

## Hello From Our Education and Outreach Coordinator

Greetings! I am very excited about presenting a brand new season of Horizons performances and outreach programs. This year we welcome pigs, dragons, and pint-sized detectives (among others) to our stage!

We begin the school matinee series on October 16, 2008 with Aquila Theatre Company's Guided Tour of Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors. Other highlights this fall include: Charlotte's Web, Magic

Tree House: The Musical, Apollo: To the Moon, If You Give a Pig a Pancake, and The Nutcracker.

Our outreach in the schools this fall will involve a week-long School Sculptures artist residency at Lincoln Elementary in Janesville, WI and several Nutcracker workshops in area schools.

I am also pleased to report that our Arts4All program will allow over 500 students from schools with economic need to attend Ho-

rizons performances for free this fall. (See page 2 of this newsletter for more information about this program.)

It is shaping up to be an exciting year. Thank you for being a part of it by continuing to support our programming and advocate for arts education.

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## We're Planning the 2009-2010 - 25th Anniversary Season!

Although we haven't presented our first performance of the 2008-09 season yet, we are already planning next season's programs! Our goal is to meet your curricular needs. As such, we need your input. Our 2009-10 season survey will be distributed in October at Horizons performances and by e-mail. When you receive a survey, please take a few moments to review the list of shows that we are considering and indicate which performances best meet your needs.

It is also important for you to tell

us about any special projects, topics, or initiatives your class or school will be working on. We strive to match our performances and outreach with your school's curriculum.

The 2009-2010 season marks a milestone for Young Auditorium's Horizons program - 25 years serving educators and children in the region!

The program started as CAPS (Cultural Affairs in the Public Schools) in 1985. What began as a local program serving the White

water Unified School District, expanded over time to include schools from as far as Waukesha, Beloit, and Verona.

Today, over 20,000 students and teachers attend Horizons performances at Young Auditorium each season. In addition, our outreach programs reach more than 2,000 students every year.

In December 2008 we will reach our 500,000 student since the inception of this program! Thank you teachers for making this possible.

## Outreach Update

We are pleased to announce that all of our outreach programs and workshops are full at this time. You may contact Shannon to place your class on a waiting list for any of the following programs: Behind the Scenes of The Nutcracker; What, Where, Why, When, Whoville?; Missoula Children's Theatre; Creole for Kidz; Musical Encounters concerts.

Space for free outreach fills up quickly. Please keep in mind that it is best to reserve workshops in spring for the upcoming school year!

## Target Grants

Target corporation offers \$800 field trip grants to 5,000 teachers each year! Visit the "links" section of the Horizons website for an easy link to more information about this program. Applications must be submitted online by November 1, 2008. <https://targetfieldtripgrants.target.com/>

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## Announcing The Big Read: Mock on the Rock!

The Young Auditorium has received a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to involve residents in a community reading initiative - The Big Read: Mock on the Rock! Residents of Rock, Jefferson, and Walworth counties are encouraged to read the classic *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee during the month of April 2009. There will be a community kick-off event and multiple free activities related to the book. Some

of the activities that are planned include: a screening of the original movie starring Mary Badham as Scout; guest speakers and lecturers; a Mockingbird calling competition; distribution of free copies of the novel, readings, and discussions at area libraries; a high school Jeopardy-style competition based on the book; and two performances of the stage play by Montana Repertory Theatre. Group tickets are still available

for the Horizons performance on April 29, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. for \$7.75 per seat.

As part of the grant, Young Auditorium will receive a wealth of resources for the novel that will be available free of charge to teachers. Please contact Shannon to place your name on a list to receive resource materials and a calendar of events.

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## Get Ready for Missoula Children's Theatre!

This season's production will be *The Little Mermaid*. Auditions are open to all students in grades K-12 (ages 5-18) and will be held on the Young Auditorium stage on Monday, January 26, 2009 from 4-6pm. No acting experience is necessary! However, children must be enthusiastic and able to follow directions. The group audition will result in the selection of 50-60 cast members for the production.

It is important for all cast members to have a clear schedule for the entire week so they are available for rehearsals. Rehearsals will be held Monday from 6-8pm and Tuesday - Friday from 4-8pm, with a dress rehearsal on Saturday morning and the public performance that Saturday afternoon, January 31, 2009 at 2pm. In addition, the actors from MCT will be visiting schools to present

drama workshops for a range of age groups. Contact Shannon for more information.



## Arts4All Program

The Arts4All program is off to a great start in its second season, with nearly 100% of schools that participated the first year signing up again! Arts4All is a complimentary ticket program for schools with a economically disadvantaged student population. Schools with at least 20% of the student population qualifying for the federal free and reduced lunch program may register to participate in Arts4All. When free seats are available for Horizons performance, participants are contacted and given the option to attend free of charge. (Schools, however, do remain responsible for transportation.) Visit our website ([www.uww.edu/youngauditorium](http://www.uww.edu/youngauditorium) - Horizons - General Information) to download an application.

**SOLD OUT!**  
*Charlotte's Web* - 11/10/2008  
*Magic Tree House* - 11/25/2008  
*If You Give a Pig a Party (10am)* - 12/9/2008

SEATS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR:  
*Apollo: To the Moon* - 11/21/2008  
*If You Give a Pig a Party (12:30pm)* - 12/9/2008  
*The Nutcracker* - 12/12/2008  
CALL 262-472-4444 TO RESERVE!

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