



Press Release for Alice in Wonderland

Sponsored by Wilmette's Youth Connection

Youth Connection's Theatre Experience at Highcrest Middle School in Wilmette, Illinois this year will be "Alice In Wonderland", a new adaptation of the classic story by Lewis Carroll. The show performs for one night only, Friday, November the 5th, 2010 at 7:30p.m. at the Highcrest Middle School's Auditorium at 569 W. Hunter, in Wilmette, Illinois. Wristbands will be sold rather than tickets for \$10 during the lunch periods in HMS cafeteria on November 3rd thru 5th, and at the door the night of the performance.

The modern re-telling was written, directed, and produced by Mary Kay Dreyfus. This new adaptation is set in a school yard, and touches on some relevant middle-school aged themes, including bullying and being yourself. There is cast of 21 students and 4 crew members made up of 5th and 6th graders from Highcrest. Mary Kay Dreyfus, a Youth Connection board member and President of Consultarts.com wrote the script, directed, and designed the costumes, sets, and sound. Charles W. Jolls is the production's lighting designer. Also, Youth Connection board members and local parents are helping with rehearsals, stage management, and marketing. Youth Connection is a 501-C 3 charitable organization that provides social, service and educational opportunities to Wilmette area 5th-8th graders. For more information contact Mary Kay Dreyfus at mkdreyfus@consultarts.com.

Cast List

Marc Birge	King of Hearts	Sara Nicholas	Allie
Zara Bokhari	Cook and Flower	Charlotte Rammelt	Queen of Arts
Jack Callahan	Mad Hatter	Olivia Scholtz	Crew
Katja Dabrowski	Door mouse	Isis Seppelfrick	Knave of Hearts
Ella Denman	Duchess	Sarah Shapiro	Actor
Grayson Doran	Emily (Allie understudy)	Clara Somfelean	Allie's Mom
Elainia Gupta	Flower/Narrator 2	William Webb	March Hare
Lucy Hauser	White Rabbit	Ingrid Werfing	Flower/Five of Spades
Michael Hsu	Crew	Dionysios Wertz	Crew
Anders Kunny	Seven of Spades/Narrator 2	Lucy Weyhrich	Flower/Two of Spades
Drew McCauley	Narrator 1	Lauren Yousha	Cheshire Cat
Charlotte Mitchell	Crew	Lilly Zoughlin	Executioner
Lydia O'Connell	Caterpillar		