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Kitsap Forest Theater Celebrates Summer with Godspell

Performances: July 31-August 1; August 7-8, 14-15, 21-22; 2 PM

BREMERTON, WA – Escape to the Kitsap Forest Theater – an outdoor musical adventure for the entire family, presented by the Mountaineers Players. The parables of Matthew will come to life in **Godspell** at the Kitsap Forest Theater, just west of Bremerton. This jubilant musical celebration, with a score by Stephen Schwartz (*Wicked*) and popular songs like “Day by Day,” will be presented at 2pm each weekend from July 31 through August 22.

Stroll down the forested trail to a unique and breathtaking natural amphitheater, one of the oldest theaters in North America, for a show presented by one of the oldest continuously operating nonprofit community theater groups in the country. Create a treasured family tradition!

The quarter-mile trail to the theater transports you from the everyday to a magical place where stories for all ages have come to life for the past 87 years. The earth stage is surrounded by giant old-growth fir and verdant fern “footlights,” while cedar bark and living moss cover the “wing walls.” Seating is carved out of the side of the natural amphitheatre. Theatergoers are amazed by the pristine beauty of this unique setting among old-growth firs and protected salmon streams on a 460-acre rhododendron preserve.

As one patron commented: “It’s like a big happy family. It’s also an awesome family tradition.” The forest venue provides a fun, affordable, nearby getaway for families; many patrons have been attending for decades. From Seattle or Edmonds, a ferry ride adds excitement to the experience and bicyclists often ride from Bremerton.

Godspell Synopsis: Through song, dance and improvisational comedy, **Godspell** brings the parables of Matthew’s gospel to life. The production features an animated score by Stephen Schwartz and book by John-Michael Tebelak. Favorite songs include: “Day By Day,” “Prepare Ye The Way Of The Lord,” “All For The Best,” “Learn Your Lessons Well” and “God Save the People.” Experience the birth of a new community and the joy of this musical celebration.

About Kitsap Forest Theater:

The Mountaineers Players, a subsidiary of the historic Mountaineers club, perform at Kitsap Forest Theater every spring and summer. Kitsap Forest Theater is one of the oldest outdoor theaters in North America and the Mountaineers Players are one of the oldest continuously operating nonprofit community theater groups in the country. Join in a treasured Northwest family tradition dating back to 1923.

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