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METROPOLIS SCHOOL OF THE PERFORMING ARTS
STUDENTS PRESENT *GETTING TO KNOW... ONCE UPON A MATTRESS*

Arlington Heights, Ill., September 27, 2017 – Students of Metropolis School of the Performing Arts (SOPA) bring fairytale classic *Getting to Know... Once Upon a Mattress* to life at Metropolis Performing Arts Centre November 9-11, 2017.

A clever spin on The Princess and the Pea fairytale, this musical is brimming with memorable songs and loads of humor. Queen Aggravain will allow no one in the kingdom to marry until her son Prince Dauntless is wed. Desperate to marry his own love, Sir Harry ventures out to find a true princess that the Queen will approve of. Harry finds an unlikely candidate in swamp princess Winnifred, but can Winnifred pass the Queen's impossible test? *Recommended for grades 3-8.*

Getting to Know... Once Upon a Mattress will run November 9 and November 10 at 10 A.M. and 6 P.M. and November 11 at 1 P.M. Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under, and can be purchased online at MetropolisArts.com or by calling the Box Office at 847.577.2121.

Getting to Know... Once Upon a Mattress has music by **Mary Rodgers**, lyrics by **Marshall Barer**, and book by **Jay Thompson, Dean Fuller** and **Marshall Barer**. Directed and Music Directed by **Nathan W. Brown**, Choreographed by **Allyssa O'Donnell**. Designers are **Katie Alvord-Wendling** (*Scenic Designer*), **Abi Leveille** (*Properties Designer*), **Rachel Parent** (*Costume Designer*), **Finlay Ross** (*Sound Designer*), and **Michael Wagner** (*Lighting Designer*). School of the Performing Arts Production Manager is **Maggie Neumayer**.

Getting to Know... Once Upon a Mattress is a part of the School of the Performing Arts Series at Metropolis, that showcases students' work with performances on the Metropolis stage. More School of the Performing Arts shows this season include *Hood*, performing arts showcases, concerts and recitals.

Supporting sponsor of *Getting to Know... Once Upon a Mattress* is Jennifer Burnidge, CLU, CHFC - State Farm. Metropolis thanks its media partner Tribune Media Group. Metropolis is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

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 to get a list of upcoming performances, visit **MetropolisArts.com** or call the Box Office at 847.577.2121.

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