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~ Now celebrating 10 seasons of local live theatre! ~

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## **PRESS RELEASE: "PUSS IN BOOTS"** **GOES ON AN EXTENDED RUN!**

Boots is back after multiple SOLD OUT performances at the 2018 Winnipeg Fringe Festival (★★★★ Winnipeg Free Press – *"There's much to really purr about in this show"*)!

Merlyn Productions Theatre Company will present a special extended run of **"PUSS IN BOOTS"**, adapted by NOAH SMITH, November 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> at the Forrest Nickerson Theatre (285 Pembina).

*"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, every young play-goer helps 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, children can meet the cast following a 55-minute performance.

Directing the play is Merlyn Productions Artistic Director JOHN CHASE. Mr Chase is a veteran of theatre for young audiences, having served as cast and staff at *Fantasy Theatre for Children* for 20 seasons, and produced classic children's theatre titles in Winnipeg for the past 10 years.

The cast of 12 local talents is composed of ages eleven through adult and includes multiple alumni of the *Winnipeg Theatre School*: featuring JORDAN HRYNKIOW as Boots, AL SHPELLER as the King, CRYSTAL VEROBA as the Queen, DANIEL GILMOUR as the Ogre, EZRA ENNS as Guy, and KYLEE KOLESAR as Princess Genevieve, with KRISSADIE ARMSTRONG, CHANTAL BEST, ALISON KOLISNYK, SANDY MARIE, TIM SAYEAU, and AVERY WOLCHUK. Stage managed by MARGARET KEAST. Costume design by KAITLIN KLASSEN. Properties by HEATHER FORGIE.

**TITLE:** PUSS IN BOOTS  
**VENUE:** Forrest Nickerson Theatre – 285 Pembina (South of Confusion Corner)  
*\* Wheelchair Accessible \* Babes in arms permitted. \**

**SHOW TIMES:** Friday, November 16 at 10:30 AM & 1:30 PM  
Saturday, November 17 & Sunday, November 18 at 1:30 PM

**TICKETS:** \$12 / Group Rates Available for 10 or more.  
Reserve online at MERLYN.BIZ or by phone at 204-415-2714

For further information, please contact *Merlyn Productions* at 204-415-2714 or [info@merlyn.biz](mailto:info@merlyn.biz).

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### **About The Company**

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Dedicated to creating "*the magic of live theatre for all ages*", the company celebrates **10 seasons** of staging quality theatrical entertainment for general & family audiences, while the theatre school offers performance-orientated acting classes for children, teens, and adults.

*Merlyn Productions* was founded by Artistic Director John Chase, who began producing local theatre in 1997. 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 *Winnipeg Theatre School* became part of the organisation in 2011. With the motto that "*some companies use professionals — we create them*", its 38-year-old brand came from *Fantasy Theatre for Children and The Theatre School*, to continue in FTC's tradition of quality training for all ages.

The company performs at the Forrest Nickerson Theatre inside 285 Pembina as its mainstage venue throughout the regular season.