently on the improv troupe at his school which led him to try out for *Charlott's Web*. This is his first production at Kudzu Playhouse.

JIM PETTIT (*Homer Zuckerman*) Jim made his Kudzu debut as Alm Uncle in *Heidi* and is thrilled to be involved in *Charlotte's Web* with his wife Mary Beth and daughter Bridget. When not being an uncle and a farmer at Kudzu, Jim is the President of Talent Management Systems, Inc., a Duluth based consulting company helping businesses maximize their value through strategic talent management. Previous feature roles include Oscar Madison in *The Odd Couple*, Nicely-Nicely Johnson in *Guys & Dolls* and Dobie Gillis in *The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis*. Jim wants to thank the folks at Kudzu for allowing this show to be a family affair for the Pettit's. Enjoy the show!

NANCY BLUM (*Edith Zuckerman*) Nancy is thrilled to be back on stage after a ten year hiatus. Favorite roles include Tillie in "Man in the Moon Marigolds", Elvira in *Blithe Spirit* and Nick in *A Thousand Clowns*. Nancy also was involved in improvisational theatre for several years during the 1990's and has also done voice-over work. In her free time she enjoys hiking, camping, bike riding, and spending time with her nine year old daughter, Nina.

JASON BYRD (*Lurvy*) Jason Byrd loves the theater and has had leading roles since he was five years old. He was Ralph Herdman in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* (2006) and had 2 roles in the *A Christmas Carol* (2007) at Kudzu Playhouse in Roswell, GA. Other roles include Huck Finn in *Tom Sawyer*, the Court Jester in *Princess and the Pea* and Pongo in *101 Dalmatians* at the Broadway Theater in Vista, CA. Jason wants to thank everyone for supporting his growth as a entertainment professional. Jason is twelve years old. He is a sixth grader at Northwest Middle School in Alpharetta. He is active in Honor Chorus and the Improve Team. Someday we expect to see him on American Idol and on Broadway in New York City.

MASON LEWIS (*Wilbur*) Mason is 13 years old in the seventh grade at Hightower Trail Middle School. He has been doing acting now for five years now, and some of his previous performances include the following: "Charlie" in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, "Peter Cratchit" and "Young Ebenezer" in *A Christmas Carol*, "Judson" in *The Wizard of Wonderland*, "Piglet" in *Winnie-the-Pooh*, and "Professor Harold Hill" in *The Music Man, Jr.* He would like to dedicate his performance to his grandmother, G.G., who came all the way from Colorado for opening weekend!

MORGAN KEEL (*Templeton*) Morgan is pleased to play the "rat" in her eighth Kudzu production. She is currently trying to survive her hectic Junior year at Northview High School, find summer employment, and rehearse for the upcoming Kudzu melodrama *Virtue Triumphs Over Villainy*. She wishes to thank her directors, Wally and David, for believing in her; her family for always supporting her and chauffeuring her (which they wouldn't have to do if she had her own car...hint, hint); Kalie, for joining her at Kudzu and sharing in the fun; the rest of the cast for being so fun to work with; and God for blessing her with "all of the above." Enjoy the show!

KATIE KEEL (*Charlotte*) Katie is thrilled to play the smart and sweet spider again in her sixth Kudzu production (she has also played Charlotte at River Trail Middle School in their Spring production). She is a seventh grader at River Trail where she also participates in the Honors/Jazz Chorus. Katie likes to spend her time singing, practicing her guitar and writing songs, swimming and making sure it's not too quiet around her house. Katie wishes to thank Wally and David for giving her an opportunity to play this fantastic role at Kudzu; her family for cheering her on and for finally getting tired of the "bug" jokes; her fellow

Kudzu Playhouse Staff

Managing Director	Jeannie Hinds
Artistic Director	Wally Hinds
Artistic Director of Kudzu Sprouts	Leslie Kelley
Assistant Technical Director	David Shelton
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Web Host	Snapper Morgan
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	Mary Ritenour
	Geri Goodfellow
	Mary Maxwell
	Karen Rooker
Kudzu Hostess Team Leaders	Linda Niles
	Margarita Moldovan

Kudzu Family Playhouse

Managing Director
JEANNIE HINDS

Managing Artistic Director
WALLY HINDS

Presents

Charlotte's Web

Directed by **Wally Hinds**

Written by **Joseph Robinette**

Adapted from the book by **E. B. White**

Production Staff

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.....David Shelton
SET CONSTRUCTION Wally Hinds, David
Shelton, Corey Hinds
LIGHT AND SOUND DESIGNDavid Shelton
BOARD OPERATOR Mark Rush and Melissa Oliver
COSTUMES/PROPSWally Hinds

Cast

Fern ArableKaitlin Reynell
John Arable David Shelton
Martha Arable Mary Beth Petit
Martha Arable (June 1).....Ellen Keel
Avery Arable Colton Medlin
Homer ZuckermanJim Pettit
Edith Zuckerman..... Nancy Blum
Lurvy..... Jason Byrd
Wilbur.....Mason Lewis
TempletonMorgan Keel
Charlotte..... Katie Keel
Narrator #1..... Caitlin Taylor
Narrator #2.....Kalie Frank
Narrator #3.....Claudia Kelly-Bazan
Goose/Judge..... Kelsey Milo
Lamb/ Judge..... Hannah Bartle
Old Sheep..... Bridget Pettit
Duckling/Judge Katie Fallon
Announcer/Old Sheep (June 1 performance) India Adams
Reporter/Photograper/Spider Lydia Adams
Spectator/Fairgoer/Spider.....Audrey Hirshburg
Uncle Pig/Spider..... Brian Keel
Fairgoer/Spectator Erin Barns

Time: The present and the past

Place: The Arables' Farm; the Zuckerman Barn; the County Fair

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 pagers during the performance.

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST AND CREW

The Cast

KAITLIN REYNELL (*Fern Arable*) Kaitlin is very excited to be performing in her first show at the Kudzu Family Playhouse. She is a sixth Grader at The Galloway School and is working hard towards her ultimate goal of performing on Broadway in Musical Theater by taking voice, dance and music lessons. In her limited spare time she enjoys horseback riding and skateboarding. Kaitlin's past performances include the role of Mr. Bean in *The Fantastic Mr. Fox*, Mrs. McPherson in *Ann of Green Gables* and a disciple in *Godspell*. As a member of the Atlanta Workshop Players, Kaitlin has appeared in two Kid's Cabaret shows at the Punchline Comedy Club. Her most challenging moment on stage was having to keep a straight face and keep singing while being wrapped up in Christmas tree lights, decorated with bows and plugged in! She would like to thank her parents for their support of her ambitions and especially her Mom for all the driving.

DAVID SHELTON (*John Arable/Assistant Director/Lighting Designer*) David grew up with Community Theater, his parents wanting him to have an appreciation of the arts. By the time he graduated High School, he was in love with theater. He has worked in almost all the different tech positions available while in college and volunteering at local community theaters in Michigan: included building, painting, and designing sets; being in charge of and designing the props; working with and designing the lighting for shows; and just plain having fun helping out where ever he was needed (including a couple of bit acting roles). Well, those "bit roles", and the friends he has made at Kudzu has resulted in his "South of the Michigan Boarder" Acting Debut. So, please enjoy, and thank you for coming.

MARY BETH PETTIT (*Martha Arable*) Mary Beth is delighted to be performing in her first Kudzu production. Mary Beth brings lots of practice for her role as a mother by being the mom to the two jewels of her life, Bridget and Jamie. Mary Beth also "performs" daily as a seventh grade teacher at River Trail Middle School. Mary Beth's previous stage acting experience was in high school where she was featured as the lead in *Catus Flowers*. Mary Beth would like to give her talented daughters and awesome husband a "squinch, squinch" for encouraging her to try-out and for helping her with her character development.

ELLEN KEEL (*Martha*) June 1 performance. Ellen is thrilled to stand in for her talented friend, Mary Beth, when she can't be there to bring Mrs. A to life. What fun to play opposite her wonderfully talented children! This is Ellen's fourth Kudzu production as a player, though with all the shows her children have been blessed to perform in, she feels as if this is her "second home." She sends her thanks to her husband for supporting his family's love of theater by putting up with their frequent absences from the home and even joining them on stage now and again (we told you you'd love it!), and special thanks to Wally and Jeannie for giving us all such a special place to call home.

COLTON MEDLIN (*Avery Arable*) Colton Medlin is 14 years old. He is in the eighth grade at Northwestern Middle School. Colton has always loved acting and the perform-