



**BOSTON CHILDREN'S THEATRE PROUDLY PRESENTS
THE MAGICAL STEPHEN SONDHEIM MUSICAL
'INTO THE WOODS JR'**

-- Performances July 21 – 24 featuring 51 students from 33 communities in 2 rotating casts- Tickets On Sale Now! --

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Beverly, MA (July 6, 2016)-- Be careful what you wish for, you just may receive it! Join Boston Children's Theatre's (BCT) Summer Studio Three students for a mystical, magical production of the Tony Award winning Stephen Sondheim musical **INTO THE WOODS JR**. Performed by two rotating casts, **INTO THE WOODS JR** will be on stage at Shore Country Day School in Beverly, MA from July 21 – 24, 2016.

With a cast of 51 talented young performers ranging in age from 9 and 14, **INTO THE WOODS JR** features everyone's favorite fairy tale characters, including Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, the Wolf, Jack and his beanstock, and of course, the Witch. Based on the classic Brothers Grimm fables, **INTO THE WOODS JR** is a story about wishing, wanting, and the choices we all make on our journey. With a book by James Lapine and music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, **INTO THE WOODS JR** is directed by Mary Guaraldi, with choreography by Alexandra Berube and musical direction by Chris Cho.

"We are thrilled to welcome back Mary Guaraldi this summer to work with our Studio 3 students on our production of *Into the Woods Jr*," said BCT Executive Artistic Director Burgess Clark. "Having directed several summer and mainstage musicals for BCT, Mary has built quite a following among our students. Her boundless energy and love for the theater combined with her enthusiasm for working with our young actors, promise to make this production of *Into the Woods Jr* one that our students and audiences alike will never forget." In addition to directing, Guaraldi will also be teaching a Master Acting Class for students in the summer studios program.

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The two casts of **INTO THE WOODS JR** include **Andover** students Zoe Ritchie and Isabelle Senior; **Atlanta, GA** student Jennifer Long; **Cambridge** student Theodora Lim; **Beverly** students Ashley DuKatz, Grace Godfrey, Connor Hathaway, Annabelle Howard, Julia Norcross, Inez Ricciuti, and Emilia Tagliani; **Boston** student Marlie Kass; **Boxford** student Spencer Schaab; **Brookline** students Amber Renthal and Lizzie Ross; **Byfield** student Katelyn James; **Cambridge** student Leo Kupferberg; **Charlestown** student David Sullivan; **Cohasset** student Alexa Cohen; **Dorchester** student Journey King; **Everett** student Isabel Wade; **Haverhill** student Julia Desmet; **Ipswich** students Nina Galanis, Miles Kercher and Thomas Surpitski; **Jamaica Plain** students Zoe Colimon and Edan Zinn; **Longmeadow** student Jonah Barresi; **Lynnfield** student Caroline Sprince-Boyle; **Manchester, MA** students Lilly Coote and Genevieve Young; **Marblehead** students Margaret Hoffman and Maisie Moore; **Medford** students Jack Bolitho, Alexandra DeNisco, and Jenna Kathleen McLaughlin; **Milton** student Benjamin Simpson; **Newbury** students Eve Heckman and Kylie Lorenzo; **Newton** student Hailey McDonald; **Norfolk** student Aimee Coleman; **Peabody** student Cathryn Brierley; **Portsmouth, NH** student Caraline Shaheen; **Reading** student Anabel Moda; **Roslindale** student Brooks Gillespie; **South Hamilton** student Aeneas Strozier; **South Boston** students Chloe McAuliffe and Brendan O'Brien; **Winchester** students Grace Luetngen and Denise Morova; and **Windham, NH** student Gabriella Do'Orto.

INTO THE WOODS JR will be performed at Shore Country Day School, 545 Cabot Street, Beverly, MA. Performances are Thursday, July 21 at 7:30 pm, Friday, July 22 at 7:30 pm, Saturday, July 23 at 2 pm and 8:00 pm and Sunday, July 24 at 2 pm and 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$10 to \$20. For tickets and information, visit <http://bostonchildrenstheatre.org/tickets-2/> or call 617-424-6634, x222. **INTO THE WOODS JR** is supported by BCT's 2016 Presenting Sponsor WGBH and is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).

About Boston Children's Theatre

For over 60 years, Boston Children's Theatre has served as one of the region's premier not-for-profit theaters. An Elliot Norton Award winning theatre, BCT has been named Best of Boston® 2013 and 2012 by *Boston Magazine* for Best Children's Theatre. BCT's mission is to provide access to exceptional theatrical experiences dedicated to fostering the artistic and personal development of diverse youth, with a focus on professional training and the development of new works. Programs at Boston Children's Theatre provide a unique chance for self-discovery and individual expression in a supportive and productive environment. At BCT, talented and motivated students gather from across traditional boundaries and nationalities to learn about themselves, each other and the world, as they create some of the finest theatrical productions in New England.

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