



KITSAP FOREST THEATER

THEATER INSPIRED BY A MAGICAL PLACE

The Mountaineers Players present *Fiddler on the Roof*
at the magical **Kitsap Forest Theater** in Bremerton

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BREMERTON, WA – The tradition of outdoor theater is alive and well at Kitsap Forest Theater, and continues this spring with *Fiddler on the Roof*. Each weekend from Memorial Day through Father’s Day, the Mountaineers Players will present this classic musical at 2pm. Both residents of the Kitsap Peninsula and visitors from Seattle and beyond will delight in this family-friendly production and the beautiful forest amphitheater, located just west of Bremerton.

A quarter-mile trail transports visitors to another time and place and connects them with the 89-year tradition of Kitsap Forest Theater. Generations of theatergoers have enjoyed the scenic drive or ferry ride to the Theater as well as the family-friendly productions. The pastoral setting, including an earth stage, bark-covered wings and forest backdrop, belies its proximity to Bremerton and Seattle.

With *Fiddler* in the spring and the summer show *Footloose, The Musical*, Kitsap Forest Theater’s 2012 season tackles issues that are prevalent today, especially the theme of younger generations clashing with the values and traditions of their elders. Both productions, as well as the collaborative efforts of the mixed-generation Mountaineers Players, demonstrate that young and old can learn from each other by working together.

***Fiddler on the Roof* Synopsis:** In the little village of Anatevka, Tevye, a poor dairyman, tries to instill in his five daughters the traditions of his tight-knit Jewish community in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, *Fiddler on the Roof* has touched audiences around the world with its humor, warmth and honesty. The universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness. The rich score features songs loved the world over such as “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were A Rich Man,” “Matchmaker,” and, of course, “Tradition.” The whole family will delight in this timeless story and memorable music.

About Kitsap Forest Theater: The Mountaineers Players, part of The Mountaineers of Seattle, are one of the longest-running nonprofit community theater groups in the country. Each spring and summer, they perform at Kitsap Forest Theater, one of the oldest outdoor theaters in North America. This natural outdoor amphitheater, where giant fir trees surround terraced seating and verdant ferns serve as “footlights,” is located in Bremerton on a 460-acre Rhododendron Preserve. Shows at Kitsap Forest Theater are a treasured Northwest family tradition dating back to 1923.

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