

## **The Little Prince lands on Geordie Productions' Mainstage!**

*The little things get the big treatment in Geordie's stage adaptation of a well-loved and timeless classic.*

**Montreal, October 30, 2008** - Geordie Productions is proud to open its 2008-2009 Mainstage Series with Antoine de Saint-Exupéry's classic, *The Little Prince*, playing at the D.B. Clarke Theatre from November 28 – December 7, 2008. The adaptation, written by Montrealer **LUCIANA BURCHERI** is directed by **DEAN PATRICK FLEMING**.

From the popular book that has delighted generations of readers with its simple story filled with profound messages, Geordie Productions follows in the tradition of last season's successful *The Jungle Book* to bring together some of the finest professional artists in Montreal to create innovative and entertaining theatre that is as relevant for adults as it is for children.

A crash-landed aviator meets a curious little Prince from a house-size asteroid while stranded in the desert. As the open-hearted Little Prince recounts tales of characters he has met in his intergalactic travels, the Aviator is gently reminded of the simple truths that people seem to forget as they grow older.

Award-winning designers **ANA CAPPELLUTO** (set and lighting) and **JAMES LAVOIE** (costumes) interpret Exupéry's iconic illustrations with large-scale set designs and ingenious costumes to transport the audience from the Sahara desert to far-off planets. Original music composed by **HARRY STANDJOFSKI** provides a jazzy soundtrack played by the ensemble cast live onstage. Stage management is provided by **MELANIE ST-JACQUES**.

The impressive cast includes experienced actors familiar to both adults and children: **DANNY BROCHU** (*The Haunted Hillbilly*, Sidemart Theatrical Grocery and the voice of Buster Baxter on PBS's hit show, *Arthur*) as the title character, **CHIP CHUIPKA** (*My Old Lady*, Segal Centre and Shere Khan in Geordie Productions' *The Jungle Book*), **DANIELLE DESORMEAUX** (*The Anger In Ernest and Ernestine*, Hudson Village Theatre), **MARCEL JEANNIN** (*The Odd Couple*, Segal Centre and *Relative Good*, Centaur Theatre), and audience favourite, **HARRY STANDJOFSKI** (*The Jungle Book*, Geordie Productions).

Since the first publication of the book in 1943, *The Little Prince* has sold over 80 million copies, been translated into more than 180 languages, and still continues to captivate new generations of young readers.

### **The Little Prince | WORLD PREMIERE ADAPTATION**

Adaptation by Luciana Burcheri, based on the story by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry | Directed by Dean Patrick Fleming

**PERFORMANCES:** November 28 – December 7, 2008 | Opening night: Nov. 28 at 7:00pm |

Weekend Family Performances: Nov. 29 at 3:00pm; Nov. 30, Dec. 6 and Dec. 7 at 1:00pm & 3:00pm |

School Matinées: December 2 – December 5, 10am & 12pm (limited seats left)

**VENUE:** D.B. Clarke Theatre, Concordia University Hall Building | 1455 de Maisonneuve W, Montreal.

**TICKETS (ON SALE NOW):** \$13.50 children, \$16 adults; \$15 seniors; all prices include tax | Group rates available

**AGE RECOMMENDATION:** Children age 5+ and adults of all ages | 60 minutes

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