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TOWN HALL THEATRE HOLDS AUDITIONS FOR MADELINE AND THE GYPSIES and STELLALUNA

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP – Washington Township's Town Hall Theatre will hold open auditions for actors in **grades 2-Adult** for its upcoming Landmark Children's Theatre Company productions of the musical, *Madeline and the Gypsies* and *Stellaluna* on **Saturday, December 5th at 9am, Monday, December 7th at 7pm and Wednesday, December 9th at 7pm.** Actors interested in auditioning must register in advance online at www.townhalltheatre.org or contact the box office at **937-433-8957**.

The Landmark Children's Theatre Company presents the musical, *Madeline and the Gypsies* **February 12-28, 2010** at Town Hall Theatre. In this follow-up to last season's *Madeline's Christmas*, everyone's favorite little heroine, Madeline and her new friend, Pepito, get lost during a trip to the circus and are carried away by gypsies! The two adventurers get more than they bargained for when they begin to miss their friends. Fortunately for them, poor Miss Clavel won't rest until she has brought them all safely home! Based on the book by Ludwig Bemelmens, the production is being directed by Managing Artistic Director, Mark Metzger and is **open to actors in grades 2-Adult**. Several adult roles are available.

The Landmark Children's Theatre Company presents the musical, *Stellaluna* **March 19-28, 2010** at Town Hall Theatre. When an owl attacks her mother, a young bat lands in a nest of baby birds and her whole world turns upside down – literally! The birds' mother agrees to adopt this strange creature, but insists that Stellaluna act like a bird, not a bat! In spite of her instincts, she agrees to try her best and learns to hang by her feet and starts eating bugs

instead of fruit! But it isn't easy being different and when she finally has the opportunity to show her bird siblings her true strengths, they gain a new-found respect and acceptance for their new sister on her terms. Based on the book by Janell Cannon,

Following its main-stage production, this show will go "on the road" to tour local schools and a brief run at the Schuster Center's Mathile Theatre. Participants must commit to missing up to 6 half-days from school. Adult roles will be replaced on the touring shows with teen actors in grades 6-12.

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FOR OUR PRESS CONTACTS: For an electronic copy of this press release please visit www.townhalltheatre.org and click on the Media Link in the upper right-hand corner.

For more information about Town Hall Theatre, including a complete listing of the 2009-2010 *Dreams Come True* Season, please contact the Box Office at **(937) 433-8957** or log on to our website at www.townhalltheatre.org.

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