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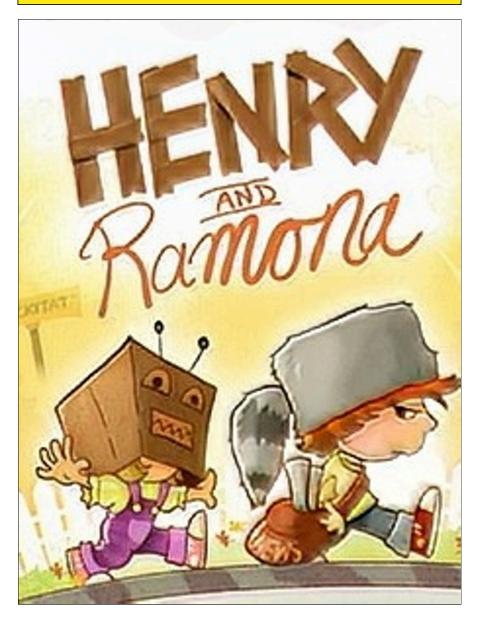


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# WELCOME FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR —

Dear Theatregoer,

Welcome to the opening of our 2024 Season and to Klickitat Street! We are so pleased you have joined us to kick off the season with *Henry and Ramona!* Presented by ArPets Hospital and Dr. Kristin Sullivan, this is one of our childhood stories that we have all grown to love. Congratulations to Sarah and the entire cast for bringing some of our favorite children's books to life in this great adventure! It captures the everyday trials and triumphs of being a kid, and I know you will all enjoy it.

Next up in the season is *Disney's Beauty and the Beast*, presented by Renew Mental Health and Wellness on June 7th-9th. The cast and crew of around 150 participants from the Northeast Arkansas community will bring the classic story of Belle, a young woman in a provinicial town, and the Beast, who is really a young prince trapped under the spell of an enchantress. All of the wonderful songs you are familiar with and love will be brought to the stage, and this "tale as old as time" promises to be a huge hit!

In September, we have *Matilda the Musical!* Matilda is a little girl with astonishing wit, intelligence, and psychokinetic powers! While Matilda makes a connection with her schoolteacher Mrs. Honey, things are not smooth sailing when she meets Miss Trunchbull, the school's mean headmistress who loves to punish children who do not abide by her rules! Packed with high-energy dance numbers and catchy songs, everyone will be thrilled and delighted by the story of the special little girl with an extraordinary imagination!

Finally, in December we are excited to bring *A Christmas Story: The Musical* to the stage. Based on the classic movie, the show follows 9-year-old Ralphie Parker and his quest for the Holy Grail of Christmas gifts-an Official Red Ryder BB gun. All of the iconic scenes are here, including Flick getting his tongue stuck on the flagpole, Randy in the snowsuit, the leg lamp award, and many others! The musical will bring an exciting new dimension to those who have seen the movie, and will certainly stand on its own for those who have not.

We cannot wait to see these stories brought to life, and have you be part of them throughout 2024. But for now, sit back and relax, and enjoy a peak into Klickitat Street!

Abby Kuonen-Broadway, Executive Director

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## **DIRECTOR'S NOTE**

Welcome to our fantastic production of Henry and Ramona, a journey into the whimsical world of childhood imagination! I am beyond thrilled to be taking on my very first directing gig with The Stage Theater Co., and let me tell you, it has been an amazing journey. Okay, so maybe I've been hanging around as the music director for a while, but stepping into the director's chair feels like a whole new world! And what better way to dive in than with a kids' play? I mean, who doesn't love a good dose of imagination and giggles? To all you wonderful folks out there, get ready to join us on a journey that's part adventure, part whimsy, and all kinds of fun! Seriously, I can't wait to see the smiles on your faces and hear your laughter fill the room.

To our phenomenal crew and production team: Your dedication and hard work behind the scenes have been remarkable. To Abby and Benjy, thank you for your mentorship and guidance. Your guidance and support has been so helpful to me in making decisions and getting the job done in all aspects of directing. I know that you two have done more than I even know behind the scenes. To Luke, my fabulous assistant director, thank you for your willingness to lend a hand in any way possible. It has been invaluable to me throughout this journey. Victoria, thank you so much for all of your help and assistance throughout the entire process. To Jackson, Kevin, and Mrs. Cindy, thank you for your hard work in constructing and painting this imaginative set that serves as the backdrop for our story. Last but certainly not least, thank you Mrs. Kim Brodell and Courtney Neece for your help sitting in at rehearsals, getting props ready, and for all that you do backstage. Thank you to Keith Westbrook and Jenna Brodell for handling sound and lighting. This production is only possible with every one of you.

To the cast, congratulations! I am so proud of each and every one of you! This show has come so far in just a few months, and I have thoroughly enjoyed watching you grow into your roles and watching the characters come to life. Thank you for the dedication and effort that you have put in each day. The infectious energy, radiant smiles, and endless enthusiasm you bring to rehearsals every day have turned this production into an absolute blast.

Finally, I must thank all of our donors and sponsors. Without you, none of this would be possible. Thank you for your continued support of the fine arts and The Stage Theater Co. The arts continue to change and enrich lives. To parents, families, and friends, thank you for being here to share in the joy and excitement of live theater. Your support means the world to not only The Stage Theater Co. but to your amazing kiddos. Your encouragement and love make all the difference.

Without further ado, settle into your seats, get cozy, and prepare to be whisked away to a world where anything is possible! We are about to embark on an adventure filled with laughter, surprises, and moments that will warm your heart.

Let's make some memories together! Warmest regards, Sarah James Director

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## **HENRY AND RAMONA**

Written by Cynthia McGean Based on the Books By Beverly Cleary

with

Ben Jones

Willow Miller Allison Moss Jackson Liles James Gramling Ben Moss Lawson Weisenbach

Lighting Jenna Brodell

> Stage Manager Victoria Mitchell

Asst. Stage Managers Kim Brodell Courtney Neece

Set Design/Art Kevin Broadway Jackson Imler Cindy Kuonen

Sound Keith Westbrook

Directed by Sarah James

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Henry and Ramona is presented and produced by special arrangement with The

Dramatic Publishing Company of Woodstock, IL.

## CAST

#### **Cast Members**

Henry Huggins	Ben Jones
Scooter McCarthy	Jackson Liles
Robert Kelly	James Gramling
Beezus Quimby	Allison Moss
Ramona Quimby	Willow Miller*
Bryon Murphy	Lawson Weisenbach
Judy Capper	Keelie McClellan
Maxine	Collins Baker
Shawna	Chloe Fox
Josie	Jayla Foreman
Mary Jane	Layla Westbrook*
Lisa Kelly	Nora Scott
Roger	Collin Rutherford*
Ribsy	Ben Moss
Ranger	Anna Beth Smith
Mr. Huggins	Michael Chaney*
Mrs. Huggins	Stacy Fox
Bessie Peabody	Rose Milligan*
Mrs. Capper	Anna Creecy*
Radio Announcer	Isla Sleppy*
Sheriff Bud	Luke Holt
Klickitat Adult Ensemble	Donna Pace, Mary Cuzzort, Michael Chaney*, Stacy Fox, Rose Milligan*, and Anna Creecy*
Ramona's Rascals	Cora Boves, Maisy Miller*, Emmalie Hall*, and Sloane Foster
Papergirls	Whitley Floyd, Culley White, Nora Gonzales*, Halle Cae Teague*, Isla Sleppy*, Sophie Westbrook*, Savannah Cuzzort, and Addelin Cuzzort
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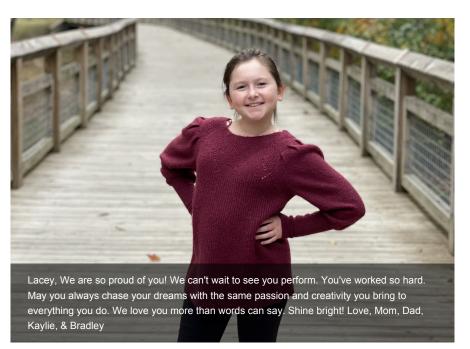
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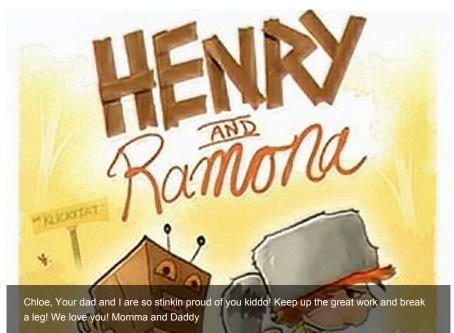
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