

5-Play Subscription

Season 73



Southern Hospitality

By Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope & Jamie Wooten

September 10-26, 2010

The small town of Fayro, Texas, is headed toward extinction unless the Futrelle sisters can throw together a huge festival in just four days to impress a salsa manufacturer looking to relocate. They've promised a pet costume parade, beauty pageant and craft show, but the biggest hurdle will be pulling off a Civil War battle re-enactment with just 15 participants. "Comic genius!"—*The News-Dispatch*, Michigan City, IN

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Don't Cry for Me, Margaret Mitchell

By V. Cate & Duke Ernsberger

October 15-31, 2010

In this historically based comedy, Hollywood producer David O. Selznick, screenwriter Ben Hecht and director Victor Fleming are sequestered, eating only bananas and peanuts, to completely rewrite the screenplay for *Gone With the Wind*. Margaret Mitchell took 10 years to write the book, which Hecht has never read, and they've only got a week! "(This) could easily pass for one of Neil Simon's best plays."—*Bristol Herald Courier* (VA)

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Don't Hug Me

Book & Lyrics by Phil Olson, Music by Paul Olson

January 21-February 6, 2011

Fargo meets *The Music Man* (without the blood or trombones) when a slick karaoke salesman arrives in Bunyan Bay, Minnesota, on the coldest day of the year and turns the locals' lives upside down. You'll be laughing until the spring thaw at the crazy characters and over-the-top songs, like "I'm a Walleye Woman in a Crappie Town." "A hokey jokey karaoke crowd pleaser!"—*Los Angeles Times*

Bull in a China Shop

By C. B. Gilford

April 1-17, 2011

Featured on TV's *Alfred Hitchcock Presents*, this tongue-in-cheek comedy-mystery has a houseful of slightly daft spinster ladies smitten with their handsome bachelor neighbor, a homicide detective. When peering at him through binoculars is no longer enough, they decide to lure him across the street by murdering one of their own. "An enchanting serving of tea and murder, ala *Arsenic and Old Lace*."—*Scripps Newspaper Group Online*

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels

Book by Jeffrey Lane, Music & Lyrics by David Yazbek

May 13-29, 2011

A popular film gave birth to this Broadway hit, winner of seven Tony Awards. Two con men on the French Riviera find the place isn't big enough for both of them. Suave Brit Lawrence and crass American Freddy agree to compete for the fortunes of a seemingly naïve soap heiress: the first one to "clean her out" wins and the other clears out. "An enjoyable old-fashioned book musical that's intentionally low-brow—but with style."—*CurtainUp*

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The Andrews Brothers

By Roger Bean

July 16-25, 2010

Three brothers working as stagehands for the USO in the South Seas during WWII find themselves filling in for the ailing Andrews Sisters. With the help of a backup singer/pinup girl, they give a rousing concert in full drag for the troops. "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," "Slow Boat to China" and "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree" are some of the favorites in this tribute. "As cheery as an MGM musical."—*BroadwayWorld.com*

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Miracle on 34th Street

Adapted by Will Severin, Patricia Di Benedetto Snyder & John Vreeke from the novel by Valentine Davies

December 10-19, 2010

True to the beloved 1947 family film, the story begins the morning of Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade when Doris Walker fires the store's Santa and must replace him immediately. She hires a white-bearded gentleman named Kris Kringle, who turns out to be the best Santa ever! That doesn't surprise Kris, as he claims to be the real deal. Is he insane? "The play bustles from scene to scene with holiday good cheer."—*Metroland*

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Treasure Island

By Robert Louis Stevenson, Adapted by Ken Ludwig

March 4-13, 2011

In the year 1775, Jim Hawkins, a boy of 14, and his widowed mother are running an inn when secretive pirate Billy Bones shows up, entrusting Jim with a mysterious map that will lead him on the high seas voyage of a lifetime. This new adaptation has all the swashbuckling excitement and unforgettable characters—Israel Hands, Anne Bonney, Blind Pew, Long John Silver—of the classic adventure novel. "Five stars!"—*London Telegraph*

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