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Broadway Rose Presents an Exhilarating Musical and Dance Sensation



Tigard, OR – Broadway Rose Theatre Company presents the Tony Award-winning musical **Disney's Newsies**. Preview performance is on Thursday, July 15, with opening night on **Friday, July 16**, and performances continuing through **August 16**. Evening performances are Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are at 2:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Audio description is available at the Saturday matinee on August 1. Performances are held at the **Deb Fennell Auditorium** located at 9000 SW Durham Road in Tigard.

Inspired by the real-life Newsboys Strike of 1899 and set in New York City, Disney's *Newsies* tells the tale of Jack Kelly, the charismatic leader of the band of teenage "newsies." When the publishing company raises their distribution prices at the newsboys' expense, Jack and his band of misfits rally from across the city to strike against the bullies and fight for what's right. Packed with unforgettable songs, and high-energy dance numbers, this musical seizes the day with courage, friendship, and the belief that ordinary voices can spark extraordinary change.

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Based on the 1992 Disney film written by Bob Tzudiker and Noni White, the musical opened on Broadway in 2012 with music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Jack Feldman, and book by Harvey Fierstein.

Broadway Rose is excited to welcome back director Lyn Cramer to lead this outstanding cast. Cramer is no stranger to bold, energetic, and outstanding musicals having previously directed many audience favorites for Broadway Rose including *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*, *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella*, *Cats*, and *Mamma Mia*. "When I was asked to direct *Newsies* I said, 'Let's Go!' and the search was on for incredible dancers," recalled Cramer. "We were off to New York City where we found a treasure trove of gifted performers. We added them to the endless local talent here and the result—you'll see and experience a cast of dancers, singers, and actors that will knock you out of your seat!"

Joining director **Lyn Cramer** is choreographer **Amy Reynolds-Reed** and music director **Billy Thompson**. Credit to **Front Row Theatrical Rental** for the impressive scenic design and set rental. Audiences will be treated to costume design by **Debbie Bray**, lighting design by **Kristeen Willis**, props design by **Sam Manilla**, fight choreography by **Zero Feeney**, and sound design by **Brian Karl Moen**. Completing the production team is **Jessica Junor** as production stage manager, **Raef Wheaton** as technical director, and **Karen Hill** as production manager.

The cast comprises **Grant Goldman** as Jack Kelly, **Sophie MacKay** as Katherine Plumber, **Josie Seid** as Medda Larkin, **Xander Dean** as Davey, **Alec J. Connolly** as Joseph Pulitzer, **Sam Myerson** as Crutchie, and **Dorian Woolfe Baxter** as Les. Also featured will be **Kristin Alarcon**, **Sarah Baglin**, **Logan Bailey**, **Nathaniel Barry**, **Keaton Bartz**, **Evan Beesley**, **Noah Bleasdell**, **Justin Duff**, **Dylan Freeman**, **Riley Given**, **Alex Gunter**, **Joey Klei**, **Piper Austin Lavey**, **Emerson Lempko**, **Evan Lennon**, **Tyler Grant Luff**, **Dylan Anthony Macabitas**, **Dan Murphy**, **Liz O'Donnell**, **Jay Piper**, **Megan Tudor**, and **Jack Wright**.

Tickets are priced from \$40 to \$75 for adults (depending on date). Tickets in the upper section for ages 6-18 are \$20 and ages 19-35 are \$25. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. Two \$5 tickets are available for each Oregon Trail Card holder for this performance through the Arts for All program. For a full listing of show performances or to order tickets visit www.broadwayrose.org, call 503.620.5262, or visit the box office at 12850 SW Grant Avenue, Tigard.

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BROADWAY ROSE THEATRE COMPANY is Oregon's premier musical theatre company. Under the artistic direction of Sharon Maroney, Broadway Rose has been producing professional musical theatre in the Portland area since 1992, enriching the region's cultural life and increasing opportunities for Oregonians to participate in the arts. Broadway Rose is a

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