

**Geordie Productions presents a classic favourite with
a world premiere adaptation of *The Jungle Book***

Montreal, March 27, 2008 - Geordie Productions is thrilled to present the world premiere of *The Jungle Book* in a new adaptation by Tracey Power, as part of Geordie's Montreal Mainstage Series at the D.B. Clarke Theatre, from April 25th to May 4th, 2008. DEAN PATRICK FLEMING, director of last season's acclaimed *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* returns to bring Rudyard Kipling's classic coming-of-age tale alive in an ambitious production featuring some of the finest actors and designers in Montreal. A theatrical feast for the eyes, *The Jungle Book* is truly theatre for the whole family to enjoy (recommended for ages 6 & up).

Orphaned in the jungle as an infant and adopted by a wolf pack, young Mowgli the man-cub is taught the Laws of the Jungle by Baloo the bear and Bagheera the panther. As Mowgli discovers himself and his place as a human, the jungle's greatest menace Shere Khan the Bengal Tiger prepares to finish the kill he abandoned years ago.

A stunning set design by AMY KEITH along with inventive lighting by award-winning designer ANA CAPPELLUTO unveils the mysterious depths of the jungle on the stage. Monkeys, hyena, wolves and more come to life with SUSANA VERA's costumes & masks while percussionist KRISTIE IBRAHIM will be onstage creating the soundscape of lush jungle rhythms. Stage management is provided by MELANIE ST-JACQUES.

The accomplished ensemble cast include: QUINCY ARMORER (*Romeo & Juliet*, Centaur Theatre), GLENDA BRAGANZA (*Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, Geordie Productions), CHIP CHUIPKA (*My Old Lady*, Segal Centre), PAULA JEAN HIXSON (*Housekeeping and Homewrecking*, Théâtre St. Catherine), HARRY STANDJOFSKI (*Hellfire Pass*, Centaur Theatre), and introducing OLIVER KOOMSATIRA as Mowgli.

Canadian playwright-actor Tracey Power won over the hearts of Montrealers on her cross-Canada tour of *Living Shadows, A Story of Mary Pickford*, declared by CBC Montreal as "The Best Show of The Montreal Fringe" in 2006. *The Jungle Book* is her first adaptation and was developed with the assistance of Brian Dooley, the Citadel Theatre Play Development Program and Playwright's Workshop Montreal.

About Geordie Theatre Productions

Geordie is a professional theatre company that has presented live English-language theatre for young audiences for over twenty-five years. Based in Montreal, **Geordie's School Tour** travels extensively from the Far North to all across Quebec, Ontario and the Maritimes, bringing many communities their only opportunity to see live theatre. Geordie's **Montreal Mainstage Series** presents both well-loved classics and exciting new work by contemporary Canadian playwrights to families and school groups at the D.B. Clarke Theatre in downtown Montreal.

The Jungle Book | WORLD PREMIERE

Adaptation by Tracey Power, based on the stories by Rudyard Kipling | Directed by Dean Patrick Fleming

PERFORMANCES: April 25 - May 4, 2008 | Opening night: April 25 at 7:00pm |

Weekend Family Performances: April 26 at 3:00pm; April 27, May 3 and May 4 at 1:00pm & 3:00pm |

School Matinées: April 25 to May 2, 10am & 12pm (limited seats left)

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

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

AGE RECOMMENDATION: Children ages 6+ and adults of all ages | 60 minutes

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