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## PRESS RELEASE: PUSS IN BOOTS AT THE WINNIPEG FRINGE!

Merlyn Productions Theatre Company will present *"PUSS IN BOOTS"*, as adapted by NOAH SMITH from the Charles Perrault classic, at the Winnipeg Fringe Theatre Festival, July 17 to 27.

The only classic children's theatre fairy tale being presented in the 2014 festival, this 55-minute play is geared for ages 3 and up, with synopsis as follows:

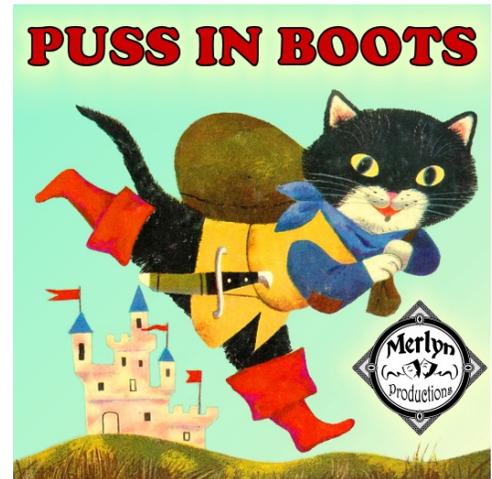
*"This comical adaptation of "PUSS IN BOOTS" stays true to the ideas of the classic TAIL, with plenty of new laughs for the whole family!"*

*Filled with AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION, young play-goers help defeat the town ogre before a poor miller's son can marry his princess – all masterminded by a talking cat, of course!*

*Geared for ages 3 and up, from the producer that brought you "CINDERELLA", "SNOW WHITE", "BROTHERS GRIMM", and "MING LEE"!"*

Directing the play is Merlyn Productions Artistic Director JOHN CHASE. Mr Chase is a veteran of theatre for young audiences, having served as both cast and staff at *Fantasy Theatre for Children* for 20 seasons, and steadily produced classic children's theatre titles for the past six years – including several multiple-sellout runs at the Winnipeg Fringe Festival Kids Venue.

Featured in the cast of twelve Manitoba talents are *Winnipeg Theatre School* student JORDAN HRYNKIWI in the title role, KEN STONE, JOSEPHINE COX, DANIEL GILMOUR, NICHOLAS CURRY, and CORA FAST, with SHEYCEE EDEL, HELMUT FRIEDRICH, JACKSON KLEIN, ARIEL LEO, FAITH MARCIAL, and BRANDY SCHNERCH. The diverse ensemble is composed of ages fourteen through senior, including several WTS students and alumni. Stage managed by ERICA WILSON. Costume design by JENN HARDER. Properties by HEATHER FORGIE.



<b>TITLE:</b>	PUSS IN BOOTS
<b>VENUE:</b>	VENUE #4 – ALLOWAY HALL (Manitoba Museum)
<b>SHOW TIMES:</b>	Thu July 17, 2:00 PM      Fri July 18, 7:00 PM      Sun July 20, 1:30 PM Mon July 21, 12:00 PM      Tue July 22, 8:45 PM Fri July 25, 3:45 PM      Sun July 27, 5:30 PM
<b>TICKETS:</b>	General Admission - \$10.00 Door Discount - \$5.00 for Kids 12 & under, Fringe Volunteers
<b>ADVANCE TICKETS:</b>	WINNIPEGFRINGE.COM

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### **About The Company**

*Merlyn Productions* is a live theatre production company that also operates the *Winnipeg Theatre School* (WTS) in Winnipeg, Manitoba. The theatre company presents a full season of stage plays each year, while the theatre school offers acting classes for ages 10 to 55.

*Merlyn Productions* is the successor to *C.G. Productions*, which staged plays locally from 1997 until 1999. Founded by Artistic Director John Chase, the company is committed to the mission of staging "***quality theatrical entertainment at an affordable ticket price***".

Performers of many ages and skill levels from the greater community are welcomed into its cast and staff, who dedicate time for the love of their art form, and are committed to fostering local live theatre.

The company is now producing its sixth consecutive season of plays at the Ellice Theatre, which has been regarded as its mainstage since moving into its current Exchange District studio in late 2008.

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