



KITSAP FOREST THEATER

THEATER INSPIRED BY A MAGICAL PLACE

The Mountaineers Players present

Bend in the Road, The Anne of Green Gables Musical

at the magical Kitsap Forest Theater in Bremerton

July 30, 31 August 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21; 2022 – 2:00 pm

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BREMERTON, WA – The Mountaineers Players continue their tradition of outdoor theater at the magical Kitsap Forest Theater with the Northwest premier of *Bend in the Road, The Anne of Green Gables Musical*. For four weekends in the summer of 2021 (Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 pm) this popular show will come alive on our forest stage. Both residents of the Kitsap Peninsula and visitors from Seattle and beyond will delight in this heartwarming production at the beautiful Kitsap Forest Theater, located just west of Bremerton.

A quarter-mile trail transports visitors to another time and place where stories for all ages have come to life since 1923. Generations of theatergoers have enjoyed the scenic drive or ferry ride to the theater, and often come early to picnic under the firs before the trail to the theater opens at 1:00 pm. Enjoy our treehouse play structure or hike to Big Tree before or after the show.

“The music, the plays, and the great natural theater in the woods is a special part of our family’s favorite memories! We look forward to each new season!” *Karen G., long time audience member*

“The old growth setting is so beautiful – the trail down to the amphitheater is worth the price of admission.”
Kristie, 1st time audience member

Bend in the Road, The Anne of Green Gables Musical: The Northwest premier of this high-energy, brand new family musical (postponed from 2020) is based on the beloved classic novel, “Anne of Green Gables”, by Lucy Maud Montgomery with book and lyrics by Benita Scheckel and music and lyrics by Michael Upward. Anne Shirley, an orphan, is mistakenly adopted by siblings Marilla and Matthew Cuthbert to help them on their Avonlea farm. Anne’s intelligent, joyous and imaginative ways change the lives of all those around her.

Bend in the Road’s themes of finding a home, being an intelligent and independent woman, using the power of imagination and growing up resonate with audiences from all walks of life. “The songs offer that kind of welcome simplicity and optimism that serve the storytelling well.” “The authors have captured the key plot elements, and more importantly, have retained the heart of this most emotionally rewarding of stories.”

Bend in the Road: The Anne of Green Gables Musical (the title refers to changes one must face in life) is a warm, funny and savvy musical adaptation of one of the most beloved stories in literature, perfect for the whole family.

About Kitsap Forest Theater: A treasured family tradition in the greater Seattle arts community since 1923, The Mountaineers Players continues to bring Puget Sound audiences quality outdoor theater under the conifer canopy of its Kitsap Forest Theater every spring and summer. One of the oldest nonprofit theater groups in the country, the Players troupe performs in the midst of the 460-acre Rhododendron Preserve near Bremerton. Giant fir trees surround terraced seating – carved from the side of a natural amphitheater – while verdant ferns serve as the “footlights” for the performance stage.

**Publicity photos, ticket information and directions available on our website.
Two complimentary tickets available to members of the news media.**

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