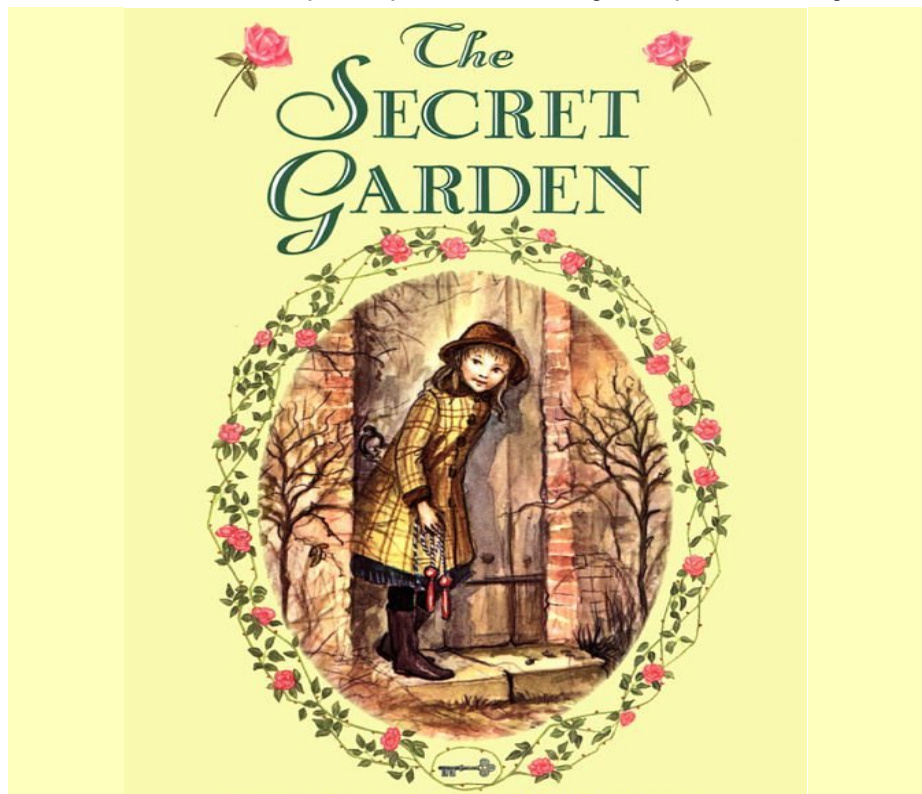


Kudzu Family Playhouse

presents

The timeless tale of a special place where magic, hope and love grow.



Directed by

Candy Cain Spahr

Based on the book by

Frances Hodgson Burnett

February 28-March 29, 2009

Saturday and Sunday at 2:00pm

Saturday evenings, March 21 & 28 at 7:00pm



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2009 Kudzu "Sprouts" Shows 2009

All seats are \$6.50

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

## **Puss and Boots Finds a New End**

*February 19, 20 and 21, 2009*

*Thursday-Saturday at 11 am*

When a young girl realizes that the end of her story book is missing – she finds herself in an amazing journey through several famous fairy tales. Even more she learns that reading is a wonderful activity, especially when shared with others. The interactive component of this play takes children onstage and actively involves them in the story-making experience. Presented by the Young Actors Ensemble.

## **Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs**

*April 2-25, 2009*

*Thursday-Saturday at 11 am*

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs with only three characters? Impossible? Not with this enchanting play. The three characters in the play include Snow White, the wicked Queen and a "stage manager" who at various times becomes the huntsman, the handsome prince and the director for the creative dramatic which are so much a part of the production. The children in the audience take all the additional roles. They become a forest, the dwarfs, and even participate as part of the stage crew in putting together the sets. This is the ultimate in children's theatre because every youthful member of the audience actually becomes part of the play.

## **The Littlest Elf**

*December 2-December 19, 2009*

*Wednesday-Saturday at 11 am*

Santa's workshop has never been in the turmoil it is in this Christmas. The elves are all way behind on their orders for toys, all due to the newest elf, Sparky. It seems that everything she touches turns to disaster. Isn't there any job that Sparky can do to make a contribution. She wants to help so much. In a surprise ending, Sparky saves the day for Santa and becomes an Elf hero.

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

**Reservations strongly suggested for all "Sprouts" shows**

Kudzu Playhouse is looking for an ensemble of actors who can perform during the day for school shows and daytime matinees for the 2009 season.

Call 770-594-1020 or email us at

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**10743 Alpharetta Highway, Brannon Square, Roswell, Georgia 30076**

**Sabrina Fair**

By Bernard Slade

**February 13-March 15, 2009**

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm

This modern version of the Cinderella fable is set on Long Island in the 1950s, and deals with the involvement of a very rich family named Larrabee with Sabrina Fairchild, the daughter of their family chauffeur.

**Man of LaMancha**

Written by Dale Wasserman/Music by Mitch Leigh/Lyrics by Joe Darion

April 3-May 3, 2009

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm

The epic story of knight-errant Don Quixote, his servant Sancho, and the woman of his dreams, the lovely Aldonza/Dulcinea. The tale—set during the Spanish Inquisition—tells the romantic and noble journey of a knight who sets out to right all wrongs and win the heart of a good woman as he duels windmills along the way. Based on *The Adventures of Don Quixote* by Miguel de Cervantes', *Man of La Mancha* is the classic comic tragedy of man's struggle against all odds to dream impossible dreams.

**Caught on the Hop**

By Derek Benfield

May 22-June 21, 2009

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm

When impressionable Phil announces to his good friend George that he has fallen for a girl on the top of a 49 bus, George is not surprised, such affairs have happened and blown over many times before. But he is surprised when he learns that Phil intends to divorce his wife Maggie and go to live with his new girlfriend in the house next door! However, friends being friends, the obliging George is persuaded to lend a helping hand, thus setting in motion the most frenetic confusion of mistaken identities, plotting and counterplotting that ever erupted on a quiet summer's day in the suburbs.

**Mr. Hobbs Vacation**

By Wally and Jeannie Hinds

**July 10-August 9, 2009**

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm

Ellie Hobbs plans a summer vacation in Florida over the objections of her husband, Howard, who thinks it will cost too much money. She invites their married daughter to join them along with their 12 and 17 year old daughters. Things began to fall apart the minute they arrive. To complicate matters, they end up with some wacky next-door neighbors and a surprise visit from her sister and her family. Just when poor Howard thinks things couldn't get worse, chaos breaks loose from every direction.

**Don't Mention My Name**

By Fred Carmichael

**August 21-September 20, 2009**

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm

An award-winning playwright asks what you would do if you suffered temporary amnesia and stumbled into a bed and breakfast off season only to find you were expected for the week end. The plot becomes more and more hilarious until all questions are answered, including who the hero is and what the crime is with a surprising twist ending. This combination of intriguing laughter, romance and mystery provides a delightful evening.

**I'll Be Back Before Midnight**

By Peter Colley

**October 9-November 8, 2009**

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm

Jan, who's recovering from a nervous disorder, and her husband rent a remote cabin from an odd farmer who tells gruesome ghost tales. When the husband's sister arrives, frightening events transpire. What happens to the fragile wife as bodies appear and disappear gives this classic thriller its horrifying impact. A first rate thriller and a wonderfully spooky ghost story.

**A Christmas Carol**

By Wally Hinds

**November 27-December 24, 2009**

Thursday, December 4, 11 & 18 at 8pm

Saturday, December 6, 13 & 20 at 2:30pm

Sunday December 7, 14 & 21 at 2:30pm

Tuesday, Dec 23 at 8pm & Wednesday, Dec 24 at 2:30pm

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.

2009

## Kudzu Family Playhouse

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### *The Adventures of Nate the Great*

Based on the book by Marjorie Weinman Sharnat and Adapted by Pamela Sterling

January 10-February 8, 2009 Saturday and Sunday at 2pm Saturday January 31 & February 7 at 7:00pm

### *The Secret Garden*

Based on the book by Frances Hodgson Burnett

February 28-March 29, 2009 Saturday and Sunday at 2pm Saturday, March 21 & 28 at 7:00pm

This joyous story about the blossoming of the earth and the human spirit is a garden of delight for the imagination. An orphaned 11-year-old girl finds wonder, friendship and redemption in an abandoned secret garden on her reclusive uncle's Yorkshire estate.

### *Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business*

Based on the book by Barbara Park/Adaptation, Music and Lyrics by Joan Cushing

April 18-May 17, 2009 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm Saturday, May 9 & 16 at 7:00pm

*Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business* follows a strong-willed six-year-old girl through her feelings of frustration at having a baby brother on the way. When Junie B. hears her Grandma refer to her newly-arrived brother as the "cutest little monkey" ever, she can't wait to tell her friends that she will have the best show-and-tell in class - a real live monkey!

### *The Princess and the Pea*

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen tale by Wally Hinds

June 4-27, 2009 Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 11am

A long time ago, there lived a prince who was looking for someone very special to marry. Although the handsome prince meets ladies blessed with beauty, wealth, and brains, he knows in his heart that none is the true princess he longs for. Then he meets a young woman he likes very much. Could she be his queen? One tiny pea buried underneath twenty soft mattresses might reveal the truth...

### *Cinderella*

Based on the Screenplay by Ken Anderson and Homer Brightman, Music and Lyrics by Mack David, Al Hoffman and Jerry Livingston

July 9-August 1, 2009 Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 11am

When Cinderella's cruel stepmother prevents her from attending the Royal Ball, she gets some unexpected help from her Fairy Godmother.

### *The Ransom of Red Chief*

Adapted from the book by O'Henry

August 22-September 20, 2009 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm Saturday, September 12 & 19 at 7:00pm

This is a hilarious tale of the kidnapped boy, Red, known as Red Chief, who is such a holy terror that the question soon becomes: Will Red's uncle pay to get him back or will the kidnappers have to pay to get rid of him.

### *A Year With Frog and Toad*

Based on the book by Arnold Lobel/Lyrics by Willie Reale/Music by Robert Reale

October 10-November 8, 2009 Saturday and Sunday at 2pm Saturday, October 31 and November 7 at 7:00pm

*A Year With Frog And Toad* remains true to the spirit of the original stories as it follows two great friends, the cheerful and popular Frog and the rather grumpy Toad through four fun-filled seasons. Waking from hibernation in the spring, they proceed to plant gardens, swim, rake leaves and go sledding, learning life lessons along the way, including a most important one about friendship and rejoicing in the attributes that make each of us different and special.

### *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*

By Barbara Robinson

November 28-December 24, 2009 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm Saturday, December 5, 12 & 19 at 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 22 and Wednesday, December 23 at 7:00pm

Thursday, December 24, (Christmas Eve) 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.

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Wish list: Picnic Tables,

Paper (regular white and card stock for printing), **Volunteers**, vintage clothing, unique costume items, **volunteers**, small tables, chairs, wooden chairs, **volunteers**, stools, pictures, mirrors, children's dress up hat and Halloween costumes (especially fairy tale costumes for our classes and camps) table cloths, curtains, silk flowers & greenery (especially trees), odd or unusual furniture pieces, Corporate Sponsors, Grant Writers and oh yeah: volunteers!



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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.



Director's Notes:

- I've long been familiar with the story of The Secret Garden having seen multiple film versions, a non-musical adaptation and the musical when it opened on Broadway.

But it wasn't until I agreed to direct this show that I read the book. Now I understand why it's a classic. What a charmer the book is and its message is timeless. The author speaks of hope, faith and the power of love, all elements of 'white magic', magic so strong it can defeat the dark magic of frustration, despair and even grief. Gardens are the tangible symbol of this magic in action. Even as flowers push their way through the dark soil and need only a little attention to come 'wick', so a little cultivating in the gardens of our lives can produce beautiful results. I hope all of you enjoy this show as much as all of us have enjoyed bringing it to you. May each of you find a bit of earth to watch things grow!

Enjoy!

Candy

Kudzu Family Playhouse

Managing Director
JEANNIE HINDS

Managing Artistic Director
WALLY HINDS

Presents

The Secret Garden

Directed by **Candy Cain Spahr**

Based on *The Secret Garden* by **Frances Hodgson Burnett**

STAGE MANAGER..... Amie Kroessig
SET DESIGN..... Wally Hinds
LIGHT DESIGN David Shelton
COSTUMES Wally Hinds, Jane Kroessig and Jeannie Hinds
PROPS Judy Wittenberg, Jane Kroessig
LIGHT TECH..... Mike Bascle
SOUND TECH Fernae Ellard
SET CONSTRUCTION Wally Hinds, David Shelton and Reed Higgins
BACK STAGE CREW Jamie Greene, Mark Jensen, and John Spahr

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.

Cast in Alphabetical Order

Abby Avery..... Mrs. Medlock
Brian Bascle..... Archibald Craven/Sergeant Cobbs
Teresa Bascle..... Contrary Girl
Fraser Ellard Contrary Boy/Gnome
Rhoxie Ellard..... Martha
Weaver Ellard Dickon Sowerby
Rachel Engle..... Mary Lennox
Jackie Estafen..... Lillie Craven
Emma Greene..... Rose Lennox
Jamie Greene..... Lieutenant Morris
Audrey Hirshberg Contrary Girl/Fairy
Claire Jenson Contrary Girl/Sowerby Girl
Mark Jenson..... John Lennox
Jeannie Hinds Mrs. Sowerby
Marie Sacca Ayah/Alice
Brian Wittenberg Collin Craven
Nicholas Zunnaga..... Contrary Boy

The Secret Garden is an original adaptation
by **Family Playhouse**

Original music

by **Dean Anderson and Norman Thomas Miller**

TIME: Early 1900s

PROLOGUE

Part 1—Colonial Indis

Part 2—A Train Platform in Yorkshire

Part 3—Misselthwaithe Manor, North Yorkshire, England

The remainder of our story: Misselthwaithe Manor and Grounds

There will be one fifteen minute intermission

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST AND CREW

IN ALPHETICAL ORDER

ABBY AVERY (*Mrs. Medlock*) Abby is thrilled to be back at Kudzu Playhouse. Most recently she was in *Ten Little Indians* but other credits include: *Our Town*, *Oklahoma*, *Oliver*, *Up the Down Staircase*, *Hansel & Gretel*, *The Miser*, *Summer Brave* and *The Crucible*. “Thank you Candy for the opportunity to be as mean as I wanna be and to Kudzu for being a great place to be surrounded by fine people”. Cast and crew, “I’m afraid there has been too much excitement...” and I love it! You are all a joy to work with. Mom and Dad- love you. Wes- I give you three Hershey kisses.

BRIAN BASCLE (*Archibald Craven/Sergeant Cobb*) Brian is making his third appearance at Kudzu, after playing Mr. Tumnus and Aslan in *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* (2003) and Jinx in *Forever Plaid* (2004). Mysterious sightings of Brian on other local stages include roles in *Breaking the Code*, *E.R.*, and *Accomplice* at On-stage Atlanta; *Legal Education* and *Fireworks* at the 14th Street Playhouse; and *My Fair Lady*, *J.B.*, and *Della’s Diner: Blue Plate Special* at Gainesville Theatre Alliance. By day, Brian is sole proprietor of Basclecreative, a creative services company offering creative concepts, graphic design, illustration and other cool stuff. When he isn’t drawing a picture or designing a logo, he’s an on-camera and voiceover actor for radio and TV. His voice and/or ugly mug have appeared in commercials and industrial projects for CNN, HGTV, Georgia Power, The Georgia Lottery, SouthernLinc, and others. Unless he ends up on the cutting-room floor, Brian will also briefly appear as a New York cabbie in the feature film *Preacher’s Kid* (2009). Brian is thrilled to be back at Kudzu and triply-thrilled to be in a play with his kids, Mike and Teresa! I love you guys!

TERESA BASCLE (*Contrary Girl*) Teresa is seven years old and is a second grader at Hembree Springs Elementary School. She is excited to be in *The Secret Garden*, which is her first real play after appearing as an angel in a nativity scene at church. In her spare time she enjoys playing video games, going for walks, making crafts, and reading. She has had cats all her life and enjoys watching and playing with all kinds of animals. She hopes you have a good time and that you enjoy the show!

FRASER ELLARD (*Contrary Boy/Gnome*) Eleven-year-old Fraser is a fifth grader with eleven siblings. This is his third play at Kudzu. He is an award winning artist who enjoys the trampoline, swimming, triathlons, baseball, basketball, the Wii, and hanging out with his brothers. He would especially like to thank his family, Miss Candy, and the Kudzu Playhouse family for including him! He is counting on you having as much fun as he does in *The Secret Garden*!

RHOXIE ELLARD (*Martha*) Rhoxie is a home schooled tenth grader who enjoys hanging out with friends and family. This is her third Kudzu production and she has enjoyed every minute of it. Her favorite activities include: Wii, running, swimming, basketball, and cooking. She would like to thank her friends and family and everyone at Kudzu for their support and encouragement. She hopes you come away from *The Secret Garden* with a smile!

WEAVER ELLARD (*Dickon*) Weaver is a fourteen-year-old eighth grader who enjoys swimming, running, art, triathlons, horsing around with his little brothers, basketball, baseball, the trampoline, video games and cooking,. He has thoroughly enjoyed his involvement in three Kudzu productions. Most of all, he would like to thank his family, Miss Candy and everybody at Kudzu Playhouse for letting him be a part of this awesome organization. He also hopes that you enjoy the play as much as he does.

RACHEL ENGLE (*Mary Lennox*) Rachel is very excited to be part of *The Secret Garden*. This is her fourth play at Kudzu. She has also been in *Cinderella*, *Prince and the Pauper*, and most recently, *Anne of Avonlea*. In addition to acting, Rachel loves riding horses and hanging out with friends. She would like to thank Candy for directing the play, all the wonderful techies, her parents for their support, and the cast, whom she thinks is "crazy amazing!"

JACKIE ESTAFEN (*Lillie Craven*) Jackie is thrilled to be back at Kudzu and performing with her son, Nicholas. She was Lady Caroline in Kudzu's summer production of *Enchanted April*. She has studied acting at the Professional Actor's Studio and at the Alliance. Some of her favorite roles include: Baroness Elsa in *Sound of Music*, Heddy LaRue in *How to Succeed In Business* and Joanna in *Godspell*. She would like to thank her husband, Gorka for making dinner all those nights during rehearsals and for his constant love and support!

EMMA GREENE (*Rose Lennox*) Emma is going into her fourth year at Kenesaw State University and she is pursuing a degree in psychology. At present, she plans to go on to medical school and concentrate in emergency medicine. Her heart, however, lies (and always will) in the theatre! Favorite roles include Ronnette in *The Little Shop of Horrors* and Kate in *The Cripple of Inishmaan*. She is thrilled to be a part of this fantastic cast and is very grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this ^{3secret} garden. She would like to thank her mum, dad and brothers for their support and hopes everyone enjoys the show!

JAMIE GREENE (*Lieutenant Morris*) This is Jamie's first show at Kudzu and he is very excited about being a part of this amazing cast. He would like to thank his family for all their support – especially his sister, Emma, for volunteering him for the role. Enjoy the show.

AUDREY HIRSHBERG (*Contrary Girl/Fairy*) Audrey goes to River Eves Elementary and is in third grade in Ms. Hungerford's class. She enjoys acting, reading, playing tennis and hanging with friends. She has been in many plays at Kudzu including *A Chris Mess Carol* (twice), *The Littlest Elf*, *I Think I Can*, *Lily's Purple Plastic Purse*, and *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*. She says "hi" and enjoy the show.

CLAIRE JENSEN (*Contrary Girl*) Claire Jensen is a fourth grade girl. When she isn't reading she enjoys helping out at the humane society. She really likes the cats

and the kittens! This is her first play ever and she is really excited about it.

MARK JENSON (*Col. John Lennox*) Mark makes his mid-life theatre debut in Kudzu's *The Secret Garden*. He has been astounded by how this production parallels the story, blooming from nothing into something beautiful in a very short time. It has been his privilege and delight to work with Candy and the talented young (or at least well-preserved) cast, including his beautiful and charming daughter, Claire.

JEANNIE HINDS (*Mrs. Sowerby*) Jeannie welcomes the opportunity to play the role of Mrs. Sowerby with all these wonderful children. She has enjoyed working with Candy and the whole talented cast in her favorite childhood story. Jeannie has directed *The Secret Garden* twice and played Mrs. Medlock ten years ago with her youngest son as Collin and her husband as Ben Weatherstaff. She is very excited about this new adaptation of this magical story. Thanks, Candy. As Mrs. Sowerby wisely said, "There's nothing' in all God's universe so strong as love."

MARIE SACCA (*Ayah/Alice*) Marie Sacca is in 9th grade. She loves gymnastics, dancing, singing, acting and reading any of the Twilight books. You may have previously seen her in the Kudzu Playhouse productions of *Heidi* and *Nate the Great*. She was also in the CHAP production of *A Christmas Carol*. She wants to thank her mom for her costume and for struggling with her while they were finding the right way to wrap a sari. She also wants to thank her director for letting her be in this great show!

BRIAN WITTENBERG (*Colin Craven*) Brian Wittenberg is so excited to be in his first show at Kudzu Playhouse. Brian is twelve years old and is a sixth grader at Taylor Road Middle School in Alpharetta. He has been in *The Jungle Book* and *A Little Princess* with CTY, *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* at Taylor Road Middle School and *AIDA* with Chattahoochee Community Players. Brian has a passion for Musical Theater with a dream of being a Broadway singer in the future. He is a member of the Taylor Road Middle School Chorus and Tiger Men. He is also on the WTRMS Daily Television Broadcast Team. While singing, acting and dancing are his main focus, Brian also enjoys school, reading and working on the computer.

NICHOLAS ZURINAGA (*Contrary Boy/Sowerby Child*) This is Nicholas' first performance on stage. He is a third grader at Queen of Angels and when he's not performing he's playing baseball or chess or building villages of popsicle sticks in the basement. He thoroughly enjoyed his acting debut and hopes to perform more in the future.

PRODUCTION BIOGRAPHIES

CANDY CAIN SPAHR (*Director*) Candy has been directing theatre for over three decades and still loves doing it. She would like to thank Jeannie and Wally for giving her the green light to go ahead with this adaptation and especially for giving her such a wonderful theatre home. She would also like to thank the cast and staff of *The Secret Garden* for making this entire experience such a delight. You are all beautiful flowers blooming on a bit of stage!

AMIE KROESSIG (*Stage Manager*) Amie is a college student and enjoys working at Kudzu in her free time. She thanks David, Wally, and Jeannie for the support they have given her and Candy for trusting her to stage manage the show. She has previous

experience with Offshoot Productions, Kudzu Playhouse, Essential Theatre, and Process Theatre Company working in Tech, wardrobe, and stage managing.

FERNAE ELLARD (*Light Tech/Rehearsal Understudy*) Fernae is a seventeen year old high school junior. This is her third Kudzu play, and her first time being tech. She had tons of fun helping her brother and sister with their Yorkshire accents, and getting to rehearse as almost every character. When she is not rehearsing, Fernae enjoys reading, art, swimming, and playing with her little brothers. She would like to thank her parents and everyone at Kudzu Playhouse for being the amazing people that they are, and helping her become who she is today. She hopes you all enjoy the show!

MIKE BASCLE (*Sound Tech*) Mike is thirteen and lives in Roswell with his parents and sister. He greatly enjoys acting and has performed in several plays, including Kudzu's *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. He is very musical and plays bass, drums, guitar, piano, and sings. He is a seventh grader at High Meadows School and this is his first time doing sound tech.

DAVID SHELTON (*Lighting Design, Set Construction*) David wishes to thank his parents for introducing him to theatre at a young age and supporting his artistic side throughout his life. He would also like to thank Wally and Jeannie for the past eighteen months he has been at Kudzu. It has become a second home and was well worth that first phone call about volunteering here. Hope you enjoy the show as much as I have.

Kudzu Wants YOU!!!

COSTUMES.....PROPS.....STAGE MANAGING....TECNICAL.....SET BUILDING
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ACTING....FUNDRAISING....PAINTING....CONCESSIONS...TAKING TICKETS
CLEANING OUT THE BACKSTAGE.....PACKING BOXES.....ETC.....ETC

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.

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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.

Kudzu Kidz

Home School acting class
March 3-April 21, 2009

Tuesday from 1-2pm
Ages 6-10 for 8 weeks
\$140.00
Instructor: Leslie Kelley

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Summer Drama Camps

For information or to register for these classes, call **770-594-1020**.

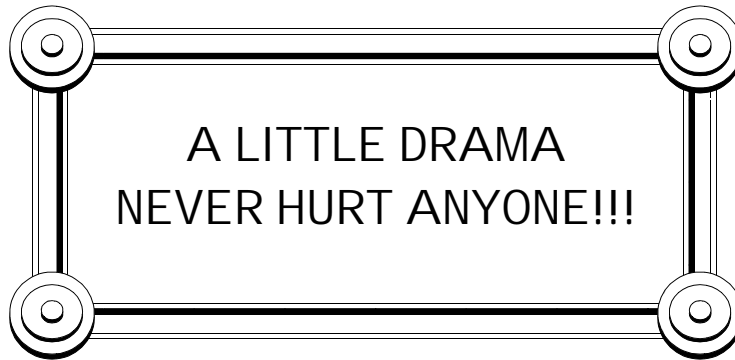
Ages 6-10 June 1, June 15, July 6, and 20

Ages 10-14 June 8, June 22, July 13 and July 27

Through creative dramatics, theatre games, character development, improvisational scenes and simple scripts written by the students or developed from popular tales, the students will learn about playing different characters and memorization. A final stage performance for family and friends concludes this fun creative camp.

The cost is \$200.00 per camper for 1 week, Monday –Friday, 10 am-3 pm
The class will be limited to 20 students
To hold a space a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit (Toward camp fee) is required.

770-594-1020



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.

Kudzu's Rules of Theatricality"

Different situations require different behavior. Behavior at school is different from behavior at home. Behavior at sports practice is different from behavior at the Library. It is important to know that there is also a particular behavior for theatre patrons. Take a few minutes to review the following rules and take the quiz.

Never be late.

Never talk out loud during the show.

Don't run around in the theatre.

Don't throw things on the floor. Take your trash out with you.

Learn to pretend.

Never go on stage or touch the set or props.

Don't make noise that will distract others.

Remain in your seat until it is intermission or the show is over.

At the end,

CLAP, CHEER and SHOUT BRAVO!!

Take the QUIZ

When going to a show, you should arrive:

- A. When the show is supposed to start
- B. 15-30 minutes before the show is supposed to start
- C. 2 hours before the show is supposed to start.

If you have a cell phone or video game that makes noise you should:

- A. Turn it off so that it does not beep during the show.
- B. Leave it on in case someone calls you.
- C. Put it under the chair in front of you and blame them

When the lights go out you should:

- A. Hoot and scream and make as much noise as you can;
- B. Go to sleep
- C. Listen and wait quietly for the show to begin

After the show you should:

- A. Run up on the stage
- B. Chase your friends around the theatre
- C. Exit the theatre. You may greet the actors at the front of the theatre if you wish.

The best place to put your feet during the show is:

- A. On the floor or hanging straight down from your seat.
- B. On the seat in front of you and be sure to kick the seat too.
- C. On the person next to you.

If you eat popcorn or candy you should:

- A. Make as much noise with the candy wrapper and popcorn box and chew loudly.
- B. Throw your popcorn boxes and wrappers on the floor. Someone else will clean up.
- C. Be as quiet as possible with the candy wrappers and take your trash out with you.

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