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## **ADVENTURE THEATRE MTC ANNOUNCES ITS PROFESSIONAL PRODUCTION OF *WINNIE THE POOH***

*FEATURING DC FAVORITES JAMES GARDINER & TODD SCOFIELD IN THEIR ATMTC DEBUT*

GLEN ECHO, MD – [Adventure Theatre MTC](http://www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org) (ATMTC) opens 2013 with *Winnie the Pooh*, the third of its [Professional 2012-2013 61<sup>st</sup> Season](#), based on the book by A.A. Milne. Directed by Jerry Whiddon, director of the Helen Hayes Award Recipient for Outstanding Production, Theatre for Young Audiences' *If You Give a Pig a Pancake*, and adapted by Clanché du Rand, *Winnie The Pooh* will feature Washington, D.C. area favorites including James Gardiner and Todd Scofield in their ATMTC debut and Joshua Morgan, Artistic Director of [No Rules Theatre Co.](#) ATMTC will also continue its introduction of youth actors to the professional stage with Holden Brettell as Christopher Robin. This show is recommended for all ages. Tickets are \$19 each and can be purchased online at [www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org](http://www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org) or by calling 301.634.2270.

Winnie the Pooh is Christopher Robin's fat little bear of Very Little Brain, who would like to drift peacefully through life, humming tunes and stopping frequently to eat "a little something." Follow Pooh and Piglet on a Heffalump hunt, watch Rabbit scheme to rid the forest of Kanga's dreaded bathtub, and help Eeyore search for his tail. Pooh's intentions are always the best, but his passion for honey and condensed milk keeps getting him into trouble.

Group and field trip rates are available. Tickets can be purchased through the box office by calling 301-634-2270 or online at [www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org](http://www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org). Children under the age of 1 are free. **The press performance will be Sunday, January 20 at 2pm.** All performances will take place at Adventure Theatre MTC, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo, MD, 20812 in the historic Glen Echo Park.

Michael J. Bobbitt, Producing Artistic Director at Adventure Theatre MTC says of the show, "The world should truly be how *Winnie the Pooh* sees it, simple and small with good friends to guide you. There is no better lesson for kids. Whiddon's brilliant casting will make this a truly remarkable show on the ATMTC stage, and we're thrilled to bring another youth actor to ATMTC's professional stage as Christopher Robin among some of D.C.'s finest actors."

### **ABOUT ADVENTURE THEATRE MTC**

Adventure Theatre (founded in 1951) and Musical Theater Center (founded in 1986) merged into one organization, [Adventure Theatre MTC](http://www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org), in 2012. Located in Glen Echo Park (Glen Echo, MD) and Wintergreen Plaza (Rockville, MD), ATMTC cultivates new generations of artists and audiences by creating memorable theatrical productions and by providing young people the highest quality musical theater training. ATMTC serves students at all skill levels and families from diverse communities, approximately 75,000 people annually.

## **“WINNIE THE POOH” FACT SHEET**

**January 19 – February 24, 2013**

Based on the book by A.A. Milne

Adapted for the stage by le Clanché du Rand

Directed by Jerry Whiddon

All Ages

### **CAST (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)**

Christopher Robin .....	Holden Brettell
Eeyore/Kanga .....	James Gardiner
Piglet/Roo .....	Genevieve James
Rabbit/Owl .....	Joshua Morgan
Winnie the Pooh.....	Todd Scofield
U/S Piglet .....	Maya Brettell
U/S Eeyore/Kanga/Rabbit/Owl .....	Danny Pushkin

### **PRODUCTION CREW**

Director/Choreographer .....	Jerry Whiddon
Assistant Director .....	Stenise Reaves
Movement Consultant .....	Mark Jaster
Music Director .....	William Yanesh
Set Designer .....	Luciana Steccoli
Costume Designer .....	Katie Touart
Properties Designer .....	Andrea “Dre” Moore
Lighting Designer .....	Andrew Griffin
Sound Designer .....	Neil McFadden
Stage Manager.....	Donna R. Stout
Asst. Stage Manager/Production Associate .....	Julie Roedersheimer
Scenic Charge.....	Steven Royal
Master Electrician.....	Sarah Mackowski
Young Company Coordinator/Stage Management Intern .....	Madeleine Evans

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Production Run Dates – January 18 - February 24, 2013**

**Pajama Party**– January 18, 2013 at 7pm

**Press Opening** – Sunday, January 20, 2013 at 2pm

**Sensory/Autism Friendly Performance-** February 16, 2013 at 2pm

**American Sign Language Performance** – February 2, 2013 at 2pm

#### **Sundays**

January 20, 27 .....	11am & 2pm
February 3, 10, 17, 24.....	11am & 2pm

#### **Mondays**

January 21 .....	11am & 2pm
February 18.....	11am & 2pm

#### **Tuesdays**

January 22 .....	11am & 2pm
January 29 .....	10:30am
February 5, 12.....	10:30am

#### **Wednesdays**

January 30 .....	10:30am
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February 6, 13, 20..... 10:30am

**Thursdays**

January 24, 31 ..... 10:30am

February 7, 14, 21..... 10:30am

**Fridays**

January 18 ..... 7pm

January 25 ..... 10:30am

February 1, 8, 15, 22..... 10:30am

**Saturdays**

January 19 ..... 11am & 2pm

January 26 ..... 11am, 2pm & 4:30pm

February 2, 9, 16, 23..... 11am, 2pm & 4:30pm

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