

2020—2021 Season

New Mexico Young Actors announce their 2020—2021 41st season!

The Musical Adventures of Oliver Twist

Rip Van Winkle

The Little Mermaid

Treasure Island

Our 41st season includes four stories from literature classics, three of which are brand new for NMYA and one is a reprise of one of our popular musicals.

In November of 2020, NMYA will present **The Musical Adventures of Oliver Twist**. Based on the novel by Charles Dickens, this musical follows the orphan Oliver from his escapades in a life of thievery with Fagin's criminal gang to the loving home of Mr. Brownlow. The tuneful score is by Scott DeTurk, who is the composer of the music from our popular 2016 production of *Pocahontas*. At the KiMo Theatre, November 17—22.

As a follow-up to our fall 2018 production of Washington Irving's *Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, our fall 2020 play will be Irving's other famous short story, **Rip Van Winkle**. Charlotte Chorpenning's script explores Rip's touching relationship with his daughter and the hilarious ways he tries to escape his wife's nagging, including running off into the Catskill Mountains, where he falls asleep for twenty years and misses the American Revolution! The play will be on tour November 30—December 8, and at the North 4th Theater on December 6.

In April 2021, NMYA continues its spring Broadway, Jr. musical tradition with a reprise of Disney's **The Little Mermaid, Jr.**, last produced by NMYA in 2013. The mermaid, Ariel, has such a strong yearning for new exploits that she may agree to Ursula's tempting offer to exchange her beautiful voice for life on dry land. As one of Hans Christian Andersen's most popular fairy tales, and with music by award-winning composer, Alan Menken, you won't want to miss this fabulous undersea adventure! KiMo Theatre, April 13—18.

Everyone loves a pirate story, and much of our modern pirate lore, including treasure maps, tropical islands, and buried chests of gold, come from Robert Louis Stevenson's novel, **Treasure Island**. The script is by Joseph George Caruso and includes the characters Long John Silver, Captain Bill Bones, and Calico Annie aboard the *Hispaniola* vying to be the first to find the island and the mysterious treasure. On tour May 3—11, and at the North 4th Theater on May 8.

Remember, all of our productions are family-friendly and feature only children and youth on stage! Check our website, www.nmyoungactors.org, for up to date information, ticket availability, and to register your son or daughter for our program.