

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

It is a joy to return each year and work alongside this remarkable production team in this unique space. Every member of this company brings a deep sense of pride to their craft, but what makes that pride extraordinary is how it is shared. Performers and the production team come together not just as individuals, but as a unified ensemble—listening, adapting, and building something far greater than the sum of its parts.

This collective spirit magnifies the impact of every individual contribution. The result is a production shaped by many hands and hearts, where each element supports and elevates the next. It is a thrilling process to witness, and we hope you feel that same sense of wonder as the story unfolds.

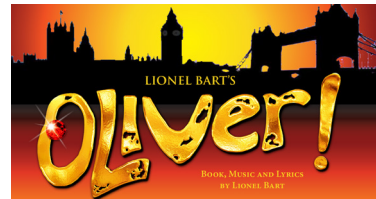
As you enjoy today's performance, take a moment to notice how the music, design, and performances harmonize. It is within that synergy that the true magic of theater reveals itself.

This spirit is perfectly reflected in *Frozen*. Beyond the beloved songs and characters, the musical explores the transformative power of love over fear. Elsa's journey reminds us that fear can distort our greatest strengths, but through her bond with Anna, she learns to embrace her true self. In many ways, this mirrors the collaborative process: true partnership requires us to set aside fear, trust one another, and engage with openness. When we do, we create something filled with energy, connection, and a touch of magic.

Thank you for being part of that experience today.

~ Craig Schieber

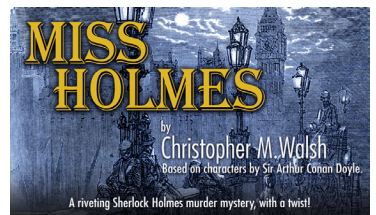
July 25, 26, August 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16 • 2 PM • 2026



Consider yourself at home with Lionel Bart's classic musical based on the Charles Dickens novel, *Oliver Twist*. This Tony and Olivier Award-winning show is widely hailed as a true theatrical masterpiece by actors and audience members alike. This well-crafted tale of love, hope and dreams engages audiences with its pathos and drama, while delighting everyone with its outstanding musical theater

classics such as *Food, Glorious Food*, *I'd Do Anything*, *Where is Love?*, *Consider Yourself*, *Who Will Buy* and *Reviewing the Situation*. *Oliver!* is a musical theatre masterpiece, celebrating the magic of theatre and the power of a great story.

2026 FALL CLASSIC • September 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 19, 20 • 2 PM



A new Sherlock Holmes case with a very definite twist. In this deadly serious and thrilling story, Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson are intelligent, independent women in Victorian England. Neither of these smart and brave women abides by the conventions of their time – to their peril. *Miss Holmes* is a riveting murder mystery by Christopher M. Walsh, based on characters by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

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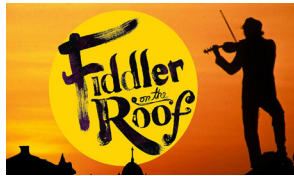
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2027 SEASON SNEAK PEEK—NEW WORLDS FROM OLD ROOTS



These beloved musicals are known for their unforgettable music and powerful storytelling — but they share something deeper. At their heart, all three are stories of hope, resilience, and moving forward when life doesn't turn out the way you expected. Each explores the complicated, beautiful bond between parents and children, the bittersweet process of letting go, and the courage it takes to find your own path as the world changes around you.

From the fragile balance of tradition in *Fiddler on the Roof*, to the healing power of imagination in *Finding Neverland*, to the unexpected consequences of our wishes in *Into the Woods* — each show offers its own perspective on what it means to face change and discover a new way forward.

THE MOUNTAINEERS PLAYERS HISTORY • 1923–2026

Founded in 1909 after a group of hikers befriended the owners of Hidden Valley Ranch, The Mountaineers Players evolved from campfire skits into a formal theater group. Their first major production, *Robin of Sherwood*, debuted in 1923, leading to the construction of this permanent outdoor amphitheater in 1926. The Players have produced an annual spring show nearly every year for over a century, adding summer and fall productions in recent years. A full archive of past shows — with photos and descriptions — can be found under "About Us" on our website.



2026 THEATER DAY CAMP • AUG. 3 - 7

Campers entering 5th–8th grades will rehearse a musical theatre review from a variety of Broadway shows, led by Ila Dreessen (Elsa!). 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. August 3-7. Please see KFT website for details.

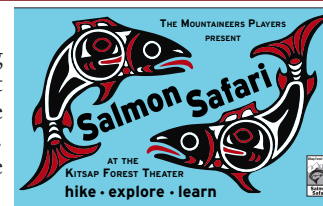
Kitsap Forest Adventure Camp play ★ explore ★ create

We offer two one-week day camps for kids entering grades K-4th grade every July at this beautiful forest property with an optional Friday dinner/overnight for families? It's a great way to unplug your kids and get them outside. See our website for all the details.



SALMON SAFARI

In November, seagoing salmon migrate from their feeding grounds to streams of their birth. Chico Creek is the largest chum salmon run in Kitsap County. Watch our website for the date for a fun & informational tour of the returning Salmon. Perfect adventure for the whole family. Meet at the start of the Big Tree Trail. Tours run as needed. Rain or Shine!



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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.



POST A COMMENT OR REVIEW

Did you enjoy your visit to our magical theater?

Become a theater ambassador and spread the word about this special place. Tell your friends, post a review on our facebook page, share our website: word of mouth is our best advertising!



MAY 24, 25 • 30, 31 • JUNE 6, 7 • 13, 14 • 2 PM

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Nancy Press

VOCAL MUSIC DIR

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PROPS

**Angela Templin
Reid Templin**

SETS

**George Pledger
Jim Johnson**

STAGE MANAGERS

**Kristen Deskin
Danette Lam**



Disney's *Frozen*, The Broadway Musical

MUSIC/LYRICS by Kristen Anderson-Lopez & Robert Lopez • Book by Jennifer Lee
Based on Disney film written by Jennifer Lee • Produced on Broadway by Disney Theatrical and is presented by the Mountaineers Players through special arrangement with and all authorized performance materials supplied by Music Theatre Int'l (MTI)
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FROZEN THE MUSICAL ❄️ SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT ONE

SCENE 1	Summer Festival <i>Opening</i> Young Anna, Young Elsa, King Agnarr, Queen Iduna, Townspeople
SCENE 2	Anna & Elsa's Bedroom <i>A Little Bit of You</i> Young Elsa, Young Anna <i>First Joik</i> Queen, King, Pabbie, Bulda, Young Elsa, Company <i>Northern Lights</i> Queen, King, Pabbie, Bulda, Young Elsa
SCENE 3	Castle Hallway/Anna & Elsa's Bedrooms <i>Do You Want to Build a Snowman?</i> Young Anna, Young Elsa, Anna, Elsa, Ensemble
SCENE 4	Anna's Bedroom/Castle Hallway/Castle Courtyard <i>For the First Time in Forever</i> Anna, Elsa, Castle Staff, Townspeople
SCENE 5	Castle Courtyard <i>Hans of the Southern Isles</i> Hans
SCENE 6	Castle Interior, Coronation Ceremony <i>Dangerous to Dream</i> Elsa, Anna, Townspeople
SCENE 7	Castle Interior, Coronation Ball <i>Love is an Open Door</i> Anna, Hans
SCENE 8	Foot of the North Mountain <i>Reindeer(s) Are Better Than People</i> Kristoff <i>What Do You Know About Love?</i> Anna, Kristoff
SCENE 9	Winter Wonderland <i>In Summer</i> Olaf
SCENE 10	Castle Courtyard <i>Hans of the Southern Isles</i> (Reprise) Hans, Townspeople
SCENE 11	North Mountain <i>Let It Go</i> Elsa

ACT TWO

SCENE 1	Wandering Oaken's Trading Post and Sauna <i>Hygge</i> Oaken, Kristoff, Anna, Olaf, Sauna Friends
SCENE 2	Elsa's Ice Palace <i>Let it Go</i> (Reprise) Elsa <i>I Can't Lose You</i> Anna, Elsa
SCENE 3	Winter Wonderland After the Avalanche <i>Do You Want to Build a Snowman?</i> (Reprise) Olaf <i>Kristoff Joik</i> Kristoff
SCENE 4	Liminal World <i>Fixer Upper/Draw the Magic Out</i> Bulda, Pabbie. Olaf, Hidden Folk <i>Kristoff Lullaby</i> Kristoff
SCENE 5	Mountain Pass <i>End This Winter</i> Hans, Weselton, Volunteers
SCENE 6	Elsa’s Ice Palace <i>Monster</i> Elsa, Hans, Weselton, Volunteers
SCENE 7	Outside the Castle <i>Kristoff Lullaby Tag</i> Kristoff
SCENE 8	Castle Library <i>King Hans</i> Hans
SCENE 9	Castle Courtyard <i>Colder by the Minute</i> Anna, Kristoff, Elsa, Hans, Townspeople <i>Finale</i> Ensemble

CAST OF CHARACTERS

YOUNG ANNA	Mayla Elmore
YOUNG ELSA	Harper Rogers
QUEEN IDUNA	Rachael Scott
KING AGNARR	Sam Elmore
PABBIE	Jack Dearth
BULDA	Emma Shusterman
ANNA	Marin Alexis
ELSA	Ila Sarah Dreessen
DUKE OF WESELTON	Royce Napolitino
HANS	David Ward
KRISTOFF	Jared White
SVEN	Rufus Crane
OLAF	Katie Dreessen
OAKEN	A. J. Dreessen

TOWNSPERSONS; DANCING & SINGING ENSEMBLE

HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	❄️ Jaylah Monroe
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	Holly Burns
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/LACKEY1	Celina Brewder
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	Lily Carson
HIDDEN FOLK/VOLUNTEER	Lillian Cha
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	Taya Clift
HIDDEN FOLK/VOLUNTEER	Paige Cooper
GUARD 1/HIDDEN FOLK/SAUNA	Gail Foster
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	Valerie Foster
HIDDEN FOLK	Paola Gómez Valencia
BISHOP/HIDDEN FOLK/VOLUNTEER	Alexandra Hartka
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	Emma Layton
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/VOLUNTEER	Christine Lin
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	Neena Malcom
HANDMAIDEN/SAUNA/HIDDEN FOLK	Carol Stanley
HANDMAIDEN/HIDDEN FOLK	Erin Fall
HIDDEN FOLK/SHIPWRECK/SAUNA	Vega Tsuchida
HIDDEN FOLK	Brie Anderson-Feldman
HIDDEN FOLK/LACKEY2	David Duke

❄️ DANCE CAPTAIN

BIG TREE TRAIL

The Kitsap Forest Theater is surrounded by the Rhododendron Preserve – a 460 acre nature conservancy with over 70 acres of old-growth forest. One of the 10 largest Douglas Fir trees in the world (2nd largest in Kitsap County) is located on the preserve. The trail to ‘Big Tree’ is about 1/2 mile long and starts near Kitsap Cabin, ending at Big Tree. The tree is over 30’ in diameter. The first part of the trail is steep – the hike takes you through Hidden Valley, 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. Wear walking shoes and enjoy your trek to another time and place!

MUSIC ❄️ DANCE STAFF

<i>Choreographer</i>	Guy Caridi
<i>Vocal Music Director</i>	Ila Sarah Dreessen
<i>Music Director/Conductor</i>	Mark Press
<i>Assistant Music Director/Accompanist/Keyboard</i>	Nancy Press
<i>Accompanist/Keyboard</i>	Jay Rauchenstein
<i>Percussion/Guitar</i>	Mark Jackson
<i>Woodwinds</i>	Mark Kunz
<i>Flute</i>	Alec Keith
<i>Violin</i>	Kasey Cheung

Thanks to Driftwood Players and Lisa Vallins

PRODUCTION STAFF

<i>Director</i>	Craig Schieber
<i>Stage Manager</i>	Kristen Deskin
<i>Assistant Stage Manager</i>	Danette Lam
<i>Costume Designer</i>	Amy Fancher Shirlee Mavar, Nalia Schwanger, Gail Foster, Alex Rosner, Anne Marie Fall
<i>Wig Stylist</i>	Ila Sarah Dreessen
<i>Set Design/Construction</i>	Jim Johnson & George Pledger
<i>Set Dressing/Painting</i>	Jenny Dreessen, Danette Lam Aidan Deskin, Kristen Deskin, Jerry Dreessen, Wyatt Goldstein, Breanna Hormann, Christine Lin, Dee Smolar, Kaylee Snider
<i>Rosemaling Design/Painting</i>	Stephanie Tebrink
<i>Prop Managers/Set Technical Design</i>	Angela & Reid Templin
<i>Technical Director/Sound Designer/Audio Engineer</i>	Kevin Matthew
<i>Sound Board Operator</i>	David Whitemarsh
<i>Sound Effects Operator</i>	Erik Lam
<i>Intimacy Coaching</i>	LeeAnn Hittenberger
<i>Trail Decorations</i>	Anne Marie Fall Brie Anderson, Jaylah Bennett, Holly Burns, Taya Clift, AJ Dreesen, Michael Fall, Alexandra Hartka, Emma Layton, Robin Rogers, Dee Smolar
<i>Publicity Manager</i>	Jerry Dreessen LeeAnn Nolan, <i>Players’ Committee and entire Frozen cast, crew & families.</i>
<i>Graphic Design, Program</i>	Gala Lindvall

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Shuttle Driver	Les Bagley
Production Manager	Gala Lindvall
Associate Production Manager/Kitchen Manager	Jenny Dreessen

Thanks to our many Volunteers! ❄️ Get Involved!

Putting on shows at KFT takes an army of volunteers who sell tickets, house manage/usher, head park/park, sell concessions, help backstage with sets and painting and cook for cast and crew. Thank you to all of you who are the backbone of our organization, helping to staff these positions for our shows. If you’d like to volunteer to help in any of these areas, please call 206-542-7815 or email players@foresttheater.com to sign up. And see the show for free! Watch our website for dates of our 2027 Season auditions (see announcement on the back) - held at the end of January.