



News Release
Virginia Repertory Theatre

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Virginia Repertory Theatre Presents
The Emperor's New Clothes

Richmond, VA -- Virginia Repertory Theatre presents its fall Children's show, **The Emperor's New Clothes**, running from Oct 20 - Nov 12. The musical is based on the original story by Hans Christian Andersen, and was adapted by Richard Giersch with music by Jason Marks, who is also the musical director. Jan Guarino will direct.

The musical is most appreciated by children ages 4-10, and will be presented in the Jessie Bogese Theatre at Virginia Rep Center for Arts and Education. The theatre is located at 4204 Hermitage Rd. in the Bellevue area, in the former Scottish Rite Temple which Virginia Rep bought in the fall of 2022. The theatre holds 650 people so bring the whole family.

The classic fable is brought to life in this Hans Christian Andersen story of greed and privilege. When it comes to fashion and... well, everything... this emperor knows it all, or so he thinks. The emperor has decreed that color and music are banned from the kingdom and are only allowed in his castle. Two charlatans persuade the emperor that they have the world's most exquisite fabric. The emperor pays the "tailors" a fortune for his new clothes, but when he parades through town in his new wardrobe, a good-hearted, honest child shouts out what everyone else is thinking!

Subscriptions are available for the entire Children's Season, including ***The Santa Clues***, ***Chasing George Washington: A White House Adventure***, ***Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed***, ***The Rock Experience*** and ***Dragons Love Tacos***.

The cast includes:

Ian Page	Emperor
Corey Powell	Greysuede (Understudy Emperor)
Destin Scott	Flannel
Sawyer Fitch	Flannel
Audrey Snyder	Mrs. Flanagan
Clarence Ilanan	Mr. Broadcloth
Chandler Pettus	Silk
Hannah Chester	Cashmere
Emma Robinson	Ensemble 1 (Understudy Mrs. Flanagan/Cashmere)
Joey Gravins	Ensemble 2 (Understudy Greysuede/Mr. Broadcloth)
Erin Chaves	Ensemble 3 (Understudy Silk)

Direction & Design

Direction	Jan Guarino
Music Direction	Jason Marks
Original Scenic Design	Terrie Powers
Scenic Design Adaptation	Mercedes Schaum
Lighting Design	Steve Koehler
Costume Design	Co-Designers Sue Griffin and Marcia Haley
Stage Management	Hannah Hoffert

Ticket Information

Box Office: 804-282-2620 or www.virginiarep.org

Full Price Tickets: \$21, Discounted Group Rates and Rush tickets available.

Run Time: 60 minutes

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About Virginia Repertory Theatre

Virginia Repertory Theatre is a regional professional theater headquartered in downtown Richmond, and is one of the largest performing arts organizations in Central Virginia. Virginia Rep stages three primary seasons – the Signature Season at the Sara Belle and Neil November Theatre, the Barksdale Season at Hanover Tavern and the Children’s Season at Virginia Rep

Center for Arts and Education. Virginia Rep also tours children's shows, both virtual and live, and provides educational programming to schools throughout Virginia and to major performing arts centers throughout 32 states.

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