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LIFELINE THEATRE ANNOUNCES ACCESSIBLE PERFORMANCES

Audio described, open captioned, and sensory friendly performance dates announced for 2015-16

CHICAGO – Continuing its commitment to making its *Big Stories, Up Close* available to as many people as possible, Lifeline Theatre announces its accessibility services and special performances for the 2015-16 season:

Services for people who are blind or have low vision

- Curb-to-seat assistance on request
- Large print and audio format programs on request
- Touch tours and audio-described performances for selected dates:

MainStage Productions

Miss Buncle's Book

Saturday, October 10, 2015 2:30 p.m. touch tour, 4 p.m. performance

Midnight Cowboy

Saturday, March 19, 2016 2:30 p.m. touch tour, 4 p.m. performance

Northanger Abbey

Saturday, June 25, 2016 2:30 p.m. touch tour, 4 p.m. performance

KidSeries Productions

Mr. Popper's Penguins

Saturday, November 7, 2015 10 a.m. touch tour, 11 a.m. performance

Sparky!

Saturday, February 13, 2016 10 a.m. touch tour, 11 a.m. performance

Lester's Dreadful Sweaters

Saturday, March 26, 2016 10 a.m. touch tour, 11 a.m. performance

Services for people who are deaf or hard-of-hearing

- Complimentary assistive listening devices on request
- Open-captioned performances for selected dates:

MainStage Productions

Miss Buncle's Book: Sunday, September 27, 2015 at 4 p.m.

Midnight Cowboy: Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 4 p.m.

Northanger Abbey: Saturday, June 11, 2016 at 4 p.m.

KidSeries Productions

Mr. Popper's Penguins: Saturday, November 14, 2015 at 1 p.m.

Sparky!: Saturday, January 23, 2016 at 1 p.m.

Lester's Dreadful Sweaters: Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 1 p.m.

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Services for people with social and cognitive disabilities

- Relaxed/sensory-friendly performances for selected dates:

KidSeries Productions

Mr. Popper's Penguins: Saturday, November 21, 2015 at 3 p.m.

Sparky!: Sunday, February 7, 2016 at 3 p.m.

Lester's Dreadful Sweaters: Sunday, April 17, 2016 at 3 p.m.

Services for people with mobility disabilities

- Wheelchair accessible seating and seats without stairs in our theatre
- Wheelchair accessible restrooms in our lobby
- An accessible parking space in front of the theatre, available on request

Patrons wishing to make reservations for any special performance or take advantage of any accessibility service may contact Accessibility Coordinator Erica Foster directly at 773-761-4477 x703 or access@lifelinetheatre.com, or in person at the Lifeline Box Office (6912 N. Glenwood Ave.) Monday–Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Now in its 33rd season, Lifeline Theatre is driven by a passion for story. Our ensemble process supports writers in the development of literary adaptations and new work, and our theatrical and educational programs foster a lifelong engagement with literature and the arts. A cultural anchor of Rogers Park, we are committed to deepening our connection to an ever-growing family of artists and audiences, both near and far. Lifeline Theatre – Big Stories, Up Close.

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