

Big Stories, Up Close.

"THE STINKY CHEESE MAN AND OTHER FAIRLY STUPID TALES" Fact Sheet

WHAT: Lifeline Theatre KidSeries, in association with Griffin Theatre Company, presents the subversive anti-fairytale **"The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Fairy Tales,"** based on the irreverent book by Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith, adapted by William Massolia and directed by Richard Barletta. **"The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Fairy Tales"** is a reinvention of the original Griffin production for the Lifeline stage, and features Jack, who is trying to use his wits to escape the terrible Giant. But the little red hen, the princess, the wolf and a host of familiar fairy tale characters keep messing up his plans – and then there's that annoying Stinky Cheese Man! The show runs approximately 45 minutes with no intermission and is recommended for ages five and up.

WHERE: Lifeline Theatre, 6912 N. Glenwood Ave., Chicago, IL 60626
Parking available (street and lot – see below); CTA accessible (Red Line Morse stop and buses)
Free lot parking until midnight three blocks north of the theatre in the Trilogy lot (Estes & Glenwood)

WHEN: Press opening Sunday, October 1, 2006, at 1 PM
Runs Saturdays at 11 AM & 1 PM, and Sundays at 1 PM through 11/26/06
Previews on 9/30/06 at 11 AM & 1 PM

TICKETS: 773.761.4477 [*this is the number for the public to call*]
\$10 for both children and adults
Pay-what-you-can tickets (half-hour before the show – *subject to availability*)
Group rates and other discounts also available on request
Party room available for full-service birthday and special event parties

STAFF: **Jon Scieszka** (Author), **Lane Smith** (Illustrator), Griffin artistic directors **William Massolia** (Adaptor) and **Richard Barletta** (Director). Other staff includes **J. Branson** (Scenic Design), **John Sanchez** (Lighting Design), **Jessica Kuehnau** (Costume Design), **Tim Hill** (Sound Design), **Michelle Warner** (Props Design), **Samantha Tripses** (Assistant Costume Design), **Charlie Olson** (Technical Director) and **Michelle Lilly** (Stage Manager).

CAST: **Marsha Harman, Kevin Kingston, Vergia Siovhan** and **Nicholas Ward** (two additional actors TBA).

NEXT: *"The Velveteen Rabbit"* (12/16/06-2/4/07); *"The True Story of the Three Little Pigs"* (2/24-4/15/07).

INFO: Theatre marketing info - Frances Limoncelli, 773.761.1772, frances@lifelinetheatre.com
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MISSION: Now in its 24th season, Lifeline Theatre and its artistic ensemble of writers, directors, designers and performers collaboratively develop literary adaptations and original theater. Lifeline's innovative artistic and education programs for adults, children and families bring engaging and reflective stories to life.

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Media passes, photographs, interviews and additional materials available.

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