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Arts Club Theatre Company presents

## Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*

Music by Alan Menken  
Lyrics by Howard Ashman & Tim Rice  
Book by Linda Woolverton

**December 6, 2007 – January 6, 2008**

Media opening: Friday, December 7, 2007

**Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage**

VANCOUVER, B.C.— “Tale as old as time, song as old as rhyme.” The Arts Club Theatre Company is thrilled to announce that Vancouver’s new holiday tradition, *Disney’s Beauty and the Beast*, will make its dazzling return to the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage for a limited engagement holiday run. This much-loved spectacle, brilliantly adapted from the Academy Award–winning animated film, has already delighted over 65,000 audience members with its show-stopping musical numbers, astonishing sets, and lavish costumes.

Be our guest when the magic returns!

The cast of *Disney’s Beauty and the Beast* includes **Steve Maddock** as the Beast, **Amy Wallis** as Belle, **Jonathan Winsby** as Gaston, **Peter Jorgensen** as Lumiere, **Monique Lund** as Babette, **Sandy Winsby** as Maurice, **Josh Epstein** as Lefou, **Shawn Macdonald** as Cogsworth, **Susan Anderson** as Mrs. Potts, **Dorothy Hosie** as Madame de la Grande Bouche, **Mark Weatherley** as Monsieur D’Arque with **Scott Augustine**, **Kristi Frank**, **Sylvie Charlotte Gosse**, **Troy V. McLaughlin**, **Jessica Marino**, **Laura Nason**, **Joel Sturrock**, **Vincent Tong**, **Abigail Winter-Culliford**, **Melissa Young**.

Director: **Bill Millerd**. Musical Director: **Bruce Kellett**. Choreographer: **Valerie Easton**. Musicians: **Graham Boyle**, **Henry Christian**, **Neil Nicholson**, **Ken Cormier**, **Sasha Niechoda**. Design Team: **Alison Green** (set), **Marsha Sibthorpe** (lights), **Rebekka Sorensen** (costumes), **Chris Daniels** (sound). Stage Management: **Caryn Fehr**, **Rachel Bland**.

### WHAT CRITICS SAY

“It’s a holiday hit for the whole family” —Peter Birnie, *The Vancouver Sun*  
“Holiday family hit makes magnificent return” —*The Vancouver Sun*  
“A gorgeous production in every way” —Jo Ledingham, *The Vancouver Courier*  
“Dazzlingly handsome...fantastically well performed” —Colin Thomas, *The Georgia Straight*  
“A surefire holiday hit” —Jerry Wasserman, *The Province*

**IN BRIEF:** Arts Club Theatre Company presents *Disney’s Beauty and the Beast* at the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage (2750 Granville St., at 12<sup>th</sup> Ave.) for a limited engagement from December 6, 2007 to January 6, 2008. Tickets are \$42–67 inclusive of tax and fees with discounts for students, seniors, and groups. Call the Arts Club Box Office at 604.687.1644 or visit [artsclub.com](http://artsclub.com).

### PRINCESS MATINEES

- Sunday December 9 & 16

### SHOWTIMES

- Wednesday 1 pm & 7 pm
- Thursday 7 pm
- Friday 8 pm
- Saturday 2 pm & 8 pm
- Sunday 1 pm & 6:30 pm

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The Arts Club Theatre Company, now in its 44th season, is a not-for-profit registered charity based in Vancouver, British Columbia, that operates two theatres on a year-round basis, the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage and the Granville Island Stage. The company also tours a three-show mini-season throughout the province annually.

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