



Elizabeth Stenholt, Milla Liss, Jordan Anthony Arredondo and Devon Hayakawa in *FUN HOME* 2022

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We hope you'll subscribe to the 2024 / 2025 season,
and together, we'll create more moments
that will last us a lifetime!



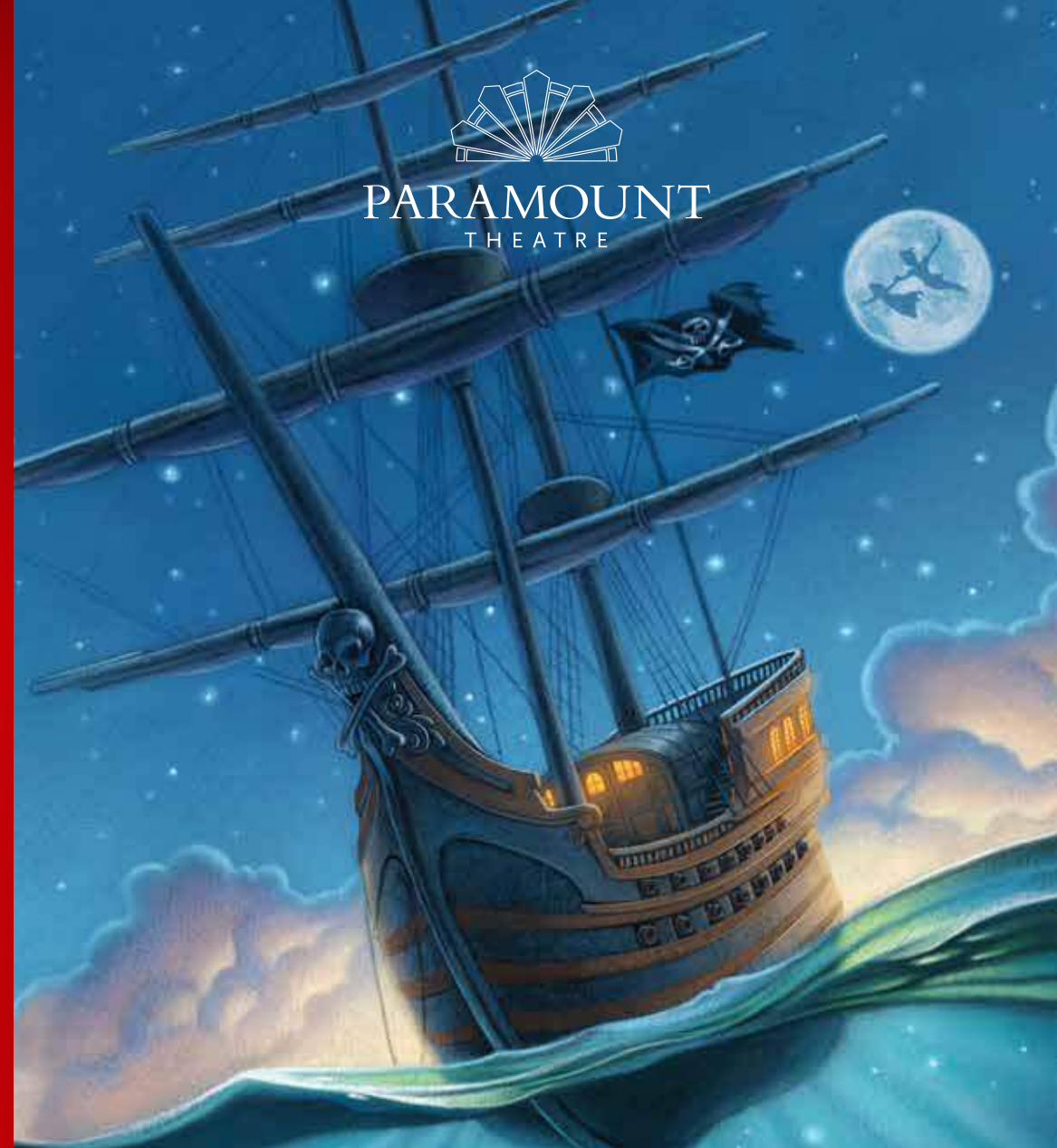
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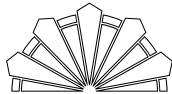
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The power of BOLD Theater! Now leaping into our third season, we pause to reflect on how we owe this success to you. As part of our growing community, you recognize our commitment to making adventurous theater.

Imagine how pleased we are to announce the 2024 / 2025 season! It is an authentic journey through humanity’s joys and challenges, as seen through the eyes of visionary playwrights, lyricists and musical directors. Building on our reputation for presenting award-winning hits, this year we have programmed a mix of the quintessential and the groundbreaking.

This season brings thrills to the stage with breathtaking dives into provocative and intriguing stories. With innovative staging in the intimate setting of Copley Theatre, *Peter and the Starcatcher*, *An Act of God*, and *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* will immerse you in some of the most thrilling, funny, emotionally intoxicating, and adventurous storytelling yet!

True to our mission, we believe in the magic of live theater to reach across generations, to encourage expansive imaginations and to broaden views of people and the world. What is more inviting than that? As always, whether for the first time, or the hundredth time, we welcome you into our Paramount family and home to experience the magic of live theater.

WE’LL SEE YOU AT THE THEATER!

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KNOCKING IT OUT OF THE PARK

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SWEAT 2022

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that achieves a level of emotional intensity I’ve never seen before.”

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**“MAKE THE TRIP
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**“PATRONS WILL BE
RIVETED TO THE ACTION
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**“ALL OF THE ELEMENTS ARE IN PLACE FOR
A FINE EVENING OF THEATER.”**

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COPLEY LOUNGE Grab a drink and take a seat! Designed with your comfort in mind, you’ll find a variety of seating arrangements for you and your friends. We’re mixing unique, premium spirits and creating cocktails to expand the palette and heighten the senses.

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A play by RICK ELICE Based on the novel by DAVE BARRY AND RIDLEY PEARSON Music by WAYNE BARKER

Originally produced on Broadway by NANCY NAGEL GIBBS, GREG SCHAFFERT,
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PETER AND THE STARCATCHER

JULY 24 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

TOSSING ASIDE UNFORTUNATE ADULT NOTIONS, *PETER AND THE STARCATCHER* EMBRACES THE BONDS OF CAMARADERIE, LOVE AND DUTY IN THIS VICTORIAN ADVENTURE. Adulting is hard! Join Peter on this quest to protect something important — starstuff, and the cheerful spirit of youth itself, in our fanciful rendition of *Peter and the Starcatcher*.

Known as the whimsical prequel to *Peter Pan*, a young orphan is sold into servitude aboard the Neverland-bound ship, the Wasp. But bleak realities of the Victorian age and industrial practices cannot force Peter to grow up, and his enthusiasm is infectious — compelling every young person he meets (and the audience too) to join this ageless adventure.

Boldly staged in Paramount's intimate Copley Theatre, a magical place "made of faith, and trust, and pixie dust," you will leave the empire and set sail for exotic lands with Peter and the precocious Molly Aster, a Starcatcher apprentice. The play captures the spirit of J.M. Barrie's classic *Peter Pan* with wordplay, swashbuckling escapades and Paramount's flair for the dramatic.

Fans of Wendy and Peter will trace the genesis of Peter Pan and the other iconic characters, including the notorious Captain Hook, in the enchanted world of Neverland.

See for yourself why *Peter and the Starcatcher* was the buzz of New York and was nominated for nine Tony Awards and took home three of the coveted distinctions.

Come find the bounty with Peter and Molly!

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PETER AND THE ST★ CATCHER

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AN ACT OF GOD

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DAVID JAVERBAUM

OCTOBER 2 - NOVEMBER 10, 2024

**GOD GETS A SECOND CHANCE TO DISH IT ALL OUT FOR US —
DELIVERING THE REWRITE OF THE AGES, WITH SOME ADDED
SNARKY SOCIAL COMMENTARY FOR OUR AMUSEMENT!**

You've been waiting your whole life, but when God finally speaks, you might be surprised by what He has to say.

In this hilarious divine comedy, the Almighty takes a crack at rewriting the Ten Commandments and He gives it to us straight. Inhabiting a mortal vessel, this world-weary God invokes many classic straight shooters from the past. But even Howard Stern and Johnny Carson would blush at God's audacity as He takes to the stage to address the misconceptions mankind has amassed over the eons.

As a talk show guest, plan to have your assumptions challenged while God navigates you through religious doctrine, moral dilemmas, and your own human foibles with a blend of satire and irreverent humor.

With worthy sidekicks like archangels Michael and Gabriel, God's reflections on creation, faith, and the nature of good and evil just might open some pearly gates for you in the future.

A divine comedy — not for the faint of heart.

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Music & lyrics by WILLIAM FINN
Book by RACHEL SHEINKIN Conceived by REBECCA FELDMAN
Additional material by JAY REISS Originally directed on Broadway by JAMES LAPINE

THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE

MARCH 12 - APRIL 27, 2025

IT'S A BATTLE OF WITS AS SIX CONTESTANTS VIE FOR THE SPELLING BEE CHAMPIONSHIP OF A LIFETIME IN THIS MUSICAL COMEDY. Everyone loves a coming-of-age tale. Combine that with the epic struggles of six underdogs competing to shine in their own sport, and you have *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* — a relatable musical that sheds a humorous light on adolescents growing up under the pressure to excel.

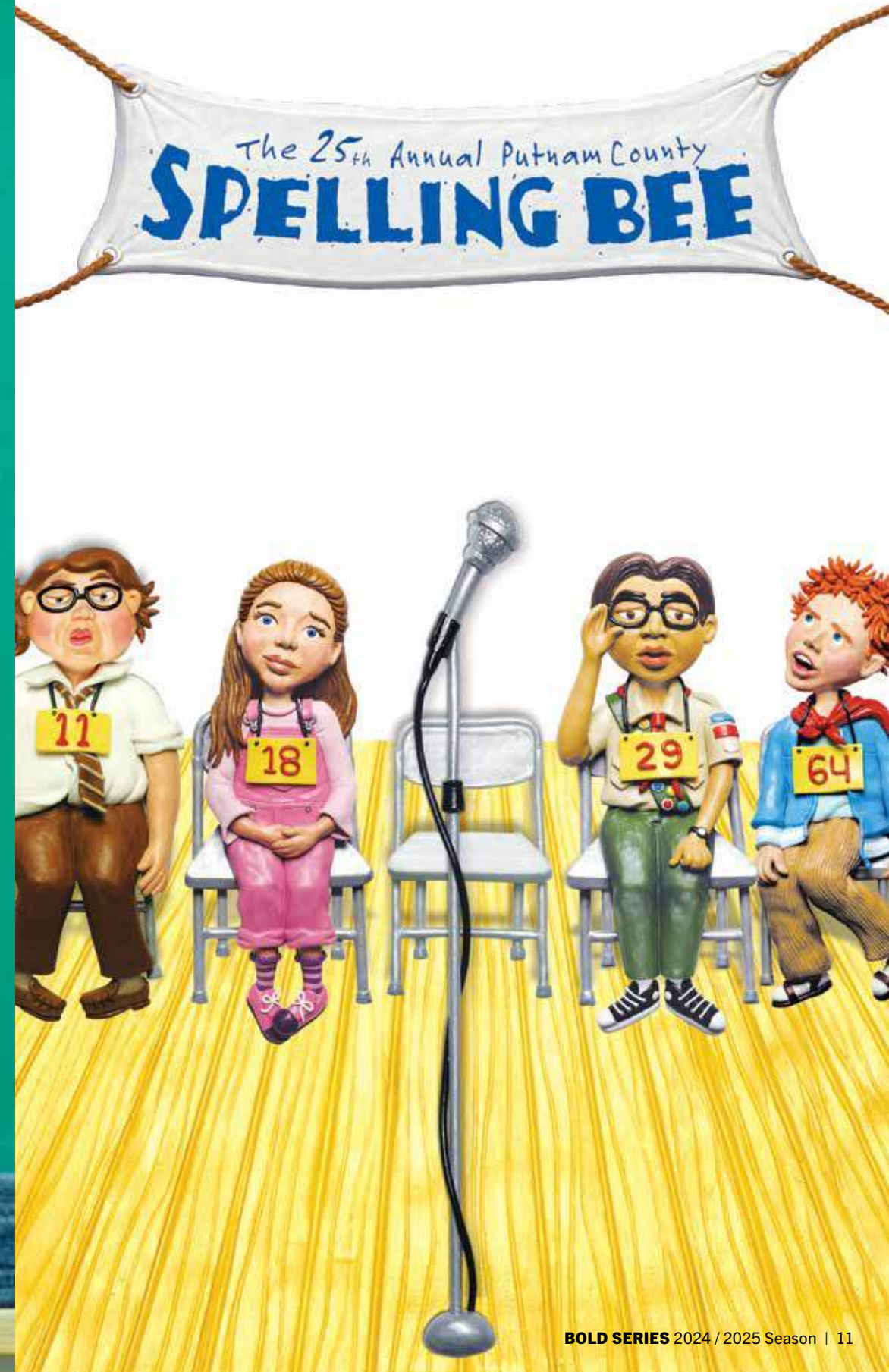
Whether you were a band kid, or a cheerleader, middle school angst is a memory everyone can relate to. Chances are you will recognize one of the six types in yourself: the perfectionist, the loner, the kid whose parents are unavailable, the imposter, the sensitive one, and the overachiever. There might only be one champion, but at what cost to all of the rest who aim to conquer?

As the contestants vie for the spelling bee championship of a lifetime in this musical, themes of competition, identity, and alienation portray the universal awkwardness of growing up — making it the perfect nostalgic comedy.

Entertaining tunes include “I’m Not That Smart,” “Pandemonium,” “Woe Is Me” and of course, “The I Love You Song.” The catchy tunes, witty lyrics, and endearing characters create an entertaining and heartwarming theatrical experience for all, even the overachievers and spelling-challenged among us. Two-time Tony Award winner including Best Book.

Embrace your inner nerd!

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August Forman in *HAND TO GOD*
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Elizabeth Stenholt in *FUN HOME*, JEFF AWARD WINNER,
BEST PERFORMER IN A SUPPORTING ROLE 2023
Also pictured: Em Modaff

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