DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The original Mary Poppins books were written with each chapter acting as a stand-alone story. This worked great for bedtime story reading, however, this format did not translate easily to a full-length story on film or stage. If you saw "Saving Mr. Banks" you know that the process Disney followed to bring Mary to life on film was not easy or ultimately satisfying for the author, P.L. Travers.

After years of negotiating, the stage version was created with a story that more closely matched the author's wishes for depth in characters. This version differs from the movie by having a different mix of stories taken from the book series. It also presents a more tough minded, yet still playful and loving, Mary Poppins, with a stronger story line centered around the Banks family, especially focusing on George and Winifred Banks and their relationship.

This musical provides a broad range of entertainment including silly slapstick humor, delightful songs, great dance numbers, and stories of personal growth. Though the Broadway show is noted for flying and many special effects, we are excited to show you what a little Kitsap Forest Theater magic can do to transport you to Mary Poppins very special world of imagination.

~ Craig Schieber, Director

BIG TREE TRAIL

One of the delights of the Mountaineers' Kitsap Forest Theater is being surrounded by the Mountaineers Foundation 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 on the Kitsap Peninsula is located on the preserve.

The trail to 'Big Tree' is about 1/2 mile long and starts near the historic Kitsap Cabin, ending at one of the 10 largest Douglas Fir trees in the world (2nd largest in Kitsap County). The tree itself is over 30' in diameter. The hike takes you on a bridge over Wildcat Creek with views of Hidden Valley, blooming trillium, wild rhododendrons and many other native trees and plants. You truly feel as if you have entered another world.

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!

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Based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film, Shrek The Musical is a TONY Award-winning fairy tale adventure featuring all-new songs, a sidesplitting story and great dancing. Shrek brings all the beloved characters you know from the film to dazzling life on stage. Travel with Shrek on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess with a big secret. Part romance, part twisted fairy tale and all irreverent fun for everyone - Shrek is a perfect summer outing for the whole family.

MOUNTAINEERS PLAYERS HISTORY

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. Skits, pantomimes, kangaroo-courts, and mock-weddings were performed using props and costumes at hand. The first theatrical effort that had any continuity was a pantomime staging of the Legend of Sleepy Hollow in 1916. The headless horseman rode on a bright, moonlit Halloween night. 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.

The increasing size of the audience and the relatively uncomfortable accommodations spurred the movement to build a permanent theater facility. William C. Darling and the Players business manager Claire McGuire scouted the site of the present day Kitsap Forest Theater. The site was a level spot with a gentle upward slope near Chico Creek. The Mountaineers felled trees, carved terraced seats in the hillside and lugged cedar bark from the creek bottom under Mr. Darling's direction. The original design of the theater attempted to recreate a naturally occurring glade in the forest. Trees were thinned to allow streams of light to fall on the stage while keeping the audience shaded. Wings were constructed out of cedar bark covered with moss. A lush row of fern footlights and rhododendrons and dogwoods filling the back drop are just a few of the natural wonders of this unique space.

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. See our web site for more history of these early shows.

If you would like to be a part in helping to keep this magical place operating (both in helping with property work parties and/or donating money) please contact us. We are a proud part of The Mountaineers organization, a 501(c)3 non-profit. And if you would like to be involved in our shows, either behind the scenes or on stage, contact us by phone or email: players@foresttheater.com - 206-542-7815.



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The Mountaineers Players have been performing at The Mountaineers' Kitsap Forest Theater since 1923 and are delighted to present their 92nd Anniversary Spring Show.

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MARY POPPINS - SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

(London 1910)

Act One (Autumn)

Scene 1-2	Rooftop, Street, Parlor <i>Chim Chim Cher-ee</i> (Prologue) Bert <i>Cherry Tree Lane (Part 1)</i> George, Winifred, Mrs. Brill, Jane, Michael, Ay <i>The Perfect Nanny</i>			
	Cherry Tree Lane (Part 2) George, Winifred, Mrs. Brill, Jane, Michael, Ay			
Scene 3	Nursery <i>Practically Perfect</i> Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael			
Scene 4	Park <i>Chim Chim Cher-ee</i> (Park Reprise) Bert <i>Jolly Holiday</i> Bert, Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael, Neleus, Ensemble			
Scene 5	Parlor <i>Let's Hope She Will Stay</i> George, Winifred, Jane, Michael			
Scene 6	Street, Kitchen Winds Do Change Bert A Spoonful of Sugar Mary, Jane, Michael, Robertson Ay, Winifred			
Scene 7	Bank Precision and Order Bank Chairman, Clerks, Von Hussler, Northbrook A Man Has Dreams George			
Scene 8	Cathedral Steps <i>Feed the Birds</i> Bird Woman, Mary Poppins, Ensemble			
Scene 9	Park <i>Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious</i> Mary, Corry, Bert, Jane, Michael, Ens.			
Scene 10	Street, Parlor Twists and Turns			
Scene 11	Nursery <i>Playing the Game</i> Mary, Valentine, Doll, Teddy Bear, Punch, Toys			
Scene 12	Roof <i>Chim Cher-ee</i>			
Act Two (Winter)				
Scene 1	Street, Parlor <i>Cherry Tree Lane (Reprise)</i> Brill, Michael, Jane, Winifred, Ay, George <i>Brimstone and Treacle (Part 1)</i> Miss Andrew			
Scene 2-4	Park Let's Go Fly a Kite Bert, Park Keeper, Jane, Michael, Mary, Kites Good for Nothing/Being Mrs. Banks George, Winifred			
Scene 5-7	Parlor, Nursery Brimstone and Treacle (Part 2) Mary Poppins, Miss Andrew Practically Perfect (Reprise) Jane, Michael, Mary Poppins			
Scene 8	Roof, Nursery, Parlor <i>Step in Time</i> Bert, Mary Poppins, Jane, Michael, Sweeps			
Scene 9	Parlor A Man Has Dreams (Reprise)/A Spoonful of Sugar (Reprise) George, Bert			
Scene 10-13	Nursery, Steps, Bank, Park Anything Can Happen Mary Poppins, Bert, Jane, Michael, Ensemble			

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Bert	Merrill Matheson
Mary Poppins	Meagan Castillo
George Banks	Tod Harrick
Winifred Banks	Jenny Dreessen
Jane Banks	Lydia Salo
Michael Banks	Joseph Martinez
Mrs. Brill	Becky Eastgard
Robertson Ay	Oliver Girouard
Miss Andrew/Bird Woman	Dawn Brazel
Mrs. Corry/Sweep	Leslie Youngblood
Miss Lark/Bank Clerk	Deb Harrick
Admiral Boom/Bank Clerk	Gary Spees
Policeman/Magician/Bank Clerk/Sweep	Kevin Tanner
Katie Nanna/Sweep	Luciana Barrera
Park Keeper/Bank Clerk	Brian Lindvall
Neleus/Toy/Kite/Sweep	Jasmine Harrick
Queen Victoria Statue/Bank Clerk	Joan Barrera
Woodland Statue/Doll/Kite/Sweep	Sophie Walters
Woodland Statue/Toy/Kite/Sweep	Eliana Harrick
Woodland Statue/Toy/Kite	Emma Gunter
Bank Chairman	Jerry Dreessen
Von Hussler/Sweep	Anderson Shaw
Northbrook/Sweep	Christian Gunter
Miss Smythe/Sweep	Carol Stanley
Bank Clerk/Sweep	Guy Caridi
Bank Clerk/Sweep	Renee Cyr Johnson
Bank Clerk/Sweep	Shaina Cochrane
Annie/Valentine/Sweep	Katie Dreessen
Fannie/Mr. Punch/Sweep	Amanda Petrowski
Magician/Teddy Bear/Sweep	Jessica Lam
Magician/Kite Flyer/Sweep	Jaden Jones
Magician/Toy/Kite Flyer	Kate Oest-Larsen
Dog Puppeteer/Toy/Kite Flyer	Scooter Walters
Toy/Kite Flyer	Jamie Castillo
Toy/Kite Flyer	Maya Farsje
KFT Magician	Rebecca Pella
KFT Magician	Alfonso Barrera
KFT Magician	Madison Martinez

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