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Studio East & StoryBook Theater Launch New Seasons With Old Classics

Oliver! **October 12 – 28, 2018 – Kirkland** (best for ages 8+)

3 Pigs **October 20 – November 18, 2018 – Renton, Bellevue, Kirkland, Everett, Shoreline, Fremont** (best for ages 3+)

KIRKLAND, WA– Studio East and **StoryBook Theater** are beginning their new seasons with two fall shows sure to delight a variety of theater goers. The youngest audiences and their parents will enjoy StoryBook Theater's 55-minute version of the classic fairytale, **3 Pigs**. For older audiences, Studio East presents the beloved Charles Dickens tale, ***Oliver!***

With adaptations from Lani Brockman and music & lyrics from Susan Bardsley, StoryBook Theater has captivated audiences for over two decades. In October, they are excited to bring back an old favorite, *3 Pigs*, based on the well-known fable of the three little pigs. This zany rendition includes a singing wolf, hilarious dancing pigs, and a valuable life lesson of working together.

Tickets to **3 Pigs** are \$15 (including service fees) and can be purchased at www.storybooktheater.org or (425) 820-1800. Kirkland performances can be purchased at kpcenter.org or (425) 893-9900. The local, professional cast will perform at the following venues:

Renton Carco Theatre: Saturday, Oct 20 @ 11am, Sunday, Oct 21 @ 11am, 1pm, & 3pm

Kirkland Performance Center: Saturday, Oct 27 @ 11am, 1pm & 3pm, Oct 28* @ 11am, 1pm & 3pm, Nov 3 @ 11am, 1pm (Single tickets for Kirkland shows are only available from KPCenter.org.) *October 28th performances are ASL Interpreted for the Deaf

Hales Palladium in Seattle-Fremont: Sunday, Nov 4 @ 11am, 1pm & 3pm

Shoreline Conference Center: Saturday, Nov 10 @ 11am

Everett PUD Auditorium: Sunday, Nov 18 @ 11am, 1pm

Sensory-friendly shows will be Oct 20 @ 1:30pm (Renton), Nov 3 @ 3:30pm (Kirkland), Nov 10 @ 1:30pm (Shoreline) and Nov 18 @ 3:30pm (Everett).

Studio East is excited to begin their 26th season with the hit musical, ***Oliver!*** This musical from Lionel Bart takes audiences on a wild adventure through Victorian England. Bounced from workhouse to forced labor, Oliver Twist escapes to the streets where he meets Fagin, the Artful Dodger, and a band of child pickpockets. With a Tony Award for Best Original Score, this musical features favorite songs such as "Food Glorious Food," "Consider Yourself" and "Where Is Love." Studio East students ages 8-19 will perform this musical.

The show is recommended for ages 8+ and has a running time of approximately 2 hours with intermission. Adult tickets are \$19, while students and seniors are \$17, and they can be purchased at www.studio-east.org or (425) 820-1800. All performances are at the Studio East Mainstage Theater located at 11730 118th Ave NE in Kirkland. Performances run October 12 – October 28, 2018, with the following show times:

Friday, October 12 @ 7:30pm (GALA at 6:30pm)

Saturday, October 13 @ 7:30pm (GALA at 6:30pm)

Friday, October 19 @ 7:30pm

Saturday, October 20 @ 2:30 & 7:30pm

Sunday, October 21 @ 2:30pm

Friday, October 26 @ 7:30pm

Saturday, October 27 @ 2:30pm & 7:30pm

Sunday, October 28 @ 2:30pm

About Studio East and StoryBook Theater

Studio East Training for the Performing Arts was founded in 1992 to provide theater arts education for young people on the Eastside. It was founded on the belief that through the performing arts children can build confidence, and acquire leadership and teamwork skills while learning discipline, dedication and responsibility. Starting with one theater program for teens, Studio East has become one of the largest children's theater training programs in the Seattle area. Studio East also produces StoryBook Theater, an adult professional touring troupe that introduces young children to live theater at venues throughout the Puget Sound area.

Today, Studio East serves over 70,000 people annually with a comprehensive program of drama classes, theater arts camps, Mainstage productions and live performances for children from ages 3 through 19.