



Going to The Rose Guide



Welcome to The Rose!

It's almost time for our next production, **CAT KID COMIC CLUB: THE MUSICAL**, the wacky touring musical based on the book by Dav Pilkey! We've assembled some special information to help you get ready for the upcoming performance. Before you go to the show, you might want to take a few moments to review this "Know Before You Go" Guide so everyone will know what to expect from the performance!



The Story You Will See



Adapted from the CAT KID COMIC CLUB series of books by Dav Pilkey.

*Book and Lyrics by Kevin Del Aguila.
Music by Brad Alexander.*

***CAT KID COMIC CLUB: The Musical is produced by arrangement with
TheaterworksUSA.***

Cat Kid and Molly Pollywog have started an epic club to teach 21 rambunctious baby frogs how to make their own comics! Their fishy father Flippy is overjoyed that his kids will learn to unleash their creativity, but when the frogs' constant bickering and outrageous imaginations send their comics comically off the rails, Flippy flips out! Will the club survive? Will the frogs ever get along? And will creativity finally save the day? All will be answered in this madcap musical based on Dav Pilkey's irreverently hilarious Dog Man spin-off series, Cat Kid Comic Club.

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February 14 - March 2, 2025 | 60 minutes

Know Before You Go

Here are some things your family might like to “Know Before You Go:”

- **Mild Toilet Humor** – The show includes references to boogers, poop, and butts, often in a silly, exaggerated way.
- **Cartoonish Chaos & Destruction** – Some scenes feature comedic mayhem, including explosions, car crashes, and a world-ending disaster—but all in a playful, over-the-top style.
- **Mock Conflict & Sibling Rivalry** – Siblings in the show frequently bicker, tease, and poke fun at each other (especially Melvin and Naomi) – so preparing a young audience member (in case that is sensitive for them) is recommended!
- **Dark Humor & Morbid Themes** – Some comics created by the frogs, (The Cute, Little, Fluffy Cloud of Death), include references to ghosts, skeletons, and the afterlife.
- **Rule-Breaking & Mischief** – The show celebrates creativity and self-expression, sometimes through not following rules or instructions.
- **Technical Elements** - This show will make the use of theatrical haze and moments of flashing lights.





Some of The Characters You'll Meet

- **Cat Kid (Li'l Petey)** – A fearless feline leader with a big heart, teaching young frogs the power of storytelling!
- **Flippy** – A former villain turned overwhelmed but loving father of 22 chaotic frogs.
- **Molly** – The wise and responsible tadpole who's always ready to keep her siblings (and the comic club) in check.
- **Melvin** – A bowtie-wearing, smugly confident frog who dreams of becoming a lawyer.
- **Naomi** – A feisty, no-nonsense frog with a sharp tongue and a love for pushing Melvin's buttons.
- **Poppy** – A cheerful yet darkly creative frog who adores skeletons and spooky things.
- **Kip** – A well-meaning but accident-prone frog who somehow turns every situation into a disaster.
- **Sarah Hatoff** – A dramatic news reporter always ready to announce the latest catastrophe.

From Story to Stage

- Dav Pilkey, the author of the original book, was born with the name Dave. He used to be a waiter at a pizza restaurant. All the waiters had name tags. But the machine that made the name tags had a broken letter E on it. So his name tag just said “DAV.” The spelling stuck. He just kept writing his name “D-A-V.” But you say “Dave.”
- CAT KID COMIC CLUB is a spin off of the famous DOGMAN superhero series of Dav Pilkey, who also created CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS!
- Theatreworks, who is bringing this tour to The Rose, has also toured a production of THE LIGHTNING THIEF to our theater, and is a professional touring company visiting all around the country!



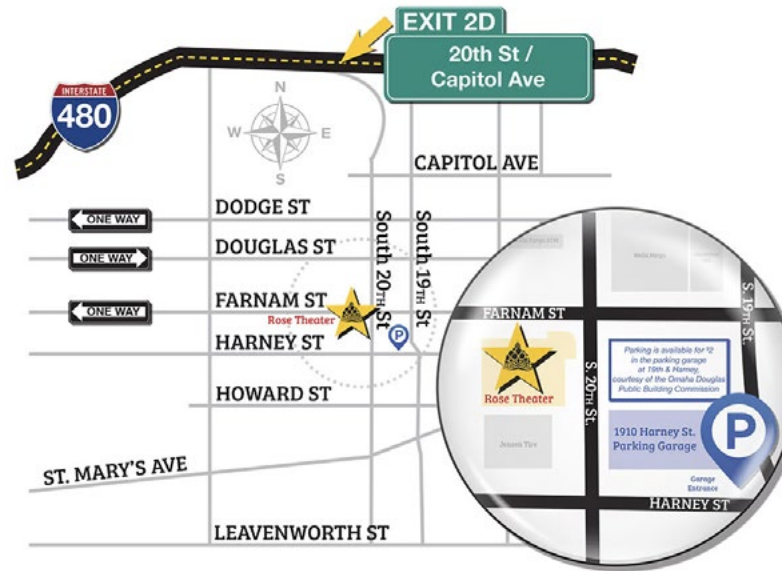
Location

Theater Location

The Rose is located in downtown Omaha at 2001 Farnam Street on the southwest corner of 20th & Farnam Streets.

Directions

From west Omaha, take I-80 East to 1-480 North and exit onto 20th Street. The Rose is located on Farnam Street, approximately three blocks south of the 20th Street exit



Parking

Parking is available for \$2 in the garage at 19th & Harney, courtesy of the Omaha Douglas Public Building Commission (1910 Harney St., Omaha, NE 68102).

CHANGES TO OMAHA PARKING METERS! [Please check the Park Omaha website for the latest information.](#) Currently, parking meters surrounding the theater are active from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday, with free parking available on Sundays and holidays.

A variety of parking lots are available around the theater, as well, ranging in cost from \$2-\$5.



While at The Rose

Take Home a Souvenir!

The Rose Guild presents a souvenir stand before and after each performance offering a variety of fun and inexpensive show-related mementos. The proceeds help to support the great education programs at The Rose Theater!

Check out our Classes!

If you like what you saw on the stage and think you'd like to be a part of it, try taking a theater class here at The Rose Theater. We offer a wide range of arts classes for every interest and experience level. Check out the Rose Website or scan a QR code at the box office for more information.

Awesome Aftershow Activities!

1. Create Your Own Supa Silly Superhero! Use your imagination to create the wackiest, wildest superhero ever! Fill out the sections below and draw a picture of your superhero in action.

Superhero Name:

Superpower(s):

Biggest Weakness:

Catchphrase:

2. Comic Panel Challenge! Finish the comic by drawing and writing what happens next!
Panel 1: (Image of Cat Kid) "Welcome to the Cat Kid Comic Club!"
Panel 2: (Your drawing and dialogue)
Panel 3: (Your drawing and dialogue)
Make it funny, wild, or totally unexpected!

3. Escape the Time-Traveling Toothbrush Maze! Help Dennis the Toothbrush Lawyer find his way through the maze to Dinosaur Court!
Start: Dennis is in the Time Machine, ready to go back in time!
Obstacles: Watch out for dino drool, brontosaurus traffic jams, and flying pterodactyls!
Finish: Reach the Dinosaur Court and save the innocent dino from a false crime!



Dinner Time Discussion

One of the best ways to enjoy a play is to talk about the story and the characters with family and friends who saw the show. Here are some topics you can discuss before and after you visit The Rose Theater to see the production.

Before the Show

- What Makes a Great Comic Book? – What are some of your favorite comics or graphic novels? What makes them fun to read?
- Superheroes & Silly Characters – If you could create your own comic book character, what would they be like? Would they be funny, heroic, or mischievous?
- Rules vs. Creativity – The story is about young frogs making their own comics, sometimes breaking the rules along the way. Do you think rules help or hurt creativity?

After the Show

- Flippy's Big Challenge – Flippy struggles to guide the young frogs as they create their comics. Do you think he was too strict or just trying to help? How did his parenting change by the end of the show?
- The Funniest Comic in the Club – The frogs made all kinds of wild and silly comics, like Supa Fail, The Cute, Little, Fluffy Cloud of Death, and Chubbs McSpiderbutt. Which one was your favorite and why?
- Mistakes & Creativity – Cat Kid tells the frogs that failing is part of the creative process. How did making mistakes help the frogs become better storytellers? Have you ever made a mistake that helped you learn something new? kindness in daily routines?



Thank You and Enjoy the Show!



Support Our Mission

For more than 75 years, The Rose Theater has inspired creativity, developed imagination and helps children grow into confident young adults.

With your help, we can continue this work for another 75 years. Your donation amplifies the impact of theater education on youth, giving young people the opportunity to reach for the stars and discover the possibilities that lie within.

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