



Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre

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Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre Explores Life After Neverland Iowa Premiere of *Lost Girl* Opens September 20 at Franklin Jr. High

DES MOINES- You know about the Boy Who Wouldn't Grow Up... but what about the Girl Who Had To? Find out at *Lost Girl*, presented by Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre at Franklin Jr. High, September 20-29.

Years after returning from Neverland, Wendy Darling (played by Roosevelt sophomore Kiana Collier) decides she must find Peter in order to reclaim her kiss and move on with her life. Along the way, she encounters other girls who went to Neverland and learns she is not alone. A coming-of-age exploration of first love and lasting loss, *Lost Girl* continues J.M. Barrie's beloved character as she learns to stand in the center of her own story instead of the shadow of someone else's. Winner of the 2018 Kennedy Center Darrell Ayers National Playwriting Award.

Lost Girl is supported in part by the Iowa Arts Council, a division of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs. Additional support provided by Snookies Malt Shop.

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The cast of *Lost Girl* includes Alexis Castro (Boy), Kiana Collier (Wendy Darling), Emilee Cruchelow* (C & Krista), Riley Devick (Nina), Nyaluny Malual* (Toodles & Therapist), June Perry (Nibs & Detective), Madison Pulica (Curly & Doctor), Gabe Schebel (Peter Pan), Sheena Tran* (B & Callie), Kalen Truong (Slightly), Davida Williams (A & Cora), and Jill S. Ziegler (Mother). Sage Johnson is the swing. Asterisks (*) denote DMYAT debut performances.

Lost Girl Production Team

Director: David A. VanCleave
Choreollaborator: Yvette Zaród Hermann
Assistant Director: Sage Johnson*
Stage Managers: Stephanie Wilber & Alice Robertson
Projections Designer: Cody Ryan
Lighting Designer: Chris Hanian
Sound Designer / Composer: Mark Toeppen
Costume Designer: Emilee Cruchelow
Props Designers: Alayna Wilber* & Natalie Morrill*
Production Assistant: Madelynne Streaker-Seay*

*Student Apprentice

Ticket Information

Students & Seniors: \$19.50

Adults: \$24.50

Student Rush Tickets are available at the door, beginning one hour prior to curtain.

Tickets are available online through Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre's website (www.dmyat.org) and at the door. Performances are held at Franklin Jr. High, 4801 Franklin Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50310. The show runs approximately 80 minutes without intermission. Recommended for ages 12+.

LOST GIRL Performance Schedule

Friday, September 20, 7:30 PM

Saturday, September 21, 7:30 PM

Sunday, September 22, 2:00 PM

Friday, September 27, 7:30 PM

Saturday, September 28, 7:30 PM

Sunday, September 29, 2:00 PM

ABOUT DES MOINES YOUNG ARTISTS' THEATRE

Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre is a nonprofit organization committed to introducing students and their families to the transformative power of live theatre and the arts. Last season provided performance, directorial and design opportunities to over 200 students from across the Des Moines metro and surrounding areas, including Altoona, Ames, Ankeny, Baxter, Clive, Colfax, Dallas Center-Grimes, Indianola, Johnston, Knoxville, Pleasantville, Prairie City, Meter, Waukee, West Des Moines and more. DMYAT is committed to training young performers in all areas of theatre and nurturing the next generation to create thought-provoking and challenging works of art to promote social change.



Kiana Collier stars as Wendy Darling. Photo by Brandon James Photography.