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Classic fairytale Cinderella engages kids.

CHILLIWACK, BC - The DuffleBag Theatre troupe returns on March 9 at 2pm for another fun-filled performance of interactive storytelling at the Cultural Centre with their hilarious rendition of the classic fairy tale *Cinderella*. This popular theatre group caters to kids, and the young at heart, with their super fun collaborative style of theatre. Children don't just watch the performance... they can become part of the show!

Jumping from the page to the stage, DuffleBag Theatre will take audience members on an enchanting journey into this classic fairytale. By bringing audience members into the performance and creating spontaneous and hilarious live theatre the "Nearly

World Famous” **DuffleBag Theatre** has become one of the most celebrated companies at festivals and schools all across the country. Actors begin the retelling of select fairy tales and Shakespearean classics in an original way that is packed full of wit and humour, then just when the audience becomes enthralled by the story there is a twist! Suddenly, audience members are asked to come up on stage and join in the action. This unpredictable performance produces a comical experience for all ages in a truly unique interactive theatrical show where the dream of living in a fairy tale actually does come true!

Using a lot of physical comedy **DuffleBag Theatre** makes the performance extra funny with noticeable, amplified sounds, and minimal technology means they have to get pretty creative sometimes rely on a narrator with a microphone to make sound effects such as a “boom” sound when somebody falls down. Other times the individual actors will make the sounds for themselves, like the clanging sounds in a sword fight. A whole lot of creativity and experimentation goes into creating the basic sounds – and then of course the audiences’ imaginations helps by taking what the narrator describes and enhancing those minimal effects we create. It’s a team effort!

Cinderella gets the full **DuffleBag** treatment as the timeless story takes on new funny twists thanks to creative storytelling and plenty of audience participation! Being asked to come up on stage and join the actors as part of the story is a real treat for young audience members as they can unleash their limitless imagination and help bring the fable to life. Who knows, maybe it will be *your* turn to shine on stage as a fairy princess, a wicked step-sister or a Prince Charming! This unpredictable piece of

theatre is an amazing experience for all, and a truly spectacular performance your kids will remember forever.

The Duffle Bag Theatre Company has been wowing children all across Canada, the United States, and internationally since 1992 and is sure to also thrill audiences on **March 9** at the Cultural Centre. Spontaneous, engaging, always hilarious, this show is fun for the whole family! Get your tickets early -only \$10 for a show you and your children will love. Call the Centre Box Office at 604-391-SHOW(7469) or visit www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca

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Additional Information

DuffleBag Theatre

“The Nearly World-Famous” Dufflebag Theatre company has been performing since 1992 starting at the London International Children’s Festival, in London, Ontario, Canada. Now based in Toronto, DuffleBag performs over 600 shows a year, across Canada, the U.S., and internationally.

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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 Chilliwack Art Gallery. Since opening in 2010, over 150,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding 2,000,000. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City, and boasts The Chilliwack Academy of Music, The Chilliwack Visual Artists Association and The Chilliwack Players Guild as partners.

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 and crafts studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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