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Center Stage Productions Presents, Not One, Not Two, but Three Musicals This Summer!

Marysville, Calif., July 15, 2025 – Center Stage Productions is the region's preeminent youth performing arts organization. Now in its third year of collaboration with Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture, this summer it will present three musicals; the *Aristocats KIDS*, the *Music Man* and *Mary Poppins Jr.* Corey and Morgan Kersting, are the founders of Center Stage Productions. Corey is a music and theater educator in the Yuba City Unified School District and is also the artistic director of the Yuba-Sutter Symphony Orchestra. Morgan is an administrator at Studio B Ballet Academy in Yuba City. The entire Center Stage ensemble this summer features 100 local youth performers ages 7-17.

"We are so excited to be presenting these shows for our community," said Corey. We have worked with some of these students since the beginning of Center Stage and it has been an inspiring experience watching these young performers grow over the years in addition to welcoming new student performers each season," he added.

Disney's The Aristocats KIDS! is presented by Center Stage Productions' Youth Academy. The story goes that when a retired opera singer leaves her inheritance to her cats, the woman's butler abandons the cats in the countryside in order to inherit the fortune himself. Lost in unfamiliar territory, the cats, now accompanied by an alley cat, return to their home in Paris. The timeless classic, *Music Man*, is about Professor Harold Hill, a charismatic con man, who arrives in River City, Iowa, planning to sell the townspeople band instruments and uniforms for a boys' band he has no intention of forming. However, his scheme is complicated when he falls for Marian Paroo, the skeptical librarian who sees through his deception. Ultimately, Harold's love for Marian and the positive impact he has on the town lead him to become a genuine music man, and he wins Marian's heart. In *Disney's Mary Poppins*, a magical nanny, flies into the lives of the Banks children, bringing order and joy to their chaotic household. She takes Jane and Michael on fantastical adventures with her friend Bert, helping them connect with their parents and rediscovering the importance of family. When her work is done, she simply floats away.

Aristocats will be performed July 25 @ 7pm & July 26 @ 4pm and 7pm. *Music Man* will be performed July 31 @ 7pm, August 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, @7pm and August 2 and 9 @1pm. *Mary Poppins* will be performed August 3 and 10 @ 1pm and 4pm and on August 4 and 11 @ 6:30pm. All performances will be held at the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts, 754 Plumas Street, Yuba City. Plenty of free parking is available on the streets and parking lots adjacent to the theater.

Center Stage Productions was started with the vision to give youth in the Yuba-Sutter area an opportunity to participate in fully staged musicals in their local community. We are so happy to have them back this summer with these three exceptional musical productions. This is your chance to support local youth performing arts programs. *Artistocats* and *Mary Poppins* tickets are \$10 each and *Music Man* tickets are \$15. Tickets are available at yubasutterarts.org, or by calling (530)742-ARTS.

About YSA: Yuba Sutter Arts is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide arts programming, education, advocacy, assistance and service to artists, organizations and residents of Yuba and Sutter Counties. The local affiliate for Yuba and Sutter of the California Arts Council, its programs include Arts in Education, Veterans Initiatives in the Arts, Arts in Corrections, Very Special Arts Festival, Harvest the Arts and many more.

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