

Junie B. Jones is back for Spring Break! **The delightful antics of the much-beloved character** **Junie B. Jones on Stage at Main Street Theater**

She's baaaaaaaaaaaaaack! During SPRING BREAK ONLY, Main Street Theater is presenting *Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook!* Why is Junie B. such a favorite? "She is such a quirky, witty and honest little girl!" says MST Theater for Youth Producing Director Vivienne M. St. John. "Junie really wants to be good and do the right thing, but she always seems to land herself in to trouble. Kids love her because they can relate to her. Adults relate to her because while some of the things she says can be trying, she reminds them of the children in their lives. Junie brings a chuckle and a smile to all who read her stories or see her live on our stage!"

Adapted from the book series by Barbara Park, *Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook* will play Monday – Saturday, March 12 – 17 at 11:00am and 2:00pm and at MST's Midtown location, 3400 Main St. in Matchbox4. All tickets are on sale via phone at 713.524.6706 or online at MainStreetTheater.com. Tickets are \$16 - \$22, depending on section. Large print playbills are also available at Will Call.

Main Street Theater offers **Accommodations Performances**. March 12 at 11:00am is an American Sign Language interpreted performance. March 13 at 11:00am is a Sensory-Friendly performance. March 17 at 11:00am has an Audio Description opportunity available: just ask for a headset at Will Call.

About *Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook*

Something terrible happened to Junie B. at school today. Someone stole her new furry mittens! So when she finds a wonderful pen, she should be allowed to keep it, right? Junie B. Jones is not a crook...or is she? Join in on the fun with America's favorite kindergartener! **Recommended for Kindergarten grade and up. Children under the age of 3 (including sleeping babies) not allowed in the theater.**

The production is directed by Katie Harrison. The cast includes Cumira A. Bill, Von Gipson, Bethany Heinlein, Megan Jankovic, Jayden Key, Kierra McKay, and Prince Nnaji. The design team is Donna Southern Schmidt (costume), Liz Freese (set), J. Mitchell Cronin (lighting), Shawn W. St. John (sound), and Mark B. Robbins (props). Original costume design by Kerry Bechtel. Whitley Body is the stage manager.

About Main Street Theater

Main Street Theater provides theater experiences for all ages. Founded in 1975, our MainStage produces professional, intimate, literary plays for adults and operates under an Actors' Equity Association union contract; our Theater for Youth produces professional, engaging productions based on children's literature for families and school groups, both in-house and on tour around Texas; and we offer Education and Outreach programs on-site and at satellite locations around the Greater Houston area for youth aged 4 – high school. We work out of 2 facilities: our Rice Village home on Times. Blvd., and as part of the MATCH (Midtown Arts & Theater Center Houston) on Main Street.

Main Street Theater is a member of Theatre Communications Group (TCG), the national service organization for not-for-profit theaters, of Theatre for Young Audiences/USA (formerly ASSITEJ), the world theatre network of theatre for children and young people, and a founding member of Houston Arts Partners. Main Street Theater is funded in part by grants from the City of Houston through the Houston Arts Alliance, and the Texas Commission on the Arts. United Airlines is the official airline of Main Street Theater.

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