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## National Touring Production of *Wizard of Oz* to Perform Locally

Bright Star Touring Theatre, a national professional touring theatre company based in Asheville, NC, is visiting the area with their performance of *Wizard of Oz*.

*Wizard of Oz* is a 45-minute, fast-paced version of the literary classic, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum. *Wizard of Oz* introduces audiences to the comic duo, "Lenny and Mabel," who lead us down the Yellow Brick Road to the land of Oz, meeting all of your favorite characters along the way. Gain courage with the Cowardly Lion, take heart with the Tin Man, and Find your wits with the Scarecrow in this fun interactive retelling. Seen by audiences across America, *Wizard of Oz* has become an audience favorite Bright Star production which is appreciated by audiences pre-K to adult.

Each year, Bright Star Touring Theatre serves nearly 2,000 audiences in schools, theaters, libraries, museums and more across the country. They offer a wide variety of curriculum-based programs ranging from *The Lady of Bullyburg* to *Heroes of the Underground Railroad*. "We travel with everything we need and we can perform just about anywhere," says Casting Director Emily Hubbard. "Our actors join us from all over the country and they sometimes visit ten different cities each week, playing a huge variety of characters. It's a great way for them to flex their acting muscles!" The company performs regularly at the National Theatre in Washington, DC and has gained international attention, having visited Russia and Germany with their productions. Information about all their interactive shows, including production videos, photos, study guides, and more, is available online at [www.brightstartheatre.com](http://www.brightstartheatre.com), or contact Bright Star Theatre directly at 336-558-7360.

**Bright Star Touring Theatre will appear at:**

**Venue:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date and Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Venue Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person for Program:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information:** \_\_\_\_\_