

STAGE RIGHT

Announces 10th Season at the Historic Crighton Theatre

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It is hard to believe but we have put together the lineup for our 10th season. We have named it appropriately enough: A Season of Triumph. 'Triumph' because when we started our theatre company back in 2008 there were so many factors against our success: the economy was tanking, there was already an established theatre company in Conroe (was Conroe able to support another?), and we couldn't afford to spend a lot on advertising because we needed the precious few funds we did have to spend on production costs. With the support of many in the community, especially our friends at Dock Line Magazine, we persevered. We did have some lean times. We didn't turn a profit on a show until our production of *Annie* in 2010, then, we were off and flying. STAGE RIGHT now holds the record at the Crighton for the highest attended and highest grossing show to have ever appeared there since it became a live performance venue. We staged a world premiere production of one of the three most produced playwrights in the country (Jones, Hope & Wooten's *Mama Won't Fly*), and most importantly, we've been able to provide much needed income to the historic Crighton Theatre. Last year, STAGE RIGHT provided over \$100,000 to the Crighton in the form of rent, fees and an extra slice of our profit pie on our most attended shows. Additionally, with every show we've highlighted a need in the community and then thrown a spotlight on a non-profit organization that is trying to fill that need. Over the years we've collected food for the food bank, personal care items for the elderly, sent supplies to our military overseas, donated nearly \$2,000 to the Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation at the personal request of legend Carol Burnett, and last summer we collected over \$4,000 for Operation Pets Alive to support the spay and neuter efforts and sponsor a flight to transport animals to forever homes. We've accomplished a lot in our 9 seasons and are looking forward to a very bright future. We hope you will join us for our 10th Season of Triumph at the Crighton:

NOISES OFF

By Michael Frayn
Sept. 8-24, 2017

Touted as one of the funniest plays ever written, this play-within-a-play captures a touring theatre troupe's production of *Nothing On* in three stages: final dress rehearsal, an early performance, and a performance towards the end of a debilitating run. Frayn gives us a window into the inner workings of theatre behind the scenes, progressing from flubbed lines and missed cues in the dress rehearsal to mounting friction between cast members in the final performance. Brimming with slapstick comedy, *Noises Off* is a delightful backstage farce, complete with slamming doors, falling trousers, and flying sardines!



YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN - The Musical

Oct. 20 - Nov. 5,
2017

Book: Mel Brooks,
Thomas Meehan
Music: Mel Brooks
Lyrics: Mel Brooks

Based on the hilarious Mel Brooks film, Dr. Frankenstein aims to fulfill his grandfather's legacy by bringing a corpse back to life. With help and hindrance from servant Igor, buxom assistant Inga and needy fiancée Elizabeth, his experiment yields success and unexpected consequences. If you enjoyed our production of *The Producers*, you'll love *Young Frankenstein*.



A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS

Dec. 1-17, 2017
By Charles M.
Schultz

Based on the television special by Bill Melendez and Lee Mendelson
Stage adaptation by
Eric Schaeffer
By special arrangement with Arthur Whitelaw and Ruby Perrson



A stage adaptation of the beloved TV special *A Charlie Brown Christmas* brings the Peanuts gang together to help us all remember the true meaning of Christmas. With the original music from the TV special you'll want to bring the entire family to see this perennial classic vividly brought to life on stage.

HELLO DOLLY!

February 9 - 25,
2018

Book by Michael
Stewart
Music and Lyrics by
Jerry Herman
Based on the play
"The Matchmaker" by
Thornton Wilder

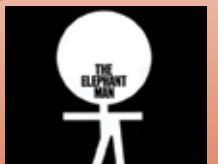


A blockbuster of the Broadway stage, HELLO, DOLLY! bursts with humor, romance, high-energy dancing, and some of the greatest songs in musical theater history. The romantic and comic exploits of matchmaker Dolly Gallagher-Levi are followed in turn of the century New York City as she sets out to marry wealthy yet miserly Horace Vandergelder. The show's memorable songs include "Put On Your Sunday Clothes," "Ribbons Down My Back," "Before the Parade Passes By," "Hello, Dolly!," "Elegance," and "It Only Takes a Moment."

THE ELEPHANT MAN

April 13 - 29, 2018
By Bernard
Pomeroy

A Tony Award-winning classic that is based on the real life of Joseph Merrick, an afflicted 19th century British man who became a star of the traveling freak show circuit. When the renowned Dr. Treves takes Merrick under his care at the London Hospital, he is astonished by Merrick's brilliant intelligence and unshakable faith. Treves introduces Merrick to the beautiful actress, Mrs. Kendall, who is struck by his loneliness and understanding. Soon all of Victorian high society becomes fascinated by Merrick.



But with Merrick's new life comes new complexity for all involved, and a "normal" existence begins to seem all but impossible.

WILLY WONKA

July 6 – 22, 2018

Music & Lyrics by Leslie Bricusse & Anthony Newley
Adapted for the stage by Anthony McDonald & Leslie Bricusse



Based on the book, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl

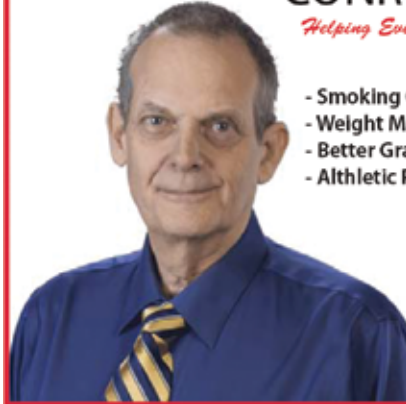
The delicious adventures experienced by Charlie Bucket on his visit to Willy Wonka's mysterious chocolate factory light up the stage in this captivating adaptation of Roald Dahl's fantastical tale. Featuring the enchanting songs from the 1971 film starring Gene Wilder and new songs by Leslie Bricusse (*Jekyll & Hyde*, *Doctor Dolittle*) and Anthony Newley, *Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka* is a scrumdilyumptious musical guaranteed to delight everyone's sweet tooth.

Season tickets will be on sale beginning in April and can be obtained by calling the Crighton box office at 936-441-7469. In addition to the many benefits of season subscription, with every season ticket purchased you also get 1 Friends Ticket. This lets you invite a friend to join you for a show for free! We hope you will consider joining us for our 10th season at the historic Crighton Theatre.

We have two shows left in our current Season of Fantasy. Up next running April 14-30 is the hilarious Jones Hope Wooten southern fried *Farce of Nature* where a Chicago gangster is in the witness protection program at a remote Arkansas fishing lodge. What could go wrong? Well, just about everything! After that we conclude our season in July with everyone's favorite nanny *Mary Poppins*. Come join Mary, Bert and the children of the Banks family for a jolly holiday as only Mary can provide. Sure to be a sellout, get your tickets today! Tickets to all STAGE RIGHT shows can be purchased online at www.stage-right.org or by calling the Crighton box office at 936-441-7469. ♦

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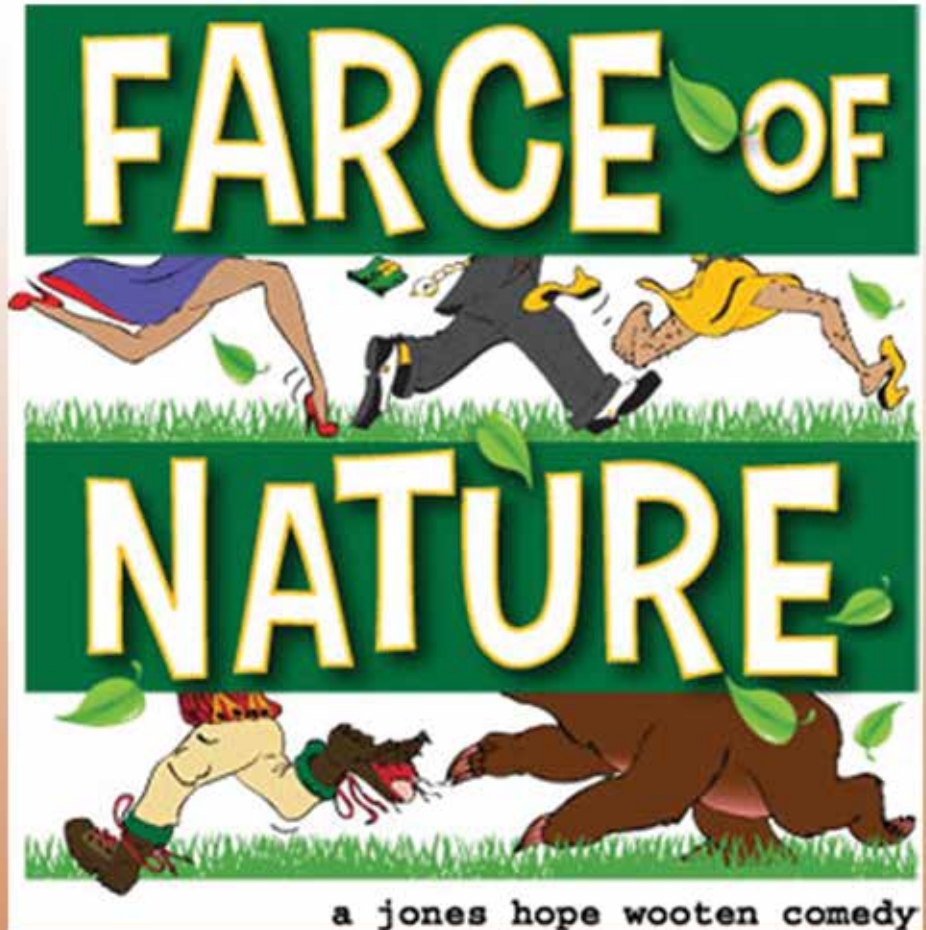
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At the historic Crighton Theatre
234 N. Main, downtown Conroe



a jones hope wooten comedy

A Chicago gangster in the witness protection program in the deep South.
What could go wrong?

by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope & Jamie Wooten

April 14 - 30, 2017

Fri. & Sat. 8pm and Sun. 4/23, 4/30 at 2 pm

By arrangement with Dramatists Play Service

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