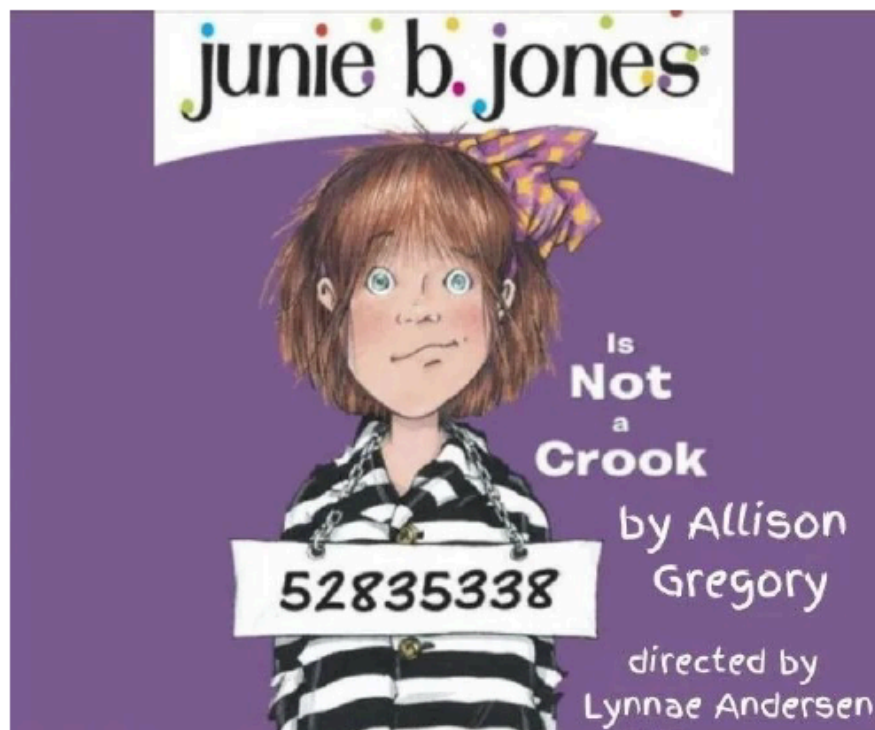


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Folk Tails

By Lisa L. Abbott

Blue Springs South High School
Performing Arts Center
Blue Springs, MO 64014

July 25, 26 & 27, 2024 at 7:30 PM
July 28 at 2:00 PM



Folk Tails

By Lisa L. Abbott

**Directed by
Vickie Miller**

Produced by special arrangement with Pioneer
Drama Service, Denver, Colorado



Junie B Jones is Not a Crook

By Allison Gregory

**Directed by
Lynnae Anderson**

Based on the books JUNIE B. JONES IS NOT A CROOK
and JUNIE B. JONES LOVES HANDSOME WARREN by
Barbara Park

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A note from the director....

Wowie-wow-wow! We are so excited that you have joined Junie B. Jones and her Kindergarten friends for these lessons on friendship and honesty. As an English teacher and child of the 90s, it has been a blast bringing *Junie B. Jones to life on stage. As you step into Junie's world, I invite you to reminisce about your own early elementary days. While times may have changed, the memories of friends, favorite possessions, and the lessons you learned along the way are universal.*

The last nine weeks have been a sort summer school classroom for us. In our time together, we have certainly learned about theatre: stage directions, lines and projection, and how to interact with props, but we also became friends, learning lessons that will carry us through life. One of those lessons is how to be yourself, even when portraying a character on stage. While all directors work with actors to ensure their personalities shine in a production, youth actors bring creative and inspiring visions.

Cast members provided their own costumes, dressing as they imagined Junie and her classmates would dress in a modern setting. The set pieces are minimal, and sometimes disproportionate, so you can focus on the characters themselves and how they perceive the world. I wanted the audience to fall into a kid's drawing, so the backgrounds are made up of crayon and marker drawings created by cast members and compiled by our Assistant Director (and one of my new bestest friends), Julie Pierce.

I hope this show inspires the kid and you. Whether you were the fastest, richest, handsomest, or kookiest kid in school, I thank you for supporting these rising thespians and Blue Springs City Theatre. Enjoy the show!

Lynnae Andersen, director

Folk Tails

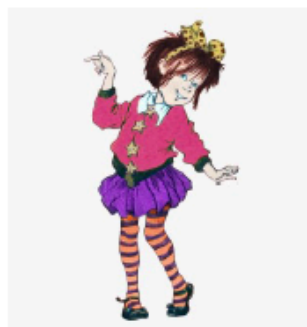
Synopsis

Folk Tails is a collection of animal stories from various cultures around the world that convey moral lessons and timeless themes.

Junie B. Jones is Not a Crook

Synopsis

Something terrible happened to Junie B. Jones at school today! Someone stole her new furry mittens! So when Junie B. finds a wonderful pen of many colors, she should be allowed to keep it, right? Because finders keepers, losers weepers. And guess what? There's a new boy in kindergarten and he is the handsomest. The only thing is both Grace and Lucille want him to be *their boyfriend*. Maybe he will love Junie B. when he sees her wonderful pen! It is okay to keep it, right? Junie B. Jones is not a crook . . . or is she? A hilarious and heartfelt tale based on the best-selling book series by Barbara Park.



Scenes

Folk Tails

Introduction

The Monkey's Heart

Anansi's Dinner Guest

The Bremen Town Musicians

Conclusion



Junie B Jones is Not a Crook

TIME: Today, and a couple of days after that.

Act One

No Good Reason The playground

Fur Hands Room Nine

Horses The playground

Lost and Found Principal's office

Intermission

Act Two

Not a Nutball Room Nine

Fibers The playground

Grampa's Wallet Junie B.'s bedroom

Mittens The playground

Not a Crook Principal's office

Princess Clothes Junie B.'s kitchen

Folk Tails Cast

Storyteller, Actor 7 – Orion Sullivan

Crocodile 1, Anansi, Actor 2 – Scarlett Sullivan

Crocodile 2, Water, Rooster, Actor 10 – Lucy Vander Vennet

Crocodile 3, Water, Mouse, Actor 9 - Kohen Buys

Crocodile 4, Water, Robber 2, Actor 6 - Charlotte Ainsworth

Monkey, Actor 8 – Kai Walker

Monkey Pal, Dog, Actor 5 – Evie Pierce

Monkey Pal 2, Spider, Mouse - Hunter Reznak

Turtle, Robber 1, Actor 4 – Josie Mizell

Donkey, Actor 1, Water – Melody Blakeman

Cat, Actor 3, Water – Lucy Lawson

Robber 3 – Tori Reznak



Junie B. Jones is Not a Crook

Cast

Junie B. Jones – Gwendolyn Stoll
Lucille – Abby Pierce
Grace – Addison McClain
Handsome Warren – Jett Henson
Mrs. - Emerson Stracener
Jim – Frankie Batton
Mother – Emma Crist
Principal – Elliott Meredith
Ricardo – William Hook
Grampa Frank Miller – Kristian Buys
Grouchy Typing Lady – Teaghan Kendall
Pink Fluffy Girl – Charlotte Ainsworth
Mitten Crook – Orion Sullivan
Live Fireman – Kai Walker
Lucille’s Grandpa – Kohen Buys
Parrot – Lucy Lawson
Dictionary Girl - Melody Blakeman

Choir

Charlotte Ainsworth	Josie Mizell
Melody Blakeman	Evie Pierce
Kohen Buys	Orion Sullivan
Kristian Buys	Scarlett Sullivan
Emma Crist	Lucy Vander Vennet
Lucy Lawson	Kai Walker

Crew

Director (Junie B. Jones) – Lynnae Andersen

Director (Folk Tails) – Vickie Miller

Stage Manager – Julie Pierce

Production Intern – Katie Kondas

Lighting Designer – Gracie Havard

Sound Designer – Elvis Frazier

Spotlight operator - Bella Secundino

Scenic Projections created by the cast and compiled by
Julie Pierce



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All our parents who supported their kids in this venture.

Thank you

Coming soon!



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A Note From the Blue Springs City Theatre Board of Directors.....



Welcome to our production of "Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook!" with "Folk Tails." We are thrilled to have you join us for this delightful adaptation of Barbara Park's beloved children's book. Junie B. Jones, with her boundless energy and unmistakable charm, has captivated readers for generations. Her adventures remind us all of the simple truths about honesty, friendship, and understanding that resonate with audiences of all ages.

And, before we dive into Junie B.'s world, we are excited to present our pre-show production, "Folk Tails." This charming series of folk tales celebrates the rich tapestry of cultural heritage and storytelling traditions. Performed by a talented ensemble, "Folk Tails" sets the stage to stretch your imagination.

This production has been a true labor of love, brought to life by a dedicated team of directors, actors, and behind-the-scenes crew. Their hard work and passion are evident in every scene, and we are incredibly proud of what they have achieved.

Special Thanks: We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our sponsors, volunteers, and the local community. Your support is the backbone of our theatre, enabling us to continue bringing quality performances to the Blue Springs community.

Join Us: We invite you to immerse yourself in the world of Junie B. Jones and enjoy the colorful tales in "Folk Tails," where every moment is an adventure and every character has a story to tell. We hope these performances bring as much joy to your hearts as they have to ours during their creation.

Thank you for being here and for your continued support of the arts in Blue Springs. Enjoy the show!

Warm regards,

The Board of Directors Blue Springs City Theatre



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◆ Production Coordinator ◆ Mentor Coordinator ◆ Choreographer

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Application deadline July 28, 2024