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As your only professional theater for young audiences, we are also proud to bring you some of the best working artists from around the country. Though they are guests in our community, these folks care deeply about helping children see themselves reflected onstage.

We hope our work uplifts you and your young people, that it contributes to your sense of connection to this place, and to the people around you. We need your presence to complete the act of making theater, so the gift of you being here is deeply appreciated by all of us who call The Rose our home.

Matt Gutschick
Artistic Director



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Cast

Pete the Cat	Geoffrey Eggleston
Jimmy Biddle.....	Marcus Buttweiler
Olive Biddle	Kyah Sneed
Mother.....	Natalie Hernandez
Father	Karl Houser

Artistic / Production Credits

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The Sneezing Song	Olive Biddle, Pete the Cat
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Under the Couch	Pete, Jimmy, Mother, Father, Olive
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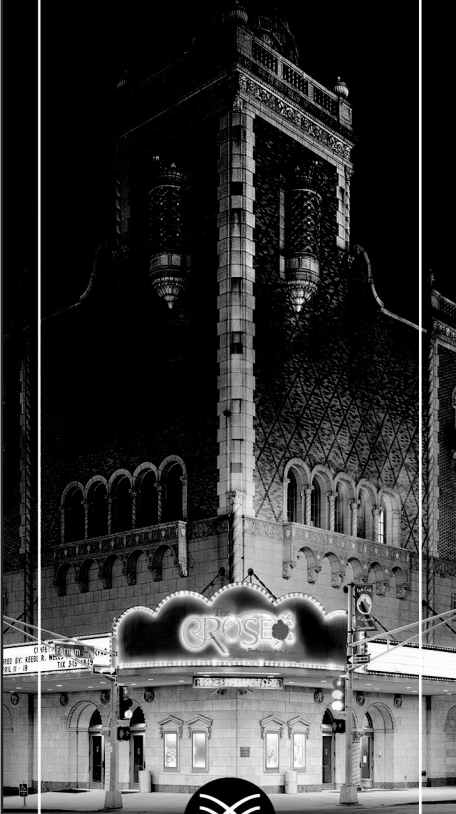
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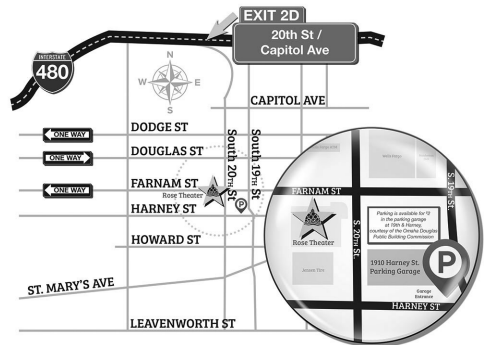
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Thanks to the Omaha Douglas Public Building Commission, Rose audience members can now park for just \$2 in the parking garage at 1910 Harney Street (the corner of 19th & Harney) on weekend show days. This convenient location across the street from The Rose allows families quick and easy access to the theater at an affordable price.

"This is a wonderful benefit to our visitors," says Rose managing director Julie Walker. "The families visiting The Rose now have access to the closest parking facility -- literally just across the street to the southeast -- at a rate less than they would pay at other uncovered lots or at a parking meter. We are so grateful to the Omaha Douglas Public Building Commission for the use of the garage."



Rose Theater Staff

Artistic Director
Matthew Gutschick

Managing Director
Julie Walker

Production Staff

Production Director – Sarah Buck

Resident Production Stage Manager – Meghan Boucher

Costume Shop Manager – Katie Greve

Technical Director – Jackson Curtright

Resident Props Manager – Devon Denn-Young

Scenic Charge Artist – Trent Grooms

Production Technician – Ren Walther

Resident Lighting Designer & Lead Electrician – Matt Benes

Resident Sound Designer & Audio Engineer – Christy Hernandez

Electrics & Audio Apprentice – Mike Coopridge *Stage Management Apprentice* – Erin McNeley-Phelps

Swing Technician – Abby Mutum, Maria Thompson

Stitcher – Ransom Buda

Company Artists – Donovaughn Daniels, Brian Guehring, Jay Hayden, Stephanie Jacobson, Jackie Kappes, Biannah Peji-Palm, Kathy Tyree

Playwright in Residence & Literary Manager – Brian Guehring

Education Director – Jackie Kappes

Early Childhood Education Director – Stephanie Jacobson

Accessibility Coordinator/Associate Director of Early Childhood – Chloe Hug

Teen Theater Coordinator – Jay Hayden

Full-Time Teaching Artists – Donovaughn Daniels, Maddison Poling

Advances Teaching Artist Fellows – Marcus Buttweiler, Breanna Mack, Erin O'Hara, Rachel Smart

Education Fellows – Natalie Hernandez, Kyah Sneed, Abby Sokol

Summer Interns – Lucy Blaylock, Otto Fox, Maddy Hamilton, Langston Hopper, Ta'niya Latiker, Anna Preston, Abby Sokol, Rachel Tillotson

High School Interns – Kylie Ojeski, Silver Poast, Grant Petersen Jensen, Charlie Kaa

Musical Theater Manager/Youth Productions Coordinator/Rose Brigade Director – Michael James

Dance & Voice Coordinator – Michaela Sherman

Rose Dance Project Director – Mimi Lawry

Rose Studios Manager – Zachary Pachol

Year Long Musical Theater, Dance & Voice Teachers – Kenna Antaya, Peyton Banks, Jacina Bennett,

Jerry Brabec, Stephanie Darr, Wendy Eaton, Ellyssia Finch, Claire Foley, Robin Franco, Angie Frey,

Jude Glaser, Candace Gould, Cayenne Johnson, Lucy Kupka, Mimi Lawry, Jocey Logue, Nikki McMullen,

Kiley Melean, Michael Montez, Moses Nebalasca, Elizabeth Peller, Benji Pettiford, Kaitlan Scates-Pettiford,

Litsa Shoemaker, Tyra Smith, Laurelin Sterns, Stephanie Tepox, Sue Valke, Sammy Wahl,

Monica Weber, Charity Williams

Rose Studios for Youth Artists Desk Attendants – Katelyn Biggs, Jessica Bittner, Aedan Leahy, Jocey Logue, Jules Logue, Grace Luis, AJ Mattingly

COMMUNITY Connections Manager – Prentiss Matthews III

COMMUNITY Connections Coordinator – Doriette Jordan

Finance/HR Director – Janelle Kupka

Finance/HR Specialist – Biannah Peji-Palm

Strategy & Community Impact Director – Kathy Tyree

Facilities Director – Scott Kupka *Facilities Staff* – Hubert Clark, DJ Tyree

Audience Services Director – Mandy Aleksiak *Education Administrator* – Lindy Glenn

Audience Services Manager & Field Trip Coordinator – CiCi Gruber

Box Office Assistants – Ransom Buda, Julian Bowman, Grace Luis, Jey Nelson, Maria Thompson

Marketing & Communications Director – Erin Petersen

Marketing Specialist – Audrey Wardian

Development Consultant – Vic Gutman

Development Specialist – Lisa Winton

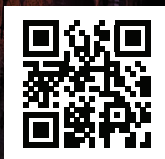
Grants Manager – Mary Hubl



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