

2019-2020 TOURING PRODUCTIONS

WHO ARE YOU CALLING UGLY? A MODERN DUCK TALE



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Don't Just Read Shakespeare. Live It. *Macbeth* follows the story of a Scottish nobleman approached by three weird sisters with a prophecy that he shall be king. Encouraged by his wife, he begins to

embrace and create the future that was seemingly promised. Driven and inspired by the desire for power, Macbeth struggles with his conscience and chooses a tragic path. In this timely play, Shakespeare closely examines the soul of a man as he succumbs to ambition, the seduction of unchecked power, and fate verses free will. This physically and emotionally charged 60-minute abridged production is a superb introduction to the classic tragedy of Shakespeare's *Macbeth*.

**Best suited for middle and high school audiences. Available for performance beginning February 11, 2020 through May 10, 2020.*

TO BOOK A TOUR

Contact our Education Department at 601.948.3533, ext. 232. The cost of one performance is \$600-\$800 depending on travel distance. Additional performances are half the fee of the first performance. Special discounts are offered when schools book a workshop or workshop series with a touring performance.



If Not Us, Then Who? Freedom Rides to Freedom Summer — This original play with music chronicles two historic events that made an unforgettable impact on

American history and Mississippi. In 1961, thirteen "Freedom Riders" began a journey to fight racial segregation. In 1964, Mississippians and out-of-state volunteers organized "Freedom Summer," a massive voter registration drive to give African Americans a voice in politics. Interspersed with freedom songs from the movement, this 60-minute production features stories of important civil rights leaders such as Fannie Lou Hamer and Senator John Lewis, and the brave heroes whose bold actions continue to inspire the common good and for a better America.

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"I thought the play was quite engaging! Our students are not typically so interested in programs such as these, but they said it was the best one they have seen. This play was appropriate for our U.S. History, Civil Rights, and the Little Rock Nine units. I would like to see more plays like this to help our students understand our history and grasping its relevance."
-Jillian, teacher, Magee High School

INCLUDED IN EACH TOUR PACKAGE

POST-PERFORMANCE QUESTION AND ANSWER WITH THE CAST—provides students a chance to meet the actors and ask questions about literature, acting, and the theatre!

STUDY GUIDE AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS—contains detailed information about the show, the author, as well as fun, educational activities for the classroom — includes press releases, photo sheets, and event posters to help YOU publicize this event!



ALSO AVAILABLE...

THEATRE WORKSHOPS FOR ALL AGES

New Stage offers several workshops for your classroom for \$250 an hour without a tour performance, and \$150 an hour if booked with a tour performance. Workshops available include: *Creative Drama, Theatre 101, Welcome to the World of William Shakespeare, Dramatizing Stories, Devised Theatre, Dramatizing History, and Stage Combat*, or customize a workshop to fit the needs of your classroom.

Teacher Workshops are available for schools as professional development.



SCHOOLFEST MATINEES 10 A.M. WEEKDAY PERFORMANCES

AGATHA CHRISTIE'S MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS

October 23, 25, 29, & 31, 2019

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

December 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, & 17, 2019

MATILDA

January 28, 29, 31 and February 4, 5, & 7, 2020

PIPELINE

March 19, 2020

A CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME

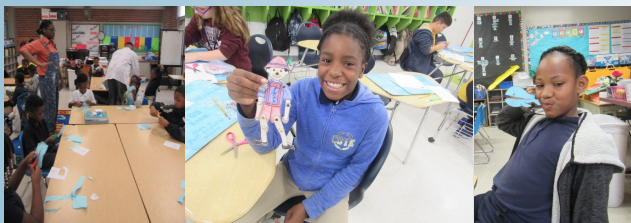
April 22, 24, 28, & 30, 2020

Attend our season productions during the school day for a discounted ticket price. Admission includes a comprehensive study guide before the show and a post-show discussion with the company following the matinee.

Please call 601.948.3533, ext. 245, to reserve seats for your school or class!

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New Stage Theatre's Governor's Arts Award-winning Education Department has a strong reputation for presenting quality performances and has been successfully touring to elementary, middle, and high schools for decades. These tours travel throughout the state, from Clarksdale to Natchez and fit within the school day. Each year, New Stage Theatre delights, entertains, and educates up to 80 schools and reaches more than 20,000 students throughout Mississippi. Teachers appreciate the value of arts integration and love how a live, theatrical production engages their students.



WHAT TEACHERS ARE SAYING:

"The production was such a great experience for our students and staff. The costumes and sets were very creative and were a wonderful asset to the production. My students were very engaged throughout the production and were literally sitting on the edge of their seats waiting for the next scene and responded when requested by the actors."

C. Lewis, teacher, Pearl Upper Elementary

"This production was very cute. My students enjoyed it a lot. I thought that showing the students how you can be creative by turning ordinary objects, such as paint brushes, into props by using their imagination was creative."

N. Welch, teacher, Northside Elementary

"What a fantastic experience for my students...the way your actors related to my students was awesome—far beyond my expectations."

H. Poole, teacher, Crystal Springs High School

"This production was well-acted, dramatic, and very informative. My students seemed stunned that the struggle for civil rights was so violent back then. A program like this is very important because it helps develop empathy for others. This is an opportunity to be cognizant of the enormous wrongs that were made and to not repeat them."

M. Cooper, teacher, NW Rankin Middle School

GRANT ASSISTANCE

Matching grant money may be available from the Mississippi Arts Commission minigrant program. New Stage Theatre is on the MAC Artist Roster. **WE'LL HELP YOU** with the paperwork and suggest other funding options to assist in bringing live theatre to your community!

The deadline to apply for the Mississippi Arts Commission mini-grant is November 1, 2019. For more information, call the Mississippi Arts Commission at 601-359-6030 or visit them online at www.arts.ms.gov.

TEACHER TOUR PREVIEW

Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

Come to New Stage Theatre for a preview of this season's Educational Touring shows! Teachers will be treated to selected scenes as well as a brief presentation from Education Director Sharon Miles on workshop and touring options for your school! Then stick around for a performance of *Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express*. For reservations for our free preview performance, call 601.948.3533, ext. 232.

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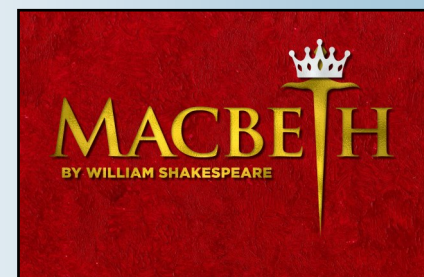
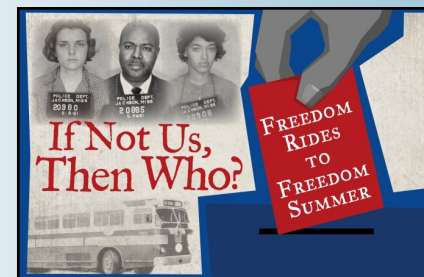
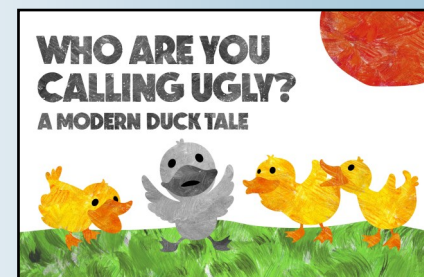


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