

July 16, 1899

# EXTRA! EXTRA! NEWSIES STOP THE WORLD!

Quote of the Day:

Being boss doesn't mean you have all the answers, just the brains to recognize the right one when you hear it.

# New York Newsies take a stand!

NEWSIES is based on the real-life Newsboys' Strike of 1899. Children who sold newspapers on the streets were called newsies. The New

York newsies went up against two newspaper publishers, Joseph Pulitzer of The World and William Randolph Hearst of The Journal, to fight for a fair price for newspapers.

The Spanish-American War made New Yorkers hungry for headlines, and circulation boomed as a result. Once the war ended, people were less inclined to buy newspapers — war was bad for the world, but great

for the newspaper business. The strike was the result of the newspaper publishers refusing to lower the price-per-paper that the newsies had to pay back down to the pre-war prices. The newsies were not willing to pay more for their papers to make up for a lack of headlines, so they decided to strike—their goal was to make the newspaper tycoons treat them as legitimate members of the business.

The strike lasted two weeks, from July 19 to August 2, 1899. During that time, the newsboys drew support from newsies all over the Northeast, as well as other young workers like messenger boys, bootblacks, and factory workers. The kids banded together to support one another, and at times things became violent — scabs were attacked on the streets,

> their papers ripped from them and destroyed to prevent their sale. Some boys lost their nerve and went back to the publishers, settling for the higher price.

The newsies eventually came to a compromise with the publishers: they would purchase their papers at the higher price, but the publishers would buy back any papers that the newsies couldn't sell—this was more valuable to the newsies than a lower price would have been, as it allowed them to buy papers

without the risk of losing money for any that went unsold. The Newsboys' Strike of 1899 is a significant moment in history; it is one of

the first strikes that was carried out by children and it ended in compromise. The kids won!



# BIG NEWS! YOU are the star of The Rose's future!

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#### A Rose membership helps provide the high quality family entertainment you love at a value everyone can afford.

When you become a Rose member, you take a starring role in helping deliver outstanding entertainment for area students, underserved families and others who might not otherwise be able to attend programming at The Rose.

As our "thank you" for being a partner in providing outstanding children's theater, Rose members receive tickets to the seven regular season shows listed below, as well as discounts to premium event shows and Rose classes.

Membership is the best way to enjoy everything The Rose has to offer.

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# 2018-19 Season Shows Benefits Begin Sept. 2018!

Family members receive four FREE tickets to each show!

# Judy Moody & Stink:

**The Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Treasure Hunt** September 7-23, 2018 Oh, the dramatic difficulties of being a

girl who wants to be going places, but is saddled with a brother who "stinks." It's no wonder Judy is moody! Based the beloved book series, this rollicking tale finds Judy and Stink on a race to win the Pirate Challenge on the mysterious Ocracoke Island.

#### The Very Hungry Caterpillar & Other Eric Carle Stories

September 28 - October 14, 2018 Featuring evocative music, innovative puppetry, and stunning black light visual effects, The Very Hungry Caterpillar follows the adventures of a very tiny and very hungry caterpillar that eats his way through an amazing variety of foods towards his eventual metamorphosis into a beautiful butterfly.

#### **Goosebumps The Musical:** The Phantom of the Auditorium

October 26 - November 11, 2018 The students of Woods Mill Middle School really love to put on a show. But what's up with that spooky script that the theater director has chosen? Join the fright-filled fun—just in time for Halloween!—as the cast of "The Phantom of the Auditorium" tries to survive until Opening Night in this terrifying tale of musical mayhem from the mind of R.L. Stine.

# **Return to Niobrara**

January 25 - February 10 2019 Return to Niobrara is inspired by the true story of Chief Standing Bear. The play follows Chief Standing Bear's greatgreat grandson, Steven, who is being bullied at school on account of his long hair. When Steven is involved in an altercation at school, he must follow in his grandfather's footsteps and speak out against his school district's attempt to force him to cut his hair, and ultimately, to erase his identity.

### The Dollmaker's Gift

February 22 - March 10, 2019 When Nora's family in Eastern Europe is forced to flee to America, they discover at the last moment that they haven't enough funds to pay for everyone's passage. Nora will have to stay behind! Nora's mother is heartbroken - yet a kind dollmaker shows that good friends are priceless and that all obstacles can be overcome when there is a true desire to help another.

# Winnie the Pooh

March 22 - April 7, 2019 Everyone's favorite bear comes to life on stage at The Rose! Winniethe-Pooh drifts peacefully through life, humming tunes and stopping frequently to eat "a little something." Pooh's intentions are always the best, but his passion for honey keeps getting him into trouble.

# **Dragons Love Tacos**

April 26 - May 12, 2019 Discover the dietary delights and dilemmas of DRAGONS in this fun-filled farce! In this hilarious adaptation of Adam Rubin's gigglegenerating book, a sharp-suited spokesperson on the TV suddenly draws a boy and his dog into a documentary about Dragons and their favorite food: TACOS! Come join the kooky culinary quest!

**RENEW TODAY!** See the Box Office for more information.

# Rose Members Receive...

- ★ Four free tickets to each regular season show (see list to the left) that's 28 free tickets!
- \* Great discounts on classes, camps and costume rentals.
- ★ Discounts on tickets to The Rose's FIRST STAGE pre-k shows, The Little Engine That Could and Thumbelina, as well as the two premium event shows:



November 30 - December 23, 2018



