



News Release
Virginia Repertory Theatre

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Virginia Repertory Theatre Presents
Chasing George Washington: A White House Adventure

Richmond, VA -- Virginia Repertory Theatre presents its next Family Season show, ***Chasing George Washington: A White House Adventure*** from Feb 9 – March 3 in the Jessie Bogese Theatre at Virginia Rep Center for Arts and Education, 4202 Hermitage Road. Written by Karen Zacarías with the young playwrights of Young Playwright's Theater, the show's music is by Deborah Wicks LaPuma. This show, which was commissioned by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and the White House Historical Association, is most appreciated by children ages seven to 13 and their grownups.

Field trips are fun, especially when your destination is 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue! In this charming and exciting musical, Dee, José and Annie accidentally knock George Washington out of his portrait and into real life—turning their White House tour into an unexpected adventure. As they try to get the nation's first president back into his painting, the threesome encounters Jacqueline Kennedy; Abraham Lincoln and his wife, Mary Todd; Dolley Madison; and other famous White House residents. Together, they learn that the White House isn't just a historic building—it's also a home.

The Jessie Bogese Theatre is located in the Bellevue area, in the former Scottish Rite Temple which Virginia Rep bought in the fall of 2022.

The cast includes:

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| Dee | Jaden Floyd |
| George Washington | Gordon Graham |
| Woman | Ariela Press |
| Man | Liam Riley |
| Annie | Emma Robinson |

José
Swing - José, Man
Swing - Woman, Annie, Dee

Dantes Son
Kai Avila
Ari Silva

Direction & Design

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| Direction | Amber Martinez |
| Music Direction | Elle Merovich |
| Choreography | Emily Dandridge |
| Scenic Design | Mercedes Schaum |
| Lighting Design | Matt Landwehr |
| Projection Design | Will Fisher |
| Costume Design | Nia Banks |
| Stage Management | Laura Swygart |

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 four primary seasons – the Signature Season at the Sara Belle and Neil November Theatre, the Barksdale Season at Hanover Tavern, the Family Season at Virginia Rep Center for Arts and Education and a series of partner productions in the Theatre Gym. 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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