

Children's Stage Adventures Seeks 50 Town/School Youngsters for Play Students to be cast in classic tale of Oliver Twist

Auditions for the Children's Stage Adventures musical production of *Oliver Twist* will be held at 9:30 a.m., Monday, Jan. 10, 2011, at Cave Hill School in Eastbrook.

Approximately 50 Cave Hill School children, grades kindergarten through grade 8, will be cast to appear in the show with CSA actors/educators Ben Regan and Lorrie Gray. Additional students will form a chorus so that all students at the school will be involved in this production.

The performance will take place on Friday, Jan. 14, 2011 at 6pm.

Oliver Twist is an original musical adaptation of the classic Dickens' tale of the orphaned boy whose good and sturdy spirit support him through the difficult and exciting times of growing up in Victorian England. Enjoy all the fascinating characters involved in Oliver's life: the Artful Dodger, Fagin, the menacing Bill Sikes and the kind hearted Nancy. The story follows Oliver from the miseries of the workhouse to the dangerous streets of London where he becomes involved in a plot containing mystery, robbery, and kidnapping. All is resolved when Oliver's true identity is discovered and he finds a home and happiness with his Great Uncle, Mr. Brownlow.

Rehearsals will be conducted every day of the week prior to performances. Ben Regan, from Long Branch, NJ, and Chandra Diesel, from Stuart, VA, will be the team of Actor/Educators from Children's Stage Adventures. This is Chandra and Ben's first tour with CSA, though both have extensive backgrounds working with children in theatre.

2010 – '11 is Children's Stage Adventures twelfth year touring across the northeast US, with 55+ residencies scheduled. Based in Sullivan, NH, CSA is a non-profit organization supported in part by charitable donations. This coming year hundreds of cast members will take to the stage to the delight and applause of their families, friends, communities, neighbors and teachers.

The residency at Cave Hill School is made possible by the Cave Hill CSO, private donations and a grant from the Fast Track Grant Program of the Maine Community Foundation. Come out and support the youth of our community while enjoying a great show. For more information call the school office at 565-3638 or email Ginny Dennison at gdennison@rsu24.org.