



## Lake Washington High School Theatre

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**Lake Washington High School Theater presents Disney's *Beauty and the Beast***

***Meet the Cast and see the show at a special price for young theater patrons***

**(Kirkland, WA, April 10, 2018)** Lake Washington High School Theatre is proud to present Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* this spring. This show has been an international sensation, reaching across 13 countries and is coming to Kirkland! Based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature, the stage version includes all of the songs you remember from the animated film, along with new additions by Alan Menken and Tim Rice. The classic story tells the story of Belle, a young woman stuck in a poor provincial town, and the Beast, who is secretly a prince trapped under the spell of an evil enchantress. If the Beast can learn to love and be loved in return, he will be able to reverse the spell that has plagued him and his castle, returning him to the man he once was. But time is running out – if he can't learn, he and his household will be doomed for all eternity.

Children under aged 10 or younger who arrive in Disney Costume are invited to the Prince and Princess Matinee on May 12<sup>th</sup>! Grab your camera and meet Belle, The Beast, Gaston, and other cast members in person starting at 12:30! **Children 10 years and younger who are dressed as their favorite Disney character will receive a discounted ticket price of \$5 on this day only!** There will also be door prizes and a costume show during intermission.

"I am so thrilled to be working with these talented young people in the cast. *Beauty and the Beast* is a large undertaking and these students have risen to the challenge," director Morgan Heetbrink explains. "I have no doubt you will be impressed and thoroughly entertained by their performance. Plus, it's a great show to enjoy with the whole family! We encourage families and kids to join us for the Prince and Princess Matinee in costume!"

“It’s so much fun!” muses high school senior and Theatre Club president Alex Wilder. “I enjoy doing theatre and it’s my last show on this stage. The costuming and people are incredible and I’m so proud to be a part of this production!”

Be our guest on May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, and a matinee on May 12 at 2:00pm in the Lake Washington High School Theatre Performing Arts Center, 12033 NE 80<sup>th</sup> Street, Kirkland, WA. For tickets in advance please contact the bookkeeping office at Lake Washington High School. Or tickets can be purchased starting 1 hour before curtain at the theater. \$15 Adults/General Admission. \$10 Students with ASB, seniors, children under 12, Military. \$5 Special Matinee on May 12<sup>th</sup> for children 10 and under. Meet Belle and the Cast starting at 12:30.

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