

NWCT Newsletter May 2006



The Cat in the Hat (John Ellingson) meets Jojo, a thinker of great thinks (Rafe Larsen).

MAGICAL MUSICAL SEUSSICAL

The Cat in the Hat, Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz and all the Whos in Whoville will light up the stage at NWCT. This musical delight for children of any age (4 to 104!) is making its Northwest premiere, fresh from Broadway.

The play takes characters and events from the books of Dr. Seuss and tumbles them into a pile. The story is imagined by Jojo, who thinks great thinks, with help from The Cat in the Hat. Horton the Elephant tries to save the Whos when the Wickershams steal the clover upon which Whoville is built. Gertrude McFuzz offers to help Horton find the lost Whos, but meanwhile Horton is babysitting Mayzie LaBird's egg and is captured by hunters and taken to a circus. Gertrude saves Horton, and together they persuade a judge (Yertle the Turtle) that Whos exist. Then the egg hatches! As always in Dr. Seuss, the ending is happy.

Performances run May 5-28. [Click here](#) for tickets.

LET'S GO TO CAMP!

Once again, NWCT presents a summer full of theater fun for kids. Studios (ages 6-18) offer two weeks in the world of television in such classes as "General Hospitals," "Wacky Game Shows" and "Hitchcock Presents." In two-week-long Playlabs (ages 7-18) young actors rehearse and perform a play, such as "Madeline Lost" or "Flash to the Rescue!"

Skills classes (ages 4½ to 18) are one week long and include "Make Your Own Sit-Com," "Costume and Makeup Design," "Acting for Television" and "A Day in the Neighborhood." Munchkin camps (ages 4½-6) include music, crafts and acting for beginners; offerings include "Mighty Mouse Tails" and "Cinderella's Mice."

Repeating sessions run June 19 through Aug. 26. Before- and after-care are available. To see a complete list of offerings or to register, [click here](#).

MAY CALENDAR

5-26	Seussical performances
6	Seussical Grandparents' Day
12	Seussical Family Date Night
12, 19	Girl Scout nights
30, 31	Playlab performances

WISH LIST

NWCT needs the following items, whether new or used but usable:

- scanner
- digital camera
- portable CD/tape players
- room fans (for hot summer days)
- flat screen monitors
- office desks and chairs

Please [click here](#) if you can donate these items. All donations are tax-deductible.

CASTING CALL!

Each spring, NWCT holds auditions for the next season. 2006-07's roster of plays includes *The Witches*, *Disney's Beauty and the Beast*, *Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business*, *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*, and *Swiss Family Robinson*. (See last month's newsletter for details.)

At the same time, advanced acting students (ages 15-21) can audition for slots in NWCT's Internship Program, and singers-in-training can audition for Kids Company NW (ages 8-15) or Teens NW (ages 14-18).

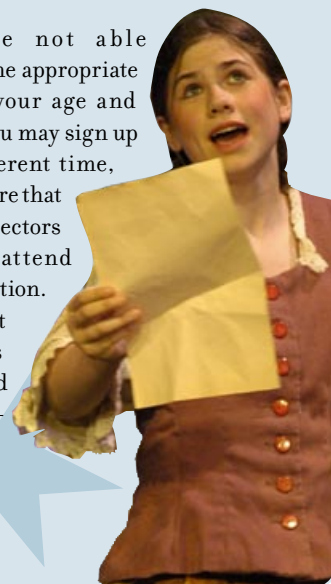
Interested? Call NWCT's Audition Hotline at 503-222-2190, ext. 28, for details or to schedule your audition. (For questions about Teens NW or Kids Company NW, call Carolyn Newsom at 503-222-2190, ext. 15.)

This year's audition schedule:

6/7	5-9:30 p.m.	boys & girls, ages 8-11
6/8	5-9:30 p.m.	girls only, ages 12-14
6/9	5-9:30 p.m.	girls only, ages 12-14
6/10	5-9:30 p.m.	boys only, ages 12-14
6/11	12-9:30 p.m.	boys & girls, ages 15-18

If you're not able to make the appropriate date for your age and gender, you may sign up for a different time, but be aware that all the directors will not attend every audition.

Adult auditions are held on a show-by-show basis.



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