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Charlotte's Web Will Be Woven at The Rose

Charlotte, Wilbur and the other farm animals will charm families from The Rose main stage, May 1-17. ***Charlotte's Web***, based on the classic story by E.B. White, captures the tale of friendship that children have fallen in love with over the years with larger-than-life creatures.

"*Charlotte's Web* is a fantastic story of finding out who you are through your true friendships," said Director Kevin Ehrhart. "There is something about the personification of animals that allows children to connect to the story about two 'persons' who become the best of friends in a much deeper way than they would otherwise."

The production is very true to the original book and children will be in awe as it comes to life on stage amidst Charlotte's giant web. From the stunning performances (by both actors and dancers); to the colorful set design, sound effects, video and lighting; to the impressive costumes, props and make-up, ***Charlotte's Web*** will have audiences completely immersed in Wilbur's experiences.

Charlotte's Web has been adapted for the stage by Joseph Robinette and is being produced by special arrangement with Dramatic Publishing, Woodstock, IL.

Charlotte's Web will be presented May 1-17 on The Rose main stage, 2001 Farnam Street with performances at 7 p.m. every Friday and Saturday, May 16; and 2 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday. A performance on Saturday, May 9 at 7 p.m. is reserved exclusively for families with a member diagnosed on the Autism Spectrum.

Tickets are \$16 each and may be purchased at The Rose Box Office, 2001 Farnam Street, by calling (402) 345-4849 or online at www.rosetheater.org. Rose family members receive four free

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tickets. Discount ticket vouchers are available at all Omaha/Council Bluffs area Hy-Vee Food Stores. ***Charlotte's Web*** is recommended for children ages 4 to 12.

The Rose's 2008/2009 season is sponsored by Children's Hospital & Medical Center. ***Charlotte's Web*** is sponsored by First National Bank, The Big O 101.9 and the Nebraska Arts Council.

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