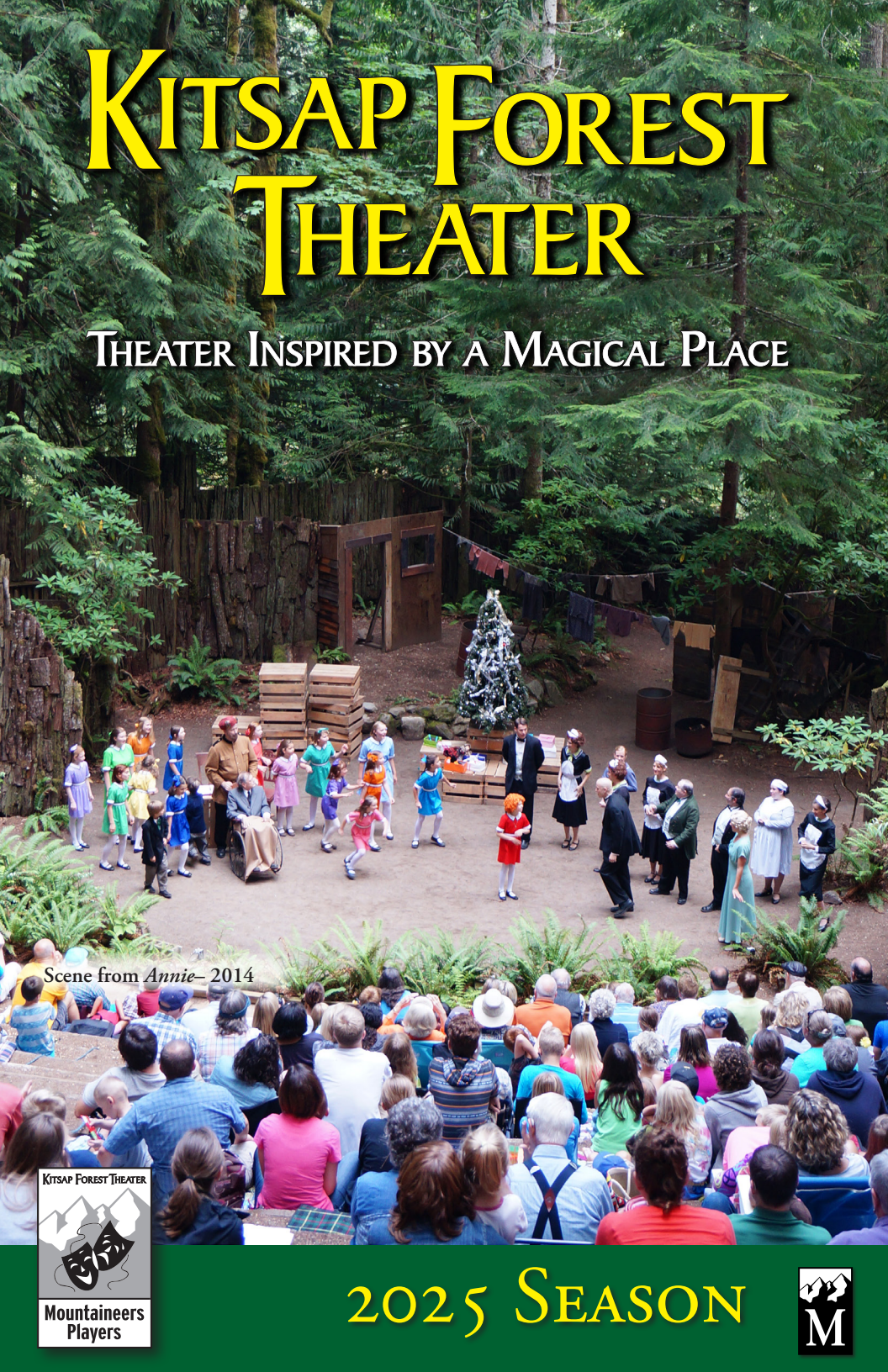


KITSAP FOREST THEATER

THEATER INSPIRED BY A MAGICAL PLACE



Scene from *Annie*— 2014

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Mountaineers
Players

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All ages delight in this fun and unique Northwest experience located 15 minutes from the Bremerton ferry. Enjoy a daycation with friends & family: picnic, hike to 'Big Tree', explore, play, and imagine while enjoying our shows!



Join us for a grand adventure as you stroll down the forest trail to our unique and breathtaking theater. Buy season tickets and save! Tickets and "Know before you Go" play guide at

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HISTORY OF THE MOUNTAINEERS PLAYERS/KITSAP FOREST THEATER

You may be wondering what a drama troupe has to do with The Mountaineers. The answer is three-fold: getting lost, friendship/community and our magical space. In the spring of 1909 a group of 66 Mountaineers were bushwhacking through narrow deer trails in search of blooming rhododendrons at Wildcat Lake.

Instead of the lake they found the Paschall family at beautiful Hidden Valley. The Paschalls and Mountaineers enjoyed each other's company and The Mountaineers began to make Hidden Valley a regular destination. Edward Paschell and his two daughters, Mary and Patience, became an influential part of The Mountaineers. Edward worked with Mountaineers members like Peter McGregor to initiate the conservation of what has now become the 460-acre Rhododendron Preserve. Mary and Patience attended multiple summer outings where impromptu plays were the highlight of the evening. These early staged performances led to the formation of The Mountaineers Players.

The first official play was a musical pantomime of *Robin of Sherwood* in June 1923 – performed in the woods going from glade to glade with the audience following along. Realizing the need for a permanent theater, Bill Darling and volunteers built the outdoor amphitheater in 1925-1926.

The early preservation of this land created some of the most pristine natural habitat in Puget Sound. The Players are one of the oldest activities of The Mountaineers, and succeed in getting all ages outside to enjoy the wonderful Pacific Northwest. We invite you to join us as we celebrate 100+ years of outdoor theater!

MAY 25, 26, 31, JUNE 1, 7, 8, 14 15 • 2:00 PM

SPRING



Book by THOMAS MEEHAN • Music by CHARLES STRONG • Lyrics by MARTIN CHAMBERLAIN

Leapin' Lizards! The irrepressible comic strip heroine takes center stage in this well-loved musical. Featuring some of the greatest musical hits ever, including *Tomorrow*. *Annie* is the perfect family-friendly musical and will delight all ages!

JULY 26, 27 • AUGUST 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17 • 2:00 PM

SUMMER

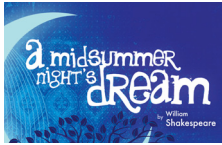


A Father's Story • A Son's Journey • A Life Epic Adventure

Based on the novel & movie, *Big Fish* is a heartfelt, magical musical about fathers, sons, and the stories we use to define us. It's a magnificent tale – spectacular, whimsical & overflowing with love & a tribute to the power of dreaming big.

SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21 • 2:00 PM

FALL



A Midsummer Night's Dream (Set in 1960s Appalachia with original music and dance inspired by the time period) is a timeless delight that captivates audiences with its lighthearted tone, witty dialogue, and enchanting blend of magic and mayhem.

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