Director's Notes

Once upon a time …. The tale of Cinderella goes back in history many years – all the way back to Greek times. Every country in the world has its own version of the story. The one that Rodgers & Hammerstein and Walt Disney both deferred to is the French version by Charles Perrault written in 1697. It was the one that first featured the glass slipper. Each version of their musical has its own slant – but ultimately this Broadway version written in 2013 gives our Ella strength, a willingness to speak her mind and to stand up for what is right yet still showing kindness and a prince (Topher) who is trying to find his way in life, seeking a stronger purpose.

You will see some other changes. There are new characters, new romances and as a bonus, additional songs from the R&H library featured. In a tribute to Disney, you may see a very familiar ballgown! Our costumer, Amy, has outdone herself with the incredible costumes you will see.

I am thrilled to have had the chance to direct *Cinderella*. Even more special is to have worked with my dream team for a third year in a row. I am so grateful to the staff and volunteers at The Mountaineers Kitsap Forest Theater for letting me spend another season out at this magnificent and magical place doing what I love most. I can say that I lived happily ever after!!!!

Enjoy the show!

~ Trina Williamson

Kitsap Forest Theater Camp
Grow ✦ Inspire ✦ Perform
Escape the Ordinary ✦ Create the Extraordinary

2024 Theater Day Camp • Aug. 5 - 9

Campers entering 5th–8th grades will rehearse a musical theatre review from a variety of Broadway shows. Learn the joys of the outdoor theater while developing teamwork, creative problem solving and confident performance skills. This will be an intensive and inspiring week of learning music/dance. The camp ends Friday with a performance for family/friends, followed by an optional family dinner and family camp-out. August 5-9. Please see KFT website for details.

the CRUCIBLE

2024 Fall Classic at KFT • September

September 14, 15, 21, 22 • 2 pm

The Crucible by Arthur Miller is a classic play that delves into the Salem witch trials of 1692. Set in the Puritan town of Salem, Massachusetts, Miller's play unfolds as a chilling allegory for the Red Scare and McCarthyism of the 1950s. The plot centers on the hysteria that erupts when a group of girls accuses fellow villagers of witchcraft. As the trials progress, the town is consumed by fear, paranoia, and a distorted sense of justice.

Miller's narrative serves as a powerful commentary on the dangers of mass hysteria and the consequences of blind conformity. The play remains relevant today as a cautionary tale about the fragility of justice and the ease with which fear can be manipulated for political or personal gain. Come see our talented cast tell this important story. PG-13



Announcing our 2025 Season!



The irrepressible comic strip heroine takes center stage in one of the world's best-loved musicals. The beloved book and score by Tony Award winners Thomas Meehan, Charles Strouse & Martin Charnin features some of the greatest musical theatre hits ever, including *Tomorrow* and *Hard Knock Life*. With equal measures of pluck and positivity, little orphan Annie charms everyone's hearts despite a next-to-nothing start in 1930s New York City. *Annie* is the perfect family-friendly musical The sun truly will come out "Tomorrow"!

Based on the novel by Daniel Wallace and the award-winning Tim Burton film, ***Big Fish*** is a heartfelt, powerful, and truly magical musical about fathers, sons, and the stories that we use to define our identities. *Big Fish* is a magnificent "big fish" of a tale, itself – spectacular, fantastical, and overflowing with love. Edward's incredible, larger-than-life stories thrill everyone around him except his son Will, who is determined to find the truth behind his father's epic tales. Music/Lyrics by Andrew Lippa; Book by John August.

2025 Season Auditions (both shows) in December in Bremerton and Edmonds. Watch website for details.

Big Tree Trail

One of the delights of the Mountaineers' Kitsap Forest Theater is being surrounded by the Rhododendron Preserve – a 460 acre nature conservancy with over 70 acres of old-growth forest. Ancient western red cedars abound with many other trees, ferns and wildlife. One of the biggest trees (30' dia) on the Kitsap Peninsula is located on the preserve. The trail to 'Big Tree' is @ 1/2 mile long and starts near the historic Kitsap Cabin, ending at one of the 10 largest Douglas Firs in the world (2nd largest in Kitsap County). The hike takes you on a bridge over Wildcat Creek with views of blooming trillium, wild rhododendrons and other native trees and plants.

If you hike the trail after the show, please be sure your car is not blocking anyone in. Please note that the first part of the trail is steep – wear walking shoes and enjoy your trek into another time and place!

The Mountaineers Players History • 1923–2024

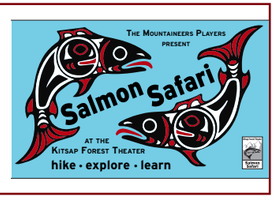
The rich history of The Mountaineers Players and the Kitsap Forest Theater began on a Spring day in 1909. A 'local walk' to view the wild blooming rhododendrons around Wildcat Lake began one of The Mountaineers most enduring traditions. The 'misguided' group of 66 Mountaineers wandered into Hidden Valley Ranch and met Edward Paschall and his family. A fast friendship was forged on that day.

A prominent activity among early Mountaineers visitors involved dramatic diversions. The skits and performances grew into a production of *Robin of Sherwood* on June 17, 1923. The audience moved from clearing to clearing as different scenes were presented. The performance marked the birth of The Mountaineers Players who went on to produce an annual spring show on the property every year to the present day – the only exception being four years during World War II and 2020.

The Mountaineers Players are one of the oldest, continuously operating community theater groups in the country, performing in one of the oldest outdoor theaters in North America. **The Kitsap Forest Theater is truly theater inspired by a magical place!** Read about our history and our early shows on our web site ("History" tab under "About Us") - the history page will take you to our past shows.

Salmon Safari

Join Kitsap Forest Adventure Camp's Salmon Docent Julie Shusterman for a fun and informational adventure in the forest and at Chico Creek. During November, seagoing salmon migrate from their feeding grounds to streams of their birth. Chico Creek is the largest chum salmon run in Kitsap County. Perfect adventure for the whole family. See website for details.



Kitsap Forest Adventure Camp
play ★ explore ★ create



Did you know that we offer two one-week day camps for kids entering grades K-4th grade every July at this beautiful forest property with a Friday dinner/overnight for families? It's a great way to unplug your kids. Registration starts in January. See our web site for details.



Foreman's Forest Works • 360-536-8960

Travis Foreman, the Kitsap Forest Theater caretaker, has left his mark all over the property – notice the benches, fences, arbors, swings, and mushrooms. Contact him for a custom piece of yard art to grace your yard.

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Kitsap Forest Theater
Theater Inspired by a Magical Place
A Treasured Family TRADITION Since 1923
Mountaineers Players

Rodgers + Hammerstein's

Cinderella

The Broadway Version

July 27, 28 • August 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18 • 2:00 pm • 2024

Director:	Trina Williamson
Music Director:	Linda Kappus
Choreographer:	Laura McFarlane
Costumes:	Amy Fancher
Sets:	Jim Johnson
	George Pledger
Props:	Stewart Shusterman

Kitsap Forest Theater
Mountaineers Players

Music by Richard Rodgers • Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II
New Book by Douglas Carter Beane • Original Book by Oscar Hammerstein II
Orchestrations by Danny Troob, Music Adaptation & Arrangements by David Chase
Additional Lyrics by Douglas Carter Beane, David Chase, and Bruce Pomahac
Rodgers + Hammerstein's *Cinderella* (Broadway Version) is presented
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Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella — Synopsis of Scenes

Act 1

Prologue: A Forest
Prologue ..... Ella & Chorus

Scene 1 **A Rocky Glen**
Me, Who Am I? ..... Topher, Sebastian, Pinkleton, Knights, Pageboys

Scene 2 **Outside Madame's Cottage**
In My Own Little Corner ..... Ella, Topher

Scene 3 **Throne Room of the Royale Palace**
Your Majesty ..... Lord Pinkelton, Topher

Scene 4 **Town Square**
The Prince is Giving a Ball/Now is the Time ..... Sebastian, Jean-Michel, Lord Pinkleton, Madame, Crowd
Fol-de-rol ..... Marie

Scene 5 **Inside Madame's Cottage**
Off to the Ball ..... Madame, Gabrielle, Charlotte

Scene 6 **Outside Madame's Cottage**
In My Own Little Corner (reprise)/*Fol-de-rol* ..... Ella & Marie
Impossible ..... Marie & Ella

Scene 7 **Flight to the Castle**
It's Possible ..... Ella, Marie, Chorus

Scene 8 **The Castle Ballroom**
Ridicule ..... Lord Pinkleton & All
Ten Minutes Ago ..... Topher & Ella
Ten Minutes Ago (Reprise) ..... Ella, Topher, Pinkleton, Guests

Scene 9 **The Palace Steps**

Act 2

Entr'Acte

Scene 1 **The Palace Steps**
Stepsister's Lament ..... Charlotte & Ladies of the Court

Scene 2 **The Forest**
Call to Arms/The Pursuit ..... Lord Pinkleton, Topher, Lords of Court, Pages, Ella, Footman, Coachman

Scene 3 **Outside, then Inside Madame's Cottage**
He Was Tall ..... Ella
When You're Driving Through the Moonlight/A Lovely Night .... Ella, Charlotte, Gabrielle, Madame
A Lovely Night (Reprise) ..... Gabrielle & Ella

Scene 4 **Another Part of the Forest**
Loneliness of Evening ..... Topher & Ella
Announcing the Banquet ..... Sebastian, Lord Pinkleton, Heralds, Madame

Scene 5 **Inside Madame's Cottage**
There's Music in You ..... Marie

Scene 6 **The Palace Steps**
The Banquet ..... Lord Pinkleton, Herald Trumpeters
Now is The Time (Reprise)/More *Fol-de-rol* ..... Jean-Michel, Gabrielle, Marie
King Topher ..... Crowd
Do I Love You Because You're Beautiful? ..... Topher, Ella

Scene 7 **The Palace**
Eight O'Clock and All Is Well ..... Lord Pinkleton
Ella in Rags ..... Marie
The Proposal ..... Ella, Topher, Company

Scene 8 **Royal Gardens**
The Wedding ..... Ella, Topher, Lord Pinkleton, Marie, Company

Cast of Characters

Ella ..... Carin Young
Marie ..... Cynthia Dario-Good
Prince Topher ..... Felix Coble
Sebastian ..... ★ Kristopher Jones
Madame ..... Dawn Brazel
Charlotte ..... Gillian Milstein
Gabrielle ..... Julia Hart
Jean-Michel ..... Sriram Kanduri
Lord Pinkleton ..... Jaret Miller

Men's Ensemble/Townspeople

Knight/Horse ..... Hebron Solomon
Knight/Horse ..... Ashton Stonhill
Knight/Coachman ..... Stewart Shusterman
Knight/Footman ..... Alejandro Enguidanos
Knight ..... Travis Johnson
Knight/Sam ..... Ghett Hardwick
Knight ..... Liam Loughridge
Page ..... Vega Tsuchida
Duke of Cheshire ..... David Duke
Earl of Cavendish ..... Brian Lindvall

Women's Ensemble/Townspeople

Ladies' Chorus ..... Valerie Foster
Ladies' Chorus ..... Elora Coble
Ladies' Chorus/Yvonne ..... Angel Gao
Ladies' Chorus ..... Dee Smolar
Ladies' Chorus ..... Claudia Lawrey
Ladies' Chorus ..... ✦ Carol Stanley
Ladies' Chorus/Page ..... Jo Johnson
Ladies' Chorus/Page ..... Eileen Balet

Youth Ensemble/Townspeople

Raccoon/Herald ..... Melanie Waldman
Fox/Herald ..... Ila Mae Carr

✦ Dance Captain ★ Fight Choreographer Captain

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