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NATIONAL 7-THEATRE CO-COMMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER JUDY MOODY PREMIERES IN GLEN ECHO

GLEN ECHO, MD —[Adventure Theatre MTC](#) (ATMTC), recent recipient of three 2017 [Helen Hayes Awards](#), brings to the stage the world premiere play supported in part by the National Endowment of the Arts, *Judy Moody & Stink: The Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Treasure Hunt*, directed by Mitchell Herbert. Based on the international bestselling books by Megan McDonald, illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds, and published by Candlewick Press, Inc., this exciting tale of Judy and Stink racing to find treasure on a family vacation is recommended for all ages and opens April 20, 2018. Tickets are \$19.50 each and can be purchased online at www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org or by calling 301-634-2270.

Michael J. Bobbitt, artistic director of Adventure Theatre MTC in Glen Echo, Maryland, gathered a group of seven like-minded children's theatres nationwide to gauge interest in commissioning a play based on two of the Judy Moody books. Along with his theatre, six others —[Bay Area Children's Theatre](#) in Oakland, California; [Children's Theatre of Charlotte](#) in Charlotte, North Carolina; [First Stage](#) in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; [Oregon Children's Theatre](#) in Portland, Oregon; [Orlando Repertory Theatre](#) in Orlando, Florida; and the [Rose Theater](#) in Omaha, Nebraska — agreed to collaborate.

Third grade has put Judy Moody in a mood. She's got to figure out what to include in her "Me" collage, and her know-it-all little brother Stink keeps getting in the way. When the Moody family drops anchor on Ockracoke Island, they meet Scurvy Sam with a secret treasure map, launching them on a mad dash across the island in search of gold and a prized-shirt. But they're not the only salty dogs lookin' for loot! Can Judy Moody and Stink outwit their competition in time? Will Judy finish her project? Come aboard as we launch this world premiere and find out!

"This is a remarkable nationwide collaboration among some of the country's best children's theatres," Bobbitt said.

"It's a level of partnership, quite frankly, I've never seen which will contribute significantly to the development and polish of the story during its run here in Glen Echo and nationwide. American patrons will be left with a delightful and satisfying piece of children's theatre that has been tested across lots of different audiences and stages, and our local audiences will be a large part of that."

Judy Moody & Stink: The Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Treasure Hunt is recommended for Ages 4+. Tickets are \$19.50 each with Flexpass, group, and field trip rates available. **The press performance will be Sunday, April 22, 2018 at 2pm.** All performances will take place at Adventure Theatre MTC, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo, MD, 20812 in the historic Glen Echo Park. For more information about Adventure Theatre MTC or *Judy Moody & Stink: The Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Treasure Hunt*, call 301-634-2270 or visit www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org.

ABOUT ADVENTURE THEATRE MTC

Adventure Theatre MTC educates and inspires new generations of theater artists and audiences with exceptional theatrical experiences.

JUDY MOODY & STINK: THE MAD, MAD, MAD, MAD **TREASURE HUNTFACT SHEET**

Adapted for the stage by Allison Gregory

Based on the books by Megan McDonald and illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds. Published by Candlewick Press, Inc.

(April 20 – June 3, 2018)

CAST (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

Judy Moody..... Kelsey Painter
Stink..... Phil Da Costa
Mom/Cap'n Mom..... Megan Dominy
Dad/Pegleg Dad..... Frank Britton
Tall Boy..... Philip Kershaw
Smart Girl..... Heather A. Gibson
Scurvy Sam..... Todd Scofield
Judy Moody Understudy..... Shawneé Owens

PRODUCTION TEAM

Director..... Mitchell Hebert
Asst & Movement Director..... Kathy Gordon
Costume Designer..... Kristen P Ahern
Set Designer..... Paige Hathaway
Lighting Designer..... Sarah Tundermann
Sound Designer..... Neil McFadden
Props & Puppets Designer..... Dre Moore
Stage Manager..... Brittany Truske
Asst. Stage Manager..... Erica Feidelseit
Replacement Stage Manager..... Keta Newborn
Master Electrician..... Will Voorhies
Scenic Charge..... Amy Kellett

IMPORTANT DATES/SPECIAL EVENTS

Production Run Dates – April 20 – June 3, 2018
Press Opening – April 22, 2018 at 2pm
Pay What You Can Performance- April 20, 2018 at 7pm
Pajama Party with free milk & cookies- April 20, 2018 at 7pm
American Sign Language Interpreted Performance – April 28, 2018 at 2pm
Sensory/Autism Friendly Performance- May 19, 2018 at 2pm