

OKTC STAGE DOOR NEWSLETTER December 2016

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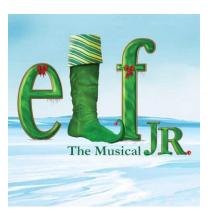
"Make it sparklejollytwinklejingley" this December at OKTC!

We are coming to you a few days early this month, as we have lots of special events going on at Original Kids in December! The holidays are always a busy time so it's best to get your plans squared off right away – we hope that OKTC will be a big part of yours! Read on for all the fun!

Big News – We're adding one more performance of *ELF*!

Did you miss out on getting tickets to our sold-out run of ELF THE MUSICAL JR.? Well, we have good news for you - we are adding one additional show, on Sunday December 4 at 7 pm. We have never done this before and we are very excited – as is the cast and crew!

Tickets are extremely limited and will be on sale to the public starting Monday November 28 at 4 pm. Call 519-679-8989 for more details! All proceeds go to our Send-A-Kid-To-Camp fund!



We are also collecting toys for the Toys for Tots campaign throughout the month of December - please help us out by donating a new, unwrapped toy when you come to see *Elf* and *Seussical* at OKTC!

Coming up in December – So much fun with Seussical, The Musical!

Our holiday spectacular, *Seussical, The Musical,* is coming up quickly! Playing December 13-23 at the Spriet Family Theatre, *Seussical* is the perfect holiday treat for the whole family. Tony winners Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty (*Lucky Stiff, Once On This Island* and *Ragtime*) have lovingly brought to life the delightfully zany character imagined by one of the most beloved storytellers of all time — Horton the Elephant, The Cat in the Hat, Gertrude McFuzz, Mayzie LaBird, and more! This is one trip to the doctor that neither kids nor parents will mind, a delightful musical that celebrates the powers of friendship, loyalty, and family, proving "a person's a person no matter how small." Everyone's heart, even the Grinch's, will grow three sizes this holiday season at *Seussical*!

Tickets for Seussical are available at the OKTC box office, by calling 519-679-8989, or by visiting www.originalkids.ca.

While you're at it, if you are looking for something to do on Saturday mornings with the kids this holiday season, come by the London Public Library, Children's Library in the Central Branch (inside CitiPlaza) to enjoy readings of the some favourite Dr. Seuss books, told by cast members of our upcoming production of *Seussical, the Musical*.

Seussical at the London Public Library

Saturday, December 3 at 2:30pm - 3:00pm Saturday, December 10 at 10:30am - 11:00am Saturday, December 17 at 2:30pm - 3:00pm



But wait, there's more! Join us on December 17, 20, and 21 before *Seussical* at 6:15PM for a presentation of the one-man, mini-musical adaptation of *Dr. Seuss's The Lorax*, performed by Artistic Director, Andrew Tribe. The sequence was cut from the original Broadway tryout of *Seussical* with music by Stephen Flaherty and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens. Admission is by donation to our *Toys for Tots* campaign.



Tech Volunteers Needed!

We are still looking for Original Kid volunteer technical assistants for *Seussical the Musical*.

Tech volunteers must be in at least grade 7 and be able to present themselves in a mature and professional manner at all times. Please email Kerry (kerry@oktc.ca) as soon as possible for more information or if you'd like to sign up!



And there's even more!

- Applications for Box Office Team Members and Stage Manager / Assistant Director (SM/AD) positions for Spring 2017 are due this week December 1 for SM/AD and December 9 for Box Office. As well, we are currently accepting applications for Artistic Staff and Senior Counsellors for Camp OK due December 15. Visit our Employment Page (http://originalkids.ca/employment-opportunities.html) for more information and to apply.
- Registrations for **Winter and March Break Kidlets** are available now! If you know a young person aged 5-8 who is interested in acting, singing and dancing, Original Kidlets might be the perfect place for them! Visit <u>http://originalkids.ca/kidlets</u> to register.
- We have ONE spot remaining on our **2017 New York City trip** for a male OKid. Email nyc@oktc.ca for more info and to sign up!
- If you loaned anything (props or costumes) to the production of *Secrets Every Smart Traveller Should Know*, please come to the office before Friday to pick up the items; after that, the items will be put into OKTC storage or donated.
- Spring 2017 casting package pickup STAY TUNED!



Fun from our November productions!

Press Start! with Stagecraft: The Video Game (photo credit: Fred Szoldatits)



Star Chores: The Phantom Maintenance (photo credit: Heidi Flynn)



She Kills Monsters: Young Adventurers' Edition (photo credit: Bryan Nelson)



Secrets Every Smart Traveller Should Know (photo credit: Bryan Nelson)

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