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## **PRESS RELEASE: SNOW WHITE LIVE FOR SPRING BREAK!**

Merlyn Productions Theatre Company will present **"SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS"** as a children's theatre special for Spring Break, March 24 to 28 at the Forrest Nickerson Theatre (285 Pembina Hwy).

*"For over 30 years, countless children have enjoyed this enchanting play, filled with humour and audience participation!"*

*"This faithful rendition of the classic fairy tale is told with only three performers: featuring Snow White, the wicked Queen, and a storyteller who becomes the Magic Mirror, the Huntsman, and the Prince, among others."*



*"Every young audience member becomes involved in the action – some lucky children get invited onstage as dwarfs – and you can meet the characters after a happy ending!"*

Geared for ages 3 and up, this unique adaptation by MAURICE BERGER runs approximately 50 minutes.

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 nine years.

Featured in the all-local cast are CORA FAST of Grunthal, Manitoba assuming the title role of Snow White, HEATHER FORGIE reprising the part of the wicked Queen, and DANIEL GILMOUR returning as the "story teller" who portrays five key characters.

Stage managed by HOPE FIGUEROA, with the original scenic design from FANTASY THEATRE FOR CHILDREN and an updated lighting design by DARRYL AUDETTE.

**TITLE:** SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS  
**VENUE:** Forrest Nickerson Theatre – 285 Pembina Hwy (South of Confusion Corner)  
**SHOW TIMES:** Friday, March 24 at 7:00 PM \* Saturday, March 25 & Sunday March 26 at 1:30 PM  
Monday, March 27 at 10:30 AM & 1:30 PM \* Tuesday, March 28 at 1:30 PM  
**TICKETS:** General Admission - \$12 / Children (12 & under) - \$10  
Group rates available for 10 or more.  
**RESERVATIONS:** Online at MERLYN.BIZ or by phone at 204-415-2714

**Interviews and comps for contest give-away are available upon request.**

For further information, please contact Merlyn Productions at 204-415-2714 or info@merlyn.biz.

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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. Each year, the theatre company presents a full season of stage plays for both general & young audiences, while the theatre school offers acting classes for ages 10 to 55.

*Merlyn Productions* was founded by Artistic Director John Chase as the successor to *C.G. Productions*, which staged plays from 1997 to 1999. 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 35-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 is producing its ninth consecutive season of plays for 2017, and performs at the Forrest Nickerson Theatre inside 285 Pembina as its mainstage venue.