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An Audience Favorite, *Spookley the Square Pumpkin* Returns to Stages Theatre Company

HOPKINS, Minn., Sept. 26, 2019— Stages Theatre Company is excited to bring back by popular demand *Spookley the Square Pumpkin*! The heartfelt musical delivers a message of tolerance and kindness in a fun, accessible format that is easily grasped by young people. Based on the book by Joe Troiano with toe-tapping musical numbers by Jeff Zahn, the imaginative puppetry extravaganza sprouts into our Hopkins Jaycee Studio on September 27th and runs through October 27th, 2019.

Spookley the Square Pumpkin runs approximately 60 minutes with no intermission and is recommended for all ages. **Tickets are on sale now!** Visit www.stages theatre.org for specific performance dates and times or call the Box Office Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 6 pm at (952) 979-1111, option 4. Tickets are \$16 for adults; \$14 for seniors, ages 60+ and children.

Spookley the Square Pumpkin is a square pumpkin who lives in a round pumpkin world and is teased by the other pumpkins because of his odd shape. His new friends – three hilarious spiders named Edgar, Allan and Poe – try to convince Spookley that square or not, he has a right to be the Pick of the Patch on Halloween. Directed by Cody R. Braudt, the musical tale contains a message of accepting one another despite our differences. “It teaches us a powerful lesson that community grows over time through action and support,” said Braudt. “As others embrace Spookley for who he is, we find that our community is whole because our differences are celebrated.” Spookley – the Official Spokes Pumpkin for National Bullying Prevention Month



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as recognized by PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center – teaches us there are times when it is better to be square.

Spookley the Square Pumpkin publicity images and cast head shots are available for download here: <http://bit.ly/stcmedia-spookley>

ABOUT THE CAST AND CREW

The cast for *Spookley the Square Pumpkin* features:

Clair Champan (Edgar)	Miles Johnson (Allen)
Lynnea Doublette (Bobo)	Hayley Mullins (Understudy Spookley)
Sophie Farrell (Spookley)	Liam O'Mara (Poe)
David Gamache (Big Tom & Little Tom)	Matt Ouren (Jack Scarecrow)
Amy Horn (Lala)	Lilie Rankin (Mimi)
Chloe Johanson (Hay)	

The Creative & Production Team includes:

Artistic Director: Sandy Boren-Barrett	Lighting Designer: Karin Olson
Director: Cody R. Braudt	Costume & Make Up Designer: Lori Opsal
Props Designer: Marc Berg	Technical Director: Alan Pagel
Set Designer: Sarah Brandner	Stage Manager: Sandriea White
Music Director: James Lekatz	Assistant Stage Manager: Joya Horne
Costume Supervisor: Christa Ludwig	

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Stages Theatre Company was founded in 1984 and since then has grown to become one of the largest professional theatres for young audiences in the country. We engage young artists with themes relevant to their lives and involve them in creating magical works featuring young people in meaningful roles. Through on-stage productions, education programs and other outreach opportunities, Stages Theatre Company annually serves more than 150,000 young people and their families. For more information visit stagestheatre.org

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Stages Theatre Company is dedicated to creating a space where diverse opinions, courageous dialogue, and local, national, and international community engagement is not only valued, but vital to our shared artistic and educational success. We make this pledge in hope of curating a welcome home for all.

Stages Theatre Company is committed to the enrichment and education of children and youth in a professional theatre environment that stimulates artistic excellence and personal growth.