

Classic Characters Join Cast at Kodak Theatre

The first U.S. live touring stage production of "Playhouse Disney Live!", featuring all of the characters from four shows in Disney Channel's popular "Playhouse Disney" program block for preschoolers, is coming to the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood on Saturday, September 27.

"Playhouse Disney Live!" spotlights characters from "Mickey Mouse Clubhouse", "Little Einsteins", "Handy Manny" and "My Friends Tigger & Pooh". The show represents the first time that characters from the popular block of Disney Channel's Playhouse Disney programs will be together on the same stage, creating interactive moments for children and their families.

The original storyline follows the colorful cast as they set off in their own unique ways to create and contribute songs and music for an unforgettable musical party at Mickey's Clubhouse.

"Playhouse Disney Live!" brings the TV shows to life and engages children in an experience with the characters they love to watch on Disney Channel every day," said



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The "Playhouse Disney Live!" show will feature many of the classic characters, and is coming to the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood.

feel as if the 'Playhouse Disney' stars jumped out of the screen and onto the stage right before their eyes. From Mickey and pals to the globetrotting Little Einsteins, everyone comes together to share the universal language of music with children everywhere."

Thomas Schumacher, president

added,

"Playhouse Disney Live!" will be held at the Kodak Theatre on Saturday, September 27 at noon, 3:00pm and 6:00pm. Tickets are \$20 to \$65. To order tickets, call (213)480-3232, or visit the website at www.playhousedisneylive.com.

'Soirée With the Swans' Event Benefits Children's Bureau

After six very successful years of "Polo in the Park", The League for Children, a fundraising auxiliary for Children's Bureau, decided to leave the horses in the stable to celebrate with the swans.

Chaired by Elise Pasetta and Marie Humphreys, this year's fundraising event, titled "Soirée with the Swans", will be held on Sunday, September 21 at the Hotel Bel-Air.

Guests will enjoy a garden luncheon, live entertainment and a silent auction. The League for Children will also honor George W. Fenimore, a longtime volunteer leader and supporter of Children's Bureau. "Soirée with the Swans" will provide much-needed funds for the preschool at Children's Bureau's new Magnolia Place Family Center, located near downtown Los Angeles. Kindergarten readiness is a pri-

mary goal of the new center, and the preschool will provide the opportunity to prepare hundreds of children each year to enter school with the skills and knowledge they need to be successful. For the past 22 years, The League for Children has raised more than \$2.8 million in charitable funds to help benefit Children's Bureau, a 104-year-old nonprofit leader in the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect.

More than 14,000 children and their families are served each year throughout Southern California with programs that include foster care and adoption, parenting classes, family resource centers, mental health counseling and support groups.

For more information on the "Soirée With the Swans" or the Children's Bureau, call (213)342-0100, or visit the website at www.all4kids.org.