

2007 Kudzu "Sprouts" shows 2007

All seats are \$6.00

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

Little Bo Peep

September 13-October 13, 2007

Thursday-Saturday at 11 am

Little Bo Peep has lost her sheep and can't tell where to find them. Come along with this darling girl as she searches through Mother Goose Land looking for her sheep. Along her journey she encounters many characters you will surely recognize.

A Chris Mess Carol

November 28-December 15, 2007

Wednesday-Saturday at 11 am

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

Shows are always around 1 hour with no intermission (EXCEPT FOR THE SUMMER SHOWS) and no blackouts and often have audience participation.
.....SUMMER SHOWS DO HAVE AN INTERMISSION.....

Reservations strongly suggested for all "Sprouts" shows

Sprout shows will remain in this location
until further notice



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Kudzu Children's Theatre

Presents

A Kudzu Sprouts Production of

Froggie Went 'A Courtin'



Written and Directed By

Wally Hinds

July 12-August 4, 2007

Thursday-Saturday at 11am

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Breaking Legs July 13-August 11 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm \$18/\$16
 By Tom Dulack Sunday, July 15, 22, 29 and August 5 at 2:30 pm \$14/\$12
 The worlds of the Mafia and the theatre clash hilariously when a professorial playwright seeks funding for his new play from the family of a former student. The "family" turn out to be minor mafia godfathers who are willing to underwrite the play provided they never have to read it. The fact that the lusty, unwed daughter of the house falls in love with the playwright only furthers his involvement the Mob.



Bermuda Avenue Triangle August 31-September 29 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm \$18/\$16
 By Renee Taylor and Joseph Bologna Sunday September 2, 9, 16 and 23 at 2:30 pm \$14/\$12
 This outrageous comedy concerns the adventures of a Jewish widow and an Irish widow whose successful daughters move them to Las Vegas, where they share a retirement village condo. On an excursion, they are saved from a mugger by a charming if not quite sober gambler who is short on cash. They allow him to curl up on the living room floor and he manages to sweet-talk his way in both ladies' beds. Each situation is rife with outrageous, excessive comedy.

Breakfast With Les and Bess October 12-November 10 Every Fri and Sat at 8 pm \$18/\$16
 By Lee Kalcheim Sunday, October 14, 21, and 28 and November 4 at 2:30 pm \$14/\$12
 Les and Bess are a married couple who co-host a radio talk show in New York City before the turmoil of the sixties stirred the country out of its complacency. Les and Bess are about to have their talk show cancelled because of lack of interest. Since their marriage is based on their show, they may have to cancel their marriage as well. Les wants to go to Houston to be a sports announcer, his dream. Bess wants to stay in New York. Will Les and Bess stay together? Will their budding radical of a son straighten up? Will their daughter actually marry the sailor she has just met? Will their long-distant phone call from Princess Grace of Monaco ever come through? Stay tuned..

A Christmas Carol November 23-December 24 Every Friday and Saturday at 8pm \$18/\$16
 By Wally Hinds Thursday, December 7, 14 & 21 at 8pm \$14/\$12
 Saturday, December 2, 9, 16 & 23 at 4pm \$14/\$12
 Sunday December 3, 10, 17 & 24 (Christmas Eve) at 5pm \$14/\$12
 Tuesday/Dec 19, Wednesday/Dec 20, Thursday/Dec 21 at 8pm \$14/\$12
 Charles Dickens shows us Ebenezer Scrooge as he falls asleep in his dingy, cold quarters on Christmas Eve. The old miser is visited by three ghosts, each revealing to Scrooge the wrong doings of his and what will happen if he continues in his evil ways. This traditional holiday classic for the whole family is filled with old English Christmas Carols guaranteed to fill you with the Christmas spirit and warm your heart.

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.

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

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2007 **Kudzu Family Playhouse** 2007

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Ramona Quimby September 1-October Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm
 Based on the books by Beverly Cleary, Dramatized by Len Jenkins Saturday evening, September 29 at 7:30pm
 Ramona Quimby, unpredictable, exasperating, boisterous and independent, is always aggravating her older sister, Bezus and constantly getting into trouble. As narrator, Bezus introduces the Quimby family in scenes that trace Ramona's tumultuous passage through third grade and through her family relationships that shape a humorous, loving family portrait. The problems facing the Quimbys, a middle-class Oregon family, are problems common to most families, and the family's togetherness is a clear statement of traditional family values. Along with the discovery that life is not always fair, eventually Ramona and Bezus come to realize that sisters may not always agree, but they can be good to have around.

Laura Ingalls Wilder, Voice of the Prairie October 13-November 18 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm
 Adapted by Kathryn Schultz Miller Saturday evening, November 10 at 7:30pm
 Here is a stirring, dramatic adaptation based on the true story of Laura Ingalls Wilder; from the little house in the big woods to her fascinating rise as a literary star. From log cabins and covered wagons to the simple joys of farm life in the Ozarks, this new play brings insight and meaning to her charming books beloved by children everywhere. *Laura Ingalls Wilder: Voice of the Prairie* is a vivid and moving tribute to a remarkable woman. Laura's commitment to family, hard work, love and duty still inspire the very best in all of us.

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever November 24-December 24 Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm
 By Barbara Robinson Saturday evenings, December 8, 15 & 22 at 7:30pm
 December 24, Christmas Eve (Monday) at 2pm
 In this hilarious Christmas tale, a couple struggling to put on a church pageant is faced with casting the Herdman kids, probably the most inventively awful kids in history. You won't believe the mayhem and the fun, when the Herdmans collide with the Christmas story head-on. An American Classic! One of the best Christmas stories ever and certainly one of the funniest! This delightful comedy is adapted from the best selling book.

Note to SEASON TICKET HOLDERS and Patrons:

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

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

Virtue Triumphs Over Villainy or Curses, Foiled Again Saturday and Sunday at 2 pm
 By Wally Hinds DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED

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

tinuous support, as well as everyone at Kudzu for making this show possible. Go Yellow Jackets!

JASON BYRD (*Parson Rook*) This is Jason's second play with the Kudzu Playhouse. Previously you may have seen him as Ralph Herdman in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. You can also see Jason perform in the Music Man with Act1 productions later this summer. Jason knows the theater and has had leading roles since he was 5 years old. Previous roles include Huck Finn in *Tom Sawyer*, the Court Jester in *The 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 professional actor and vocalist. He wants to thank his parents for driving him, his director for directing him, his costumer for costuming him, etc. Enjoy the show!

CLEE ALEXANDER (*Bumblebee*) This is Clee's fifth production at Kudzu. She had a great time performing in *A Christmas Carol*, *Stuart Little*, *I Think I Can*, and *Peter Rabbit*. She is an 8 year-old homeschooler who enjoys singing and playing with her friends. She would like to thank her mom, dad, brother, and sisters, and also Wally and all of her excellent fellow cast members for their wonderful support!

KATRINA BALGA (*White Moth*) Katrina Balga would like to thank Wally and Jeannie Hinds for the chance to play the White Moth; it has been a great experience. In the past year she has appeared in two musicals at Kingswood United Methodist Church, and she once played a princess in a Kudzu Kids camp performance. A rising second grader at Vanderlyn Elementary, Katrina is an avid reader and a green belt (4th level) in karate.

AUSTIN BYRD (*Flea*) This is Austin's second performance with the Kudzu Playhouse. Last Christmas Austin was Leroy Herdman in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. You can also see Austin in the Music Man with Act1 Productions later this summer. Austin attends Crabapple Crossing Elementary School and will be in fourth grade this next year. Austin's previous roles include one of the Lollypop Guild in *The Wizard of OZ*, Jasper (the dog napper) in *101 Dalmatians* both performances in Vista, Ca. Austin's first love is baseball, but he loves theater too. Enjoy the show!

AUDREY HIRSHBERG (*Ladybug*) Audrey is seven years old and goes to River Eves Elementary. Her favorite activities are reading, playing tennis, golfing, acting and sketching. This is her third play here at Kudzu. Audrey has been seen in *The Littlest Elf* as Sparky, the littlest Elf, and *I Think I Can* as Professor, the cat. She has one brother, one sister, and a dog named Milo. She hopes you enjoy the show!

WALLY HINDS (*Director*) Wally is the Artistic Director and Co-Founder of Kudzu Playhouse. He has been acting since the age of 11 and has produced, directed and acted in more than 200 shows over the past 15 years. This past year he played Mr. Green in *Visiting Mr. Green* and Blore in *And Then There Were None*. He also directed, *The Frog Prince*, *Tom Sawyer*, *House at Pooh Corner*, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, *A Christmas Carol* and Co-Directed *Father of the Bride*. He is currently directing *Froggie Went A'Courtin'* and will be seen as Lou in the upcoming production of *Breaking Legs*. He would like to thank the many volunteers who keep the theatre running, his wonderful and talented cast, and YOU, the audience, for coming to the show.

PARRISH TURNER (*Tech Princess*) Parrish is ecstatic to be doing tech for Froggie. She has participated in other plays in the past including being in *The Nightingale* and stage-managing Aladdin. Parrish is a huge fan of theater and has been a visitor to Kudzu for many years. She hopes you enjoy it here as much as she does. Enjoy the show.

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Fall Classes

2007

Ages 4-6 years old - Wednesday

August 15-October 17, 2007 4-5 pm \$170.00 (10 weeks)

Ages 6-10 years old -Wednesday

August 15-October 24, 2007 5-6 pm \$185.00 (11 weeks)

Ages 10-15 years old -Wednesday

August 15-November 14, 2007 6-7 pm \$215.00 (13 weeks)

No class on October 31

A LITTLE DRAMA NEVER HURT ANYONE!!!

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Kudzu Kidz

2007

Summer Drama Camps

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

Ages 4-6 May 28, June 11, June 25 and July 16

Ages 6-10 May 28, June 11, June 25, July 16, and 30

Ages 10-14 June 4, June 18, July 9 and July 23

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

In order to hold a space a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit (Toward camp fee) is required.

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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 Children's Playhouse

Managing Director
JEANNIE HINDS

Managing Artistic Director
WALLY HINDS

Kudzu Sprouts Artistic Director
LESLIE KELLEY

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Tech Princesses Parrish Turner

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

Cast

David Olson	Froggie
Paloma Pena	Miss Mousie
Erika West	Grannie Rat
Katie Keel.....	Bad Blood Bonnie
Morgan Keel	Retched Rachel
Luke Tieslau	Tom the Cat
Amanda Nummy	Tadpole
Jason Byrd	Parson Rook
Clee Alexander.....	Bumble Bee
Katrina Balga.....	White Moth
Austin Bryd.....	Flea
Audrey Hirshberg	Ladybug

PLACE: Froggie Bottom, Deep South, USA

SCENES:Opening—Froggie Bottom

Act 1: 1) Froggie Bottom, 2) Home of Tom the Cat, 3) Wooded Area in Froggie Bottom, 4) Home of Tom the Cat, 5) Froggie Bottom, 6) Froggie Bottom, 7) The Weasels Hideout, 8) Froggie Bottom, 9) Tom's House, 10) Miss Mousie's House

THERE WILL BE ONE 15 MINUTE INTERMISSION

Act 2: 1) Miss Mousie's House, 2) Weasels Hideout, 3) Froggie Bottom, 4) Miss-Mousie's House, 5) Weasels Hideout, 6) Church

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST AND CREW

DAVID OLSON (*Froggie*) David is thrilled and honored to be playing Froggie. He has been in dozens of plays at Kudzu Playhouse over the past five years, and he currently is a head counselor of the Kudzu Kidz Drama Camp. He just graduated from North Springs High School's Performing Arts Magnet program and will be attending the University of Maryland in August. Favorite past roles include "Bobby Strong" in *Urinetown* at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, "Messenger" in *Antigone* at NSHS, "Mr. Toad" in *Wind in the Willows* at Kudzu Playhouse, and "Parson Rooke" in *Froggie* with Kudzu Playhouse at the Smith Plantation. He would like to thank the cast, crew, and all his friends and family. Special thanks to Wally and Jeannie Hinds for all their love, support, and guidance over the years and for letting him play this legendary Kudzu role. He hopes you enjoy the last Kudzu Children's Playhouse show in this facility where he has made so many fond memories over the years.

PALOMA PENA (*Miss Mousie*) This is her first play at Kudzu Playhouse. She loves it here and is very excited to be apart of this production. She has done multiple musicals throughout middle and high school. One of which was *Fiddler on the Roof*, where she played Tzitle. She would like to thank the cast for welcoming her and the crew for being amazing. A special thanks to Wally for being a wonderful director and giving her this great opportunity.

ERIKA WEST (*Granny Rat*) Erika, (who is actually only twelve) has had so much fun playing the Granny in her fourth play here at Kudzu, previously being seen in *Stuart Little the Musical*, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and *Aladdin*. Erika has also been seen in musicals at her school such as *The Pirates of Penzance* and *School House Rock Live Junior*. She also recently played in *Will Roger's Follies: A Life In Revue* at Blackwell Theatre. She takes voice lessons, acting classes and dances. Erika would like to thank the cast and crew, and of course the wonderful director, Wally Hinds for all working together and making this a great show!

KATIE KEEL (*Bad Blood Bonnie*) Katie Keel is a rising seventh grader at River Trail Middle School. She is thrilled to be in her third Kudzu performance. She was recently in *Stage Door* and was Allison in *Miss Nelson Is Missing*. She thanks her family for all the support and love. She thanks her mom for running lines with her and her sister Morgan for being such a great sister weasel in the show. Katie hopes you enjoy the show.

MORGAN KEEL (*Retchel Rachel*) Morgan Keel is a rising junior at Northview High School. She recently appeared in *Stage Door* and worked tech for *Miss Nelson* here at Kudzu. She loves acting and reading and hanging with friends. She thanks her mom for all the transportation and love and hopes you enjoy the show!

LUKE TIESLAU (*Tom the Cat*) Luke was very excited to be cast in another play at Kudzu. In his free time, Luke enjoys parachuting into random forests and mud wrestling with the alligators, but only after he has finished negotiating peace with the ever violent U.N. Luke would like to thank Dr. Phil for his countless hours of therapy, and Jackie Chan for teaching him his Kong-fu attacks to use against Oprah Winfrey. When he goes up, Luke would like to be a professional sumo wrestler.

AMANDA NUMMY (*Tadpole*) Amanda is thrilled to be playing Tadpole in her first melodramatic production. Previous appearances at Kudzu Playhouse include the Genie of the Ring in "Aladdin". She would like to thank her friends and family for their con-