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Description: Project X Theatre's Andrew Cooper, Randi Edmundson, and Melissa Thomas bring Robert Munsch stories to life with *Munsch Upon A Time*.

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***Munsch Upon A Time*, for both kids and kids at heart.**

CHILLIWACK, BC – Whether it's an angry but slightly gullible fire-breathing dragon, or a father-stealing team of vengeful fish, Robert Munsch's stories have kept children laughing for the past four decades – and now they're coming to life on stage! On **May 7** Project X Theatre is bringing their production of *Munsch Upon A Time* to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre, and for lovers of Munsch or first time readers, it's sure to be the rattle-bing-bang-best time ever!

Munsch Upon A Time, created by Debbie Patterson, takes three of Munsch's classic stories – *The Paper Bag Princess*, *The Fire Station*, and *David's Father* – along with two of his newer tales—*Give Me Back My Dad!* and *It's My Room!* – and stages them in the most hilarious way possible.

The show is produced by Kamloops-based theatre company **Project X**, and became a permanent addition to their repertoire after its run at last year's X Fest, the company's yearly theatre festival in Kamloops. With eight performances in July alone, it didn't take long for the show to become a fan favourite. Its actors, Randi Edmundson as Patsy, Melissa Thomas as Fullerton, and Andrew Cooper as the Professor, kept audiences laughing with their modest, yet hilarious, take on Munsch's beloved stories. *Kamloops This Week* wrote that "Project X found unique, simple ways to illustrate Munsch's words. One scene included two rolls of toilet paper and a blowdryer to make smoke."

Project X didn't start off as a family-orientated company, but after performing their first kid's show in 2011, the group knew it was something they wanted to keep doing. "The response from the community was so overwhelming it was clear that Project X was filling a void in our community's cultural needs," they said. In the past seven years, Project X has performed a variety of family-friendly productions, including *The Wizard of Oz* and *Alice in Wonderland*, and their upcoming season includes *The Jungle Book* and *Rapunzel*.

Whether Munsch's stories have become bedtime staples that have been nearly memorized, or if this is the first time hearing them, they're sure to put a smile on every face, both the young and the young at heart.

Munsch Upon A Time is coming to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre on **May 7 at 2:00 pm**. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the Centre Box Office, online at www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca, or by calling 604-391-SHOW(7469).

Munsch Upon A Time is sponsored by: Mertin GM, Emil Anderson, Coast Capital Savings, Save On Foods, KPMG, Glenco, Prime Signs, The Chilliwack Progress, the Department of Canadian Heritage, the British Columbia Arts Council, the Province of British Columbia, and the City of Chilliwack.

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Chilliwack Cultural Centre

Owned by the City of Chilliwack, the Cultural Centre houses two unique performance venues, an art gallery, music instruction studios, arts and crafts studios, meeting rooms, offices, and is home to the Chilliwack Academy of Music and the O'Connor Group Art Gallery. Since opening in 2010, over 290,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding \$4,280,000. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City.

Chilliwack Cultural Centre highlights:

- 597 seat performance theatre
- 168 seat recital hall / rehearsal space / dance studio / meeting space
- Chilliwack Art gallery (22-foot high display area)
- 21 music instructional rooms
- Arts, crafts and performance studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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