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Stage Right Brings Rogers & Hammerstein's Romantic Classic *Cinderella* to the Historic the Crighton Theatre July 13-29



Louis A. Crespo, Jr. as Christopher and Kathleen Baker as Cinderella in Stage Right of Texas' production of the classic Rogers & Hammerstein musical, *Cinderella*.

Cinderella is coming to the historic Crighton Theatre on July 13-29. The last show of the Stage Right *Season of Enchantment* will feature dancing and singing in this classic tale put to music by Rodgers and Hammerstein. The most famous version of *Cinderella* (1957) featured Julie Andrews, which was viewed by 107 million viewers. Most people know the basic plot: Cinderella lives happily with her mother and father until her mother dies. Her father remarries a cold, cruel woman with two wicked sisters. When her father dies, Cinderella's stepmother turns her into a virtual servant in her own house.

Meanwhile, the King determines that his son the Prince should find a suitable bride. The King and Queen invite every eligible maiden in the kingdom to a fancy dress ball where their son will be able to choose his bride. Cinderella has no suitable dress for a ball, but Cinderella's Fairy Godmother comes to the rescue and fashions her fancy gown complete with glass slippers and a pumpkin carriage. You know the rest of the story, which ends with the phrase 'happily ever after.'

As a special added treat, there will be a tea party for theatre patrons after each matinee performance (July 22 & 29) for a nomi-

nal \$10 fee per child (reservations are being taken through the Crighton Box office 936-441-7469). Patrons (young and old) are encouraged to dress up and attend a party in honor of Cinderella. There will be drinks, sweets, and photo opportunities with Cinderella and her Prince.

The musical *Cinderella* has comedy, spirited dancing, and songs such as "In My Own Little Corner," "Impossible; It's Possible" and the lovely "Ten Minutes Ago" to make your heart sing. After all, 107 million people can't be wrong. This stage adaptation melds the warmth of the well-known fairy tale with a touch of comedy to create a show complete with charm and originality. Hearts of children and adults alike still soar when the slipper fits. Tickets to *Cinderella* can be obtained by calling the Crighton box office 936-441-SHOW (7469) or online at www.stage-right.org. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$17 for seniors and groups of 10 persons or more, and \$15 for children (under 16) and groups of 20 persons or more. The historic Crighton Theatre is located at 234 N. Main St. in downtown Conroe. Come to the Crighton, bring donations for Children's Safe Harbor and experience the magic of *Cinderella*!

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