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Directed by *Wally Hinds* * Musical Director: *Don Papenbrock*

April 23 - May 23, 2010
 Fridays & Saturdays at 8 pm
 Sunday Matinees at 3 pm
 Tickets: 770-594-1020
www.kudzuplayhouse.org



Written and Originally Directed and Choreographed by

Stuart Ross

Musical Continuity Supervision and Arrangements by

James Raitt



Special performance at Kudzu Playhouse

A Rail Tale

World Premier of a new play by Candy Cain Spahr

Come aboard the Caesar and take a ride back in time to golden age of railroads and a pivotal time in our country's history. But beware! Not everyone on board this train is who they seem. Secrets abound!

April 30-May 23, 2010

Friday and Saturday at 8pm (\$15.00)

Sunday at 5pm (\$13.00)

As a new century dawns, eight people, each with their own dreams and uncertainties for the future, board a luxury steam locomotive bound from New York to Chicago. Mankind's old foes—greed, deceit and suspicion—accompany the travelers. A mystery looms large. Soon all aboard the train are pulled into a web of intrigue. *A Rail Tale* is set during the golden age of railroads, as this growing industrial nation welcomes the 20th century. A two-act period piece, it weaves humor with the social history of the times.

INVITATION:

Join us opening night for a gala event to launch this new show. Wine and d'oeuvres will be served following the April 30th performance with a chance to meet and greet the cast. As this is a first cast luxury train, may we suggest you dress for the occasion?

2010 Kudzu "Sprouts" shows 2010

All seats are \$6.50
For children 3 to 10 years old

Bugz

April 1-April 17, 2010

There's going to be a picnic and everyone is pitchin' in...the Lady Bugs are in charge of proper etiquette, the Army Ants will handle security, the Fireflies are in charge of lighting, and entertainment will be provided by the Bumble Bees. Looks like everything is set! But what's this?! The Stink Bug wants to come too! Buzz on over to the country-style hoedown and help the critters rescue the party!

Goldilocks and the Three Bears

September 9-September 25, 2010

Lost in the woods, tired and hungry, Goldilocks spies an empty cottage. There's porridge to slurp, chairs to bounce on and beds to doze in. Back from the woods, tired and hungry, three bears return to their cottage. But who's been slurping in their porridge and bouncing on the chairs? And hang on a minute, who's that dozing in the bed?

The Toymaker and His Magic Shop

December 1-December 18, 2010

When the Master Toymaker sprinkles a touch of Magic Doll Dust on the wonderful dolls he has made, they come to life in a surprising way. They realize how unusual they are when they find they can walk, talk and breathe. The Master Toymaker realizes it too, and decides he does not want to sell them. They are too wonderful to be "mussed, crushed and handled" by loving children. The dolls, however, take the opposite view. Dolls are meant to be loved, and these dolls don't want to miss anything. With the aid of an unusual customer who visits the toy shop, and additional aid from the audience, the dolls achieve their desire to be given to children at Christmas.

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 kudzuplayhouse@aol.com

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!

2010 SEASON OF PLAYS **Kudzu Playhouse** 2010 SEASON OF PLAYS

10743 Alpharetta Highway, Brannon Square, Roswell, Georgia 30076

Jake's Women

By Neil Simon Directed by Sheila Oliver

January 15-February 14, 2010

America's premier comic playwright makes another hilarious foray into the world of modern relationships. Jake, a novelist who is more successful with fiction than with life, faces a marital crisis by daydreaming about the women in his life.

Octette Bridge Club

P. J. Barry Directed by Adriana Warner

March 5-April 4, 2010

Forever Plaid

By Stuart Ross Directed by Wally Hinds and
Musical Direction by Don Papenbrock

April 23-May 23, 2010

One of the most popular and successful musicals in recent memory, this deliciously goofy revue centers on four young, eager male singers killed in a car crash in the 1950s on the way to their first big concert, and now miraculously revived for the posthumous chance to fulfill their dreams and perform the show that never was.

Chaim's Love Song

By Marvin Chernoff Directed by Lane Teilhaber

June 11-July 18, 2010

What could a young, homesick teacher from Iowa and a Jewish, retired New York mailman possibly have in common beyond sharing a park bench in the middle of Brooklyn? In this stirring dramatic comedy, Kelly Burke finds herself feeling alienated and alone after following her new husband to Brooklyn for his 9-month-long research trip. Gleaning a bit of comfort in the routine and solitude of sitting on a particular park bench, Kelly is taken aback when Chaim Shotsky sits down and introduces himself. At first, Kelly listens with guarded interest as Chaim recalls a menagerie of loved ones through whom he shares his life story with her. But something about Chaim makes Kelly want to share her life with him, too. Over four days, their ongoing conversation blooms into a love song for life - a stunning tale of friendship, hope, survival and triumph.

The Nerd

By Larry Shue Directed by Wally Hinds

August 20-September 19, 2010

This extraordinarily inventive, side-splitting comedy is one of the funniest plays ever written. The action centers on the hilarious dilemma of a young architect who is visited by a man he's never met but who saved his life in Vietnam—the visitor turning out to be an incredibly inept, hopelessly stupid "nerd" who outstays his welcome with a vengeance. "Shue delivers a neatly crafted package that uses some classic comic forms to bring the audience to its knees, laughing."

Meet My Husbands

By Fred Carmichael Directed by Greg Fitzgerald

October 8-November 7, 2010

This comic look at advertising and the media finds Elaine Scott, an advertising executive whose position is in jeopardy, in Florida to meet the Mulgrews, European clients she must sell on adopting her agency's campaign for their Swiss Mountain Sausages. Mulgrew insists that the campaign and all those connected with it must reflect wholesome family values. After Elaine hires a beach bum, Tim Billings, to pose as her spouse, her new husband arrives at the hotel. The balcony between suites becomes a comic causeway with the sausage campaign hanging in the balance. Who IS Tim Billings? Why is that newspaper woman prying about? Why has Elaine's opportunistic former husband appeared on the scene? And will the sales pitch succeed? A multiple surprise ending caps this hilarious foray into the world of advertising.

A Christmas Carol

By Wally Hinds Directed by Wally Hinds

November 26-December 24, 2010

See website for dates and times

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 his wrong doings 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.

All shows on Friday and Saturday evenings at 8pm are \$19.50 for adults
and \$17.25 for students and Senior Citizens (60 and over)

All shows on Sunday afternoon at 3pm are \$15.00 for adults and
\$13.00 for students and Senior Citizens (60 and over)

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Kudzu Family Playhouse

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

Tom Sawyer

Adapted from the book by Mark Twain

April 3-May 2, 2010 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm Saturday April 17 and 24 at 7:00pm

This is the classic story of Tom, Huck, Aunt Polly, and of course, Injun Joe. All the wonderful classic scenes that have become so familiar over the years come alive on stage; whitewashing the fence; the grave yard scene with Muff Potter and Doc Robinson; Tom, Huck, and Joe's adventures on Jackson Island; and Becky and Tom's encounter with Injun Joe in the cave.

Rumplestiltskin Summer Schedule

Adapted from the Grimms Fairy Tale by Jeannie and Wally Hinds

June 3-26, 2010 Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 11am

The miller brags about his beautiful daughter and the stories get more and more fantastic until he claims she can spin straw into gold. The King and Queen of Queenana, hear the story and send two bumbling barons into the kingdom to find the miller's daughter and bring her to the castle so she can make them rich. In the dungeon she meets a little man who says he can spin the straw into gold – but his price is very high. This light hearted adaptation has funny characters, a handsome prince, a royal wedding, and if you throw in some help from the audience and a happy ending, it adds up to big fun for the whole family.

Disney's Aladdin Summer Schedule

Music by [Alan Menken](#) /Lyrics by [Howard Ashman](#) and [Tim Rice](#)

Book Adapted and Additional Lyrics by [Jim Luigs](#) /Music Adapted and Arranged by [Bryan Louiselle](#)

July 8-July 31, 2010 Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 11am

Welcome to Agrabah, City of Enchantment, where every beggar has a story and every camel has a tail! All of your favorite characters are here in this stage adaptation of the Disney hit, including Aladdin, Jasmine, and of course, the Genie. Filled with magic, mayhem, and flying carpet rides, audiences' spirits will soar with excitement. Most of all, the tuneful, Academy award-winning score with songs including "A Whole New World" and "Friend Like Me" will certainly make this musical a favorite for many years to come!

Anne of Green Gables

Adapted by the Family Playhouse from the turn-of-the century novel by L. M. Montgomery.

August 28-September 26, 2010 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm Saturday, Sept 18 & 25 at 7:00pm

The time is 1908. The place is Avonlea, Canada. Green Gables is the home of lovable Matthew Cuthbert and his stern sister, Marilla. When Marilla decides to adopt an orphan boy to help Matthew with his farm work, the orphanage makes a mistake and sends instead a high-spirited redhead called Anne Shirley. With a knack for trouble and misadventure, her irresistible spunk steals everyone's heart. We follow Anne's strenuous but brimful school-days with Mr. Phillips, her attachment to her bosom friend, Diana Barry, her feud with Gilbert Blythe, her contest with Josie Pye, and her undying loyalty to Matthew and Marilla. Through her all too vivid imagination and romantic heart, we glimpse the inmost joys of a girl who only marks the hours that shine, as she struggles toward fair maidenhood.

How I Became a Pirate

Based on the book by Melinda Long/Book/Music and Lyrics by Janet Vogt and Mark Friedman

October 9-November 7, 2010 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm Saturday, October 9 at 7:00pm

AARRRRGH! Really, who doesn't want to be a pirate? When young Jeremy Jacobs and his exceptional digging skills are recruited by Captain Braid Beard for treasure burying purposes, Jeremy thinks the pirate life is for him. Until he realizes that the simple things in life, like a kiss and a warm tucking in at night are those that are most important. A story of adventure and finding one's own heart - a path that can't be found on any treasure map.

A Christmas Story

By Jean Shepherd

November 27-December 24, 2010 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm

Saturday evenings, December 4, 11 & 18 at 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 21/Wednesday, December 22/Thursday, December 23 at 7:00pm

Friday, December 24, Christmas Eve at 2pm

Jean Shepherd's memoir of growing up in the Midwest in the 1940's follows 9 year old Ralphie Parker in his quest to get a genuine Red Ryder BB gun under the tree for Christmas.

All seats are \$8.75

Kudzu Playhouse Contributors 2009-

ANGELS

\$2500-5000+

Jeff Boyce
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Mary Maxwell
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Bill and Nancy Shelton
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Carolyn Renee Voige
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Angela Martello
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Mr and Mrs James Turner

Thank you for your patronage at Kudzu Playhouse and we hope you will

Director's Notes:

Forever Plaid will be a wonderful walk down memory lane for the many of you who grew up in the 1960's. The malt shops, live bands at the dances, sock hops, the Ed Sullivan Show and all the wonderful music of the time. Things sure have changed and isn't it wonderful to slip back to those "happy days". I hope this show will bring back found memories of your youth. Remember when the biggest crises was who you were taking to the prom or if that certain boy noticed you at the pep rally? So sit back, and enjoy the show and "dream along with me, we're on our way to the stars".

Wally Hinds

Kudzu Playhouse Staff

Managing Director	Jeannie Hinds
Artistic Director	Wally Hinds
Artistic Director of Kudzu Sprouts	Leslie Kelley
Technical Director	David Shelton
Box Office Manager	Suzanne Clark
Web Host	Snapper Morgan
Web Master	Rial Ellsworth
Volunteer Coordinator	David Shelton
Kudzu Public Relations	Cathy Ray
Drama Teacher s	Rykie Belles, David Shelton, Mary Sittler and Cathy Ray
Outreach Drama Teacher	Leslie Kelley
Adult Acting	Adriana Warner
Summer Camp Lead Counselors	Karen Rooker and Lindsay Olson
Junior Camp Counselors	Mitchell Miller, Kimberly Maxwell
Friends of Kudzu Secretary	Marlene Kraich
Marketing Committee Chairman	Robin Goodfellow
Donations	Chip Decker
Costume Team Leaders	Sheri McGuinness, Jan Kramer Mary Ritenour, Geri Goodfellow Mary Maxwell and Karen Rooker

Kudzu Playhouse

Managing Director
JEANNIE HINDS

Managing Artistic Director
WALLY HINDS

Presents

Forever Plaid

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Musical Continuity Supervision and Arrangements by **James Raitt**

Directed by **Wally Hinds**

Musical Direction by **Don Papenbrock**

Choreography by **Becky Binion**

Stage Managed by **Kathy Manning and Anna Pages**

Production Staff

SET DESIGN..... Wally Hinds
LIGHTING DESIGN.....David Shelton
COSTUME DESIGN Wally Hinds and Jane Kroessig
PROPS DESIGN Wally Hinds
GRAPHIC ART WORK Brian Bascle
BOARD OPERATOR..... David Shelton and Wally Hinds
SET CONSTRUCTION Wally Hinds and David Shelton

Cast of Characters

FrankieMatt Thornton
Smudge..... Brian Bascle
SparkyJason Meinhardt
Jinx Andy Danh

Musicians

Piano..... Don Papenbrock
Bass..... Jeff Boyce

This show will be performed without an intermission

Cameras and Recording Devices are absolutely prohibited in the theatre. Also, as a courtesy to the actors as well as the other patrons, please make sure all cell phones and pagers are turned off and save texting for after the show.

Kudzu Playhouse would like to express their gratitude to **Jeff Boyce** for the Baby Grand Piano, **Drs. Hodges and King DDS** for Sparky's retainer.

Special thanks to **The Red Hen, Jason Meinhardt**
and **Marty Rudd** for the opening night reception.

*Food and Drinks are allowed in the theatre-
Please deposit all trash in the trash cans at the back of the theatre.*

“Forever Plaid is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI, 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019. www.MTIShows.com”

DEDICATION

FOREVER PLAID is dedicated to the “good guys”—

To the guys who carried an extra handkerchief—

To the guys who saved their allowance to give their parents an extra special night on the town for their anniversary—

To the guys who wheeled the projector carts for the Driver Education films—

To the guys who didn’t go beyond first base, and if, by some miracle, they did, they didn’t tell anyone.

We salute you!

Musical Numbers

On February Ninth—Voice over

Chant: Deus ex Plaid

What Happens—Voice over

Three Coins In The Fountain

Gotta Be This Or That

Undecided

Moments To Remember

Crazy ‘Bout Ya Baby

The Osterizer School of Harmonic Theory

No Not Much

Perfidia

Cry

Sixteen Tons/Chain Gang

The Catering Drill/She Loves You

The Golden Cardigan

Catch A Falling Star

Caribbean Plaid

Heart and Soul

Mercury

Lady of Spain

Scotland The Brave

Shangri-La/Rags To Riches

Before Love (Underscore)

Love Is A Many Splendored Thing

Cast Biographies

MATTHEW THORNTON (*Frankie*) Matt is excited to be making his debut at the Kudzu Playhouse in *Forever Plaid*. Matt's previous stage credits include *Guys and Dolls* (Rusty Charlie), *Beauty and the Beast*, *Footloose!* (Cowboy Bob), *Mr. Roberts* (The Captain), *Grease* (Sonny LaTierri), *Oklahoma!* (Curley McLain), and *Kiss Me, Kate* (Gremio/ Assistant Choreographer). He would like to thank his friends and family for their undying love and support and his sister Kaitlyn who is his inspiration.

BRIAN BASCLE (*Smudge*) Brian is enjoying his fifth appearance at Kudzu Playhouse and his second tour-of-duty as a Plaid (he played Jinx in Kudzu's 2004 production). He's also been seen here as Mr. Tumnus and Aslan in *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* (2003), Uncle Archie in *The Secret Garden* (2009), and Barnaby in December's *Babes in Toyland*. He's also appeared in *Breaking the Code*, *E.R.*, and *Accomplice* at Onstage 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. Brian is an actor and voiceover guy, seen and heard in ads for CNN, HGTV, Resurgens, Georgia Power, The Georgia Lottery, SouthernLinc, and others. By day, he is Basclecreative, a creative services company offering graphic design, creative concepts and illustration. Brian loves Kudzu and is thrilled to join these terrific actors, singers, and musicians for another trip to Plaid Land. Love and gratitude to Jane, Mike and Teresa. Enjoy the show.

JASON MEINHARDT (*Sparky*) This is Jason's second time around playing Sparky in *Forever Plaid* (Kudzu, 2004). He has been a professional actor in the Atlanta area for many years performing at the Alliance Theater, Theatre in the Square, Shakespeare Tavern, and others. Previous Kudzu credits include Don Quixote/Cervantes in *Man of La Mancha* (*Metro Atlanta Theatre Award, Best Actor in a Musical*), Orin/[et.al.](#) in *Little Shop of Horrors* (*MAT Award, Best Major Supporting Actor in a Musical*), *Blood Brothers* (Narrator), *A Funny Thing...Forum* (Pseudolus), and many others. Most recently, he portrayed the tragic historical figure, Leo Frank, in the Southeast Premiere of Jason Robert Brown's musical, *Parade*. Jason attended the prestigious American Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York. When not on stage, Jason is the Executive Chef/Owner of The Red Hen in Alpharetta. He wishes to extend a big thank you to Wally and Jeannie, Don, Kathy, Jeff, and his talented brotherhood of Plaids. Most importantly, a huge thanks to his supportive family and friends and especially his loving wife, Brandy for her love and support and his beautiful little girl, Rena for accompanying him to rehearsal. For Nanny and Brando.

ANDY DANH (*Jinx*) Andy is excited to be returning to the Kudzu Playhouse stage. Without the love and support from his wife, Heather, this opportunity would not have been possible. Originally from Cumming, GA, Andy earned a Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance with a Piano and Theatre minor from Shorter College in Rome, GA. Andy has performed professionally throughout Atlanta and beyond. In 2008, he made his Carnegie Hall debut with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. Andy can also be heard on the 2008 Telarc recording of *La Bohème*. Most recently, Andy was featured in Kudzu Playhouse's Atlanta premiere of *RENT*. Andy is currently accepting new voice students at Ken Stanton Music in Woodstock and pursuing other music directing opportunities. Andy's studies have led to specialization in working with the changing adolescent voice and musical theatre literature of all

eras. For more information on Andy's teaching, directing, and performing, please visit www.andvdanh.com.

Production Staff Biographies

WALLY HINDS (*Director*) Wally is so excited about this show. This is his second time to direct *Plaid*. The music and events of this show are from an era in which he was in a group, like the *Plaids*, and it really brings back memories of a wonderful time in his life. Wally is the Artistic Director and co-founder of Kudzu Playhouse. He is currently playing Doc Robinson and the Minister in Kudzu's *Tom Sawyer*. Wally has directed, acted in, written and produced over 300 shows in this two block area of Roswell the past twenty years. He would like to thank this talented cast for all their hard work and dedication, Don, for his wonderful musical direction, Kathy and Anna, for being the best stage managers on the planet, Jeff, for his support and beautiful base notes, David, for all his support, hard work and wonderful lighting, Becky, for all the "cool" choreography and you the audience, for coming to the show. And especially his wonderful wife Jeannie, who has the hardest job in the theatre.

DON PAPERBROCK (*Musical Director*) *Plaid* being his all-time favorite show, this production follows two extended runs at the Alhambra Dinner Theater in Jacksonville, FL — thank you, Kudzu, for bringing this show back! Credits this past year include *Bye Bye Birdie* with CCYP, *Nun-crackers* at Theater On Main in Acworth, and *Man of La Mancha* at Kudzu last season. Don also enjoys filling in on the keyboard whenever a "pinch-hitter" is needed! He serves as Music Director/Organist at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal church in Stone Mountain and by day is employed at Comcast in Information Systems.

BECKY BINION (*Choreography*) Becky has been choreographing for theatre for over twenty years now. Before becoming a choreographer she studied dance at the University of Riverside California where she also toured with the company "Ground Work." After moving to Georgia she danced with "Gotta Dance and Co." and "Colours Dance Theatre." Some of her favorite shows through the years have been; *Little Shop of Horrors*, *1940's Radio Hour*, *Chicago*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Something's Afoot*, and *Anything Goes*. In 2008 she received the MAT Award for Choreography for her work on *Chicago* at the Holly Theatre. Becky is so thankful to Wally and Jeannie for allowing her to add *Forever Plaid* to her list of favorites. She hopes this show will give you many happy "Moments to Remember!"

KATHY MANNING (*Stage Manager*) Kathy is delighted to be back at Kudzu Playhouse as a BOL (Bossy Old Lady) again. She works as stage manager (BOL is a requirement) and props designers for many Atlanta theatres such as Kudzu Playhouse, Essential Theatre, Habima Theatre, Center Theatre and Process Theatre. Thank you to this fabulous cast and crew for inviting her to play, to Wally and Jeannie for providing a place to play, and to you the audience for playing along!

ANNA PAGES (*Stage Manager*) Anna is glad to be back working on another fun show at Kudzu! Recent shows that she has been involved with include *RENT* and *I'll Be Back Before Midnight*, both of which she stage-managed. Anna would like to thank Kathy for giving her the chance to be part of this show!

DAVID SHELTON (*Lighting Design*) David is proud to be here at Kudzu Playhouse for over two years and 40+ shows. The technical challenges and hands-on work brings

fun to his day. He's also thankful to his parents for introducing him to theatre all those years ago. Enjoy the show.

JEFF BOYCE (*Bass Player*) Jeff is excited and honored to be involved in this production of "Plaid" and is again in awe of the tremendous talent surrounding him. Jeff was last seen playing bass in Kudzu's smash production of *RENT* and has participated in roles on the stage and in the pit. He last played Ernie Cusack in *Rumors* and played the bass for *Little Shop of Horrors* as well. Favorite roles in the past include Greg in *Sylvia*, Frank Sweeney in *Molly Sweeney* and Mr. Akins in *Send Me No Flowers*. Jeff sings and plays bass all over the world – including St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome, The Kennedy Center, and Carnegie Hall. Thanks to Wally and Jeannie for all they do for our community.

Please check out the beautiful art work in the lobby

Oil and Acrylic by Maureen Engle

The paintings in Kudzu lobby are by local Roswell artist Maureen Engle. She is known for her loose, impressionistic style whether painting in oil, acrylic or watercolor. Her specialties are palette knife painting and watercolor portraiture. Ms. Engle teaches at Chastain, Roswell Visual Art Center and the Alpharetta Art Center. She also conducts fun workshops and offers private lessons. If you are interested in a painting, a class or workshop, please contact her at via email engle.clan@gmail.com or her cell (770)633-7809. Ms. Engle's three oldest children have all been proud to perform in Kudzu family productions and her youngest, David, age 9, just auditioned for the first time!

A percentage of the sale goes to support Kudzu Playhouse.

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.

Kudzu Playhouse has a Murder Mystery Dinner Troop

We perform at local restaurants.

We would love to add you to our email list so we could notify you when we have scheduled a show.

We all need to support the arts, . . .

Times are tough. People are losing their jobs. Homes are being sold at lower prices. Stocks are sinking. Stores are closing. Non-profits are struggling. So why do we need to worry about the arts?

Some think, "We can live for a while without opera, symphony, theatre, and other art forms." After all, we have to buy food and pay for gas. But, think about it some more. What makes a city a desirable place for business and growth? Education, transportation and cultural arts.

Please support your local theatre companies. There are so many of them doing a wonderful job, working their hearts out for so little money. If they disappear, and some have gone out of business already, we will have suffered a loss that will take longer to rebuild than many corporate losses.

Our budget, for example, is completely dependent on ticket sales and contributions.

We appreciate you coming to Kudzu Playhouse today and we hope you will continue to support the local arts. You are greatly needed. Come again and bring a friend. We hope we are as important to you as you are to us.

Ways you can help:

- Buy Season Tickets
- Donate Money
- Come see our shows
- Bring friends to see shows

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.

Special Show coming to Kudzu in 2010

Knock 'em Dead

Brought to us by Gypsy Theatre Company

October 15-November 7, 2010

www.GypsyTheatreCompany.biz

If you like "Clue," the game, this is the perfect play for you. The play is set on a dark stormy night at a hole-in-the-wall club: Vinnie's Belly Laugh. A group of performers come together for a talent competition with deadly results as one of them turns out to be a murderer. The audience gets involved and during intermission they are encouraged to talk to the over-the-top characters including a smarmy MC, a baton-twirling cheerleader, an overbearing comedienne, a German jazz singer, a not-so-good ventriloquist, an ego-tistical hypnotist and a drag queen with a lip-synching dog, to help determine one of the six possible endings of the play.

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Kudzu Kidz

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SUMMER DRAMA CAMPS

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

Ages 6-9 June 7-11, June 21-25, July 12-16, and July 26-30

Ages 10-14 June 14-18, June 28-July 2, July 19-23 and August 2-6

No camp the week of June 29-July 3

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 the creative drama class.

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.

Classes and Camps and Theatre Tickets, make great gifts!

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We maintain 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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