



News Release
Virginia Repertory Theatre

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Virginia Repertory Theatre Presents
She Persisted, The Musical

Richmond, VA -- Virginia Repertory Theatre presents the Children's show ***She Persisted, The Musical*** from Feb. 17 – March 12, 2023 in the Jessica M. Bogese Theatre at the new Virginia Rep Center for Arts and Education. ***She Persisted, The Musical*** is a trailblazing, Theatre for Young Audiences new musical, based on the best-selling children's book written by Chelsea Clinton and beautifully illustrated by Alexandra Boiger. The script and lyrics are by Adam Tobin, with music by Deborah Wicks La Puma.

Fourth-grader Naomi's field trip to a Women's History Museum turns into a time travel adventure where she encounters inspirational women who have overcome barriers and made waves throughout U.S. history. From activists to athletes, artists and more, the musical features the stories of female trailblazers Harriet Tubman, Virginia Apgar, Ruby Bridges, Sally Ride, Florence Griffith Joyner, and Sonia Sotomayor.

This musical is most appropriate for ages 5 and up.

[The full artistic/production team and cast list is below:](#)

Direction & Design

Direction	Desiree Dabney
Music Direction	Billy Dye
Scenic Design	Mercedes Schaum
Lighting Design	Matthew Landwehr
Costume Design	Sue Griffin, Marcia Halley
Stage Management	Hannah Hoffert

Cast

Naomi	Khadijah Franks
Time/Ms. Chan	Amber Fe Armstrong
Sonia Sotomayor/Juno	Amber Marie Martinez
Harriet Tubman/Florence Griffith Joyner	Jianna Hurt
Dr. Virginia Apgar/Sally Ride	Emily Dandridge
Ruby Bridges/Bailey	Florence Babtunde
Understudy	Tia-Monet Flores

Ticket Information

Box Office: 804-282-2620

www.virginiarep.org

Full Price Tickets: \$21

Discounted Group Rates and Rush tickets available.

Run Time: 60 minutes

Press

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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 will stage three primary seasons in 2022-2023 – 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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