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**METROPOLIS TAKES A MAGICAL, MUSICAL JOURNEY  
INTO THE WOODS**

**Arlington Heights, Ill., August 10, 2017** – Metropolis presents the Tony Award-winning musical *Into the Woods* September 21 – November 4, 2017.

One of Stephen Sondheim's most beloved musicals, this dark comedy features classic Brothers Grimm characters along with the Baker and his wife who wish "more than anything" for a child. Cursed by the Witch, they journey to break the spell and along the way find other fairytale characters with wishes of their own. Cinderella, who wishes to attend the king's festival, Jack, who wishes his cow would give milk, Rapunzel, who wishes to see the world, and others learn to be careful what they wish for, as fate has two ways of crashing their dreams: by refusing wishes and by granting them.

Resident Director Robin M. Hughes of Grayslake is working with an extraordinarily talented cast, including local cast members Ana Marie Alvarez of Morton Grove, Kent Joseph of Harwood Heights, Benjamin Klein of Wheaton, and Anna Segatti of Lombard.

Preview performances of *Into the Woods* at Metropolis are September 21-24, 2017. Regular run performances are September 28 – November 4, 2017. Specific dates and times are listed below. Tickets are \$35 for previews and \$40 for regular run shows and can be purchased online at [MetropolisArts.com](http://MetropolisArts.com) or by calling the Box Office at 847.577.2121.

Metropolis' cast for *Into the Woods* includes **Ana Maria Alvarez** (*Jack's Mother*), **Nicole Arnold** (*Cinderella*), **Kelsey Burd** (*Witch*), **Kim Green** (*Rapunzel*), **Michelle Hackman** (*Cinderella's Mother/Granny/ Giant*), **Alexander Johnson** (*Cinderella's Prince/Wolf*), **Kent Joseph** (*Cinderella's Father*), **Benjamin Klein** (*Rapunzel's Prince*), **Allyssa O'Donnell** (*Lucinda*), **Shane Roberie** (*Steward*), **Kara Schoenhofer** (*Cinderella's Stepmother*), **Anna Segatti** (*Little Red Ridinghood*), **Kate Staiger** (*Baker's Wife*), **Ryan Stajmiger** (*Baker*), **Ron Turner** (*Narrator/Mysterious Man*), **Ethan Warren** (*Jack*), and **Marissa Williams** (*Florinda*). Understudies include **Kim Buck**, **Anna Dvorchak**, **Michelle Hackman**, **Ryan Hamman**, **Kent Joseph**, **Allyssa O'Donnell**, **Shane Roberie**, and **Marissa Williams**.

*Into the Woods* has music & lyrics by **Stephen Sondheim**, with a book by **James Lapine**. Directed by **Robin M. Hughes**, music directed by **Ken McMullen**, choreographed by **Jennifer Cupani**. Designers are **Adam Liston** (*Scenic Designer*), **Chelsea Lynn** (*Lighting Designer*), **Marc Beth** (*Sound Designer*), **Rachel S. Parent** (*Costume Designer*), and **Rachelle "Rocky" Kolecke** (*Properties Designer*). Metropolis Executive/Artistic Director is **Joe Keefe**. Metropolis Production Manager is **William A. Franz**, Assistant Production Manager is **Sara Elizabeth Buto**.

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*Into the Woods* is the first show of the 2017-2018 Main Stage Subscription Series at Metropolis, bringing first class entertainment to the northwest suburbs. Other upcoming shows in the Subscription Series at Metropolis include the hysterical farce *Boeing Boeing* (February 1 – March 17, 2018), Tony Award-winning musical comedy *Avenue Q* (May 17 – June 30, 2018), and the colorful decade revue *Beehive: The 60's Musical* (July 12 – August 25, 2018).

Become a Subscriber and see all 4 shows and save over 30% off the single ticket price (\$27.50 per show), or choose Flex and select 3 shows and save 25% or more from the single ticket price (\$30.00 per show).

Supporting sponsors for *Into the Woods* are Peggy Kinnane's Irish Restaurant & Pub and FastSigns of Arlington Heights; Costume Sponsor is Lynn & Doug Steffen. Metropolis thanks its media partner Tribune Media Group. Metropolis is partially supported by grants from the Illinois Arts Council Agency, Ecolab Foundation, and the Aileen S. Andrew Foundation.

Metropolis is located in the heart of Chicago's northwest suburbs in downtown Arlington Heights at the intersection of Campbell and Vail Avenue (111 West Campbell Street). Street parking is available. Free parking is available in the public garage behind the theatre. For more information about Metropolis and a complete performance schedule, visit **MetropolisArts.com** or call the Box Office at 847.577.2121.

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Thursday, September 21, 2017	7:30 P.M.	Saturday, October 14, 2017	3:00 & 7:30 P.M.
Friday, September 22, 2017	7:30 P.M.	Sunday, October 15, 2017	3:00 P.M.
Saturday, September 23, 2017	3:00 & 7:30 P.M.	Thursday, October 19, 2017	7:30 P.M.
Sunday, September 24, 2017	3:00 P.M.	Friday, October 20, 2017	7:30 P.M.
Thursday, September 28, 2017	7:30 P.M.	Saturday, October 21, 2017	3:00 & 7:30 P.M.
Friday, September 29, 2017	7:30 P.M.	Sunday, October 22, 2017	3:00 P.M.
Saturday, September 30, 2017	3:00 & 7:30 P.M.	Thursday, October 26, 2017	7:30 P.M.
Sunday, October 1, 2017	3:00 P.M.	Friday, October 27, 2017	7:30 P.M.
Thursday, October 5, 2017	7:30 P.M.	Saturday, October 28, 2017	3:00 & 7:30 P.M.
Friday, October 6, 2017	7:30 P.M.	Sunday, October 29, 2017	3:00 P.M.
Saturday, October 7, 2017	3:00 & 7:30 P.M.	Thursday, November 2, 2017	7:30 P.M.
Sunday, October 8, 2017	3:00 P.M.	Friday, November 3, 2017	7:30 P.M.
Thursday, October 12, 2017	7:30 P.M.	Saturday, November 4, 2017	3:00 & 7:30 P.M.
Friday, October 13, 2017	7:30 P.M.		

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