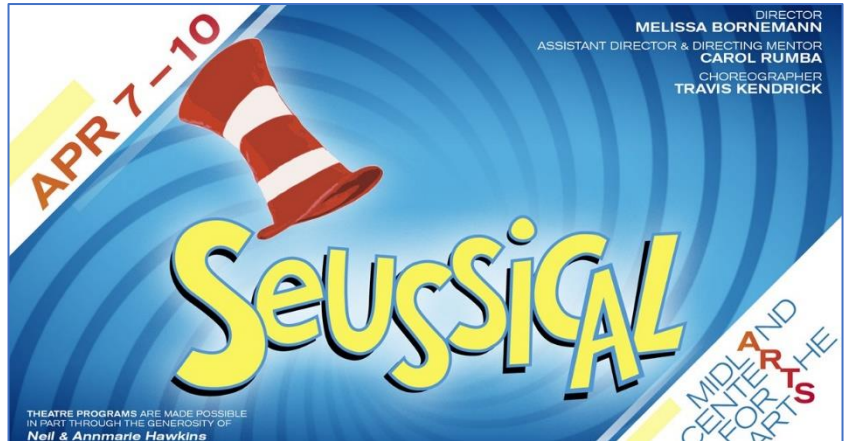


The Story of *Seussical the Musical*

Seussical the Musical is based on the works of Dr. Seuss, introducing us to all of his wacky, fun, characters.

The show is divided into songs, rather than scenes, that help move the story along.



This show is 90 minutes with no intermission, or break.

ACT I

Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!

We meet a young boy and the Cat in the Hat, who sings to him about the power of imagination. The Cat in the Hat introduces us to his friends, Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, the Mayor of Whoville and his Wife, General Genghis Khan Schmitz, Mayzie La Bird, the Sour Kangaroo, and the Citizens of the Jungle of Nool.

Horton Hears a Who

Horton the Elephant hears the teeny voices of the people living on a speck of dust, he decides to help the tiny people by putting the dust on a soft clover so he can watch over them.

Biggest Blame Fool

Seeing Horton take care of the speck of dust, the Sour Kangaroo and the rest of the Jungle Citizens make fun of him for being so silly.

Here on Who

Horton spends time learning more about the Whos that live in the speck of dust, including Jojo, the young boy from the very beginning of the show.

Oh, the Thinks You Can Think – Reprise

Jojo is scolded by his parents for letting his imagination run away with him, so he is sent to bed early. The Cat in the Hat appears and once again sings to Jojo about letting his imagination be free.

It's Possible

Jojo floods his house with bathwater imagining he is swimming in McEligott's Pool of fish. His parents get angry with him for being so careless and send him back to bed.

How to Raise a Child

Jojo's parents sing about how they do not understand his change in behavior or his imagination. The Cat in the Hat lies to them about a way to get their little boy back...

The Military

The next day, Jojo's parents take him to meet the General of a military school. They believe it will make Jojo better.

Alone in the Universe

Jojo, sad after his first day of the military academy, sings about how alone he feels. Horton hears Jojo singing and the two bond over how alone they both feel, realizing they have the same type of imagination.

The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz

Gertrude, alone in the jungle, writes *another* love song about Horton. She fears he doesn't notice her because her tail is so small, as she only has one feather.

Amazing Mayzie

Mayzie appears to Gertrude and gives her advice, with the help of some of her bird friends, about going to the doctor to help give Gertrude a new and improved tail.

Amazing Gertrude

The Cat in the Hat, disguised as a doctor, tells Gertrude that she can take pills to make her tail "amazing" – when Gertrude takes too many pills, the Cat in the Hat warns her that it could lead to trouble.

Monkey Around

The Wickersham Brothers, up to no good, steal the clover from Horton and get chased around by him. The brothers hand off the clover to Vlad Vladikoff, a black-bottomed eagle who flies off with it.

How Lucky You Are

Vlad Vladikoff drops the clover on the ground! The Cat in the Hat freezes time to sing to the audience about Horton's luck and how it really isn't all that lucky. He unfreezes time and we see the clover fall into a field full of other clovers.

Notice Me, Horton

As Horton scours the field checking each clover one-by-one to find the Whos, Gertrude flaunts her new tail trying to get his attention. Horton doesn't even look at her. Gertrude becomes sad and leaves.

How Lucky You Are – Reprise

Mayzie La Bird calls to Horton as he continues to search, she is very bored after sitting on her nest all day. Calling to Horton for help, she gets him to sit on the nest to keep her egg warm while she takes a break.

Horton Sits on the Egg

Horton sits on the nest as seasons pass, he has been sitting there for a very very long time. The Whos are still lost in the clover field, and Gertrude still cannot get Horton to notice her. Hunters arrive and steal both Horton and the egg! Gertrude tries to help but her tail is far too big for her to fly anymore.

Egg, Nest, and Tree

Horton is carried away by the hunters to New York, where he is auctioned off to the circus. The audience gets to bid on Horton in this song, as the Cat in the Hat is the auctioneer.

The Circus McGurkus

Horton is the main attraction of the Circus McGurkus, and they travel around the country. Horton worries about Jojo and Whoville, and also wonders if Mayzie will ever get to return to her egg.

Mayzie in Palm Beach

The circus goes to Palm Beach, where Horton runs into Mayzie, who is still on her vacation. Horton becomes angry and demands she take her egg back.

Amazing Horton

Mayzie encourages Horton to keep her egg, saying he is a better parent than her. She leaves before Horton can give her the egg back.

Alone in the Universe – Reprise

Horton decides to keep looking after Mayzie’s egg, even though he still worries for Jojo and the Whos.

Green Eggs and Ham II

The general of the military school and his cadets head off to war to fight the “Butter Side Downers,” who eat their bread the wrong way, and Jojo confronts the General about how silly the war is. Jojo quits the school and walks off into a minefield where we hear an explosion sound.

The Whos Christmas Pageant

In Whoville, the Grinch leads the Christmas pageant until General Schmitz enters to tell Jojo’s parents that he has been lost in the war. The Cat in the Hat sings about how Jojo survived but is confused and lost. Jojo is led home by the Cat in the Hat.

The People Versus Horton the Elephant

Horton finally finds the Whos on their clover until he is arrested by the Sour Kangaroo and the Wickersham Brothers. He is then put on trial for speaking to a speck of dust. The judge wants the speck to be boiled in oil, but Horton tells the Whos to start screaming so they can be heard to prove their existence.

Yopp!: The Whoville Cry

The Whos scream loud enough to be heard just as Mayzie’s egg cracks open to reveal an Elephant Bird. Gertrude and Horton agree to look after the baby together. As the characters vanish, Jojo, now the young boy once again, puts a red-and-white-striped hat on his head.

CURTAIN CALL: The actors will come out on stage to bow and sing more to the audience celebrating the end of the story!

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