

WESTPORT COUNTRY PLAYHOUSE

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Westport Country Playhouse's Family Festivities Series Presents Musical Adventure "The Magic School Bus" on Sunday, June 4

Westport Country Playhouse's Family Festivities Series will present the new musical adventure, "The Magic School Bus™: Lost in the Solar System," on Sunday, June 4, at 1 and 4 p.m. The show is based on the original book series published by Scholastic. Produced by TheaterWorksUSA, performances are approximately one-hour in length, and appropriate for grades K-5. Tickets are \$25 each.

When the class gets lost on the way to the planetarium, Ms. Frizzle saves the day by blasting into outer space for an epic interplanetary field trip. But when rivalries both old and new threaten to tear the students apart, the young heroes must learn to pull together or risk getting forever lost in the solar system.

More information at <https://www.westportplayhouse.org/show/the-magic-school-bus/>
Show trailer at <https://youtu.be/9ZG56h9fNeY>

Music and lyrics for "The Magic School Bus™: Lost in the Solar System" are by Matthew Lee Robinson, book by Marshall Paillet, original direction and choreography by Connor Gallagher (2018 Recipient of the Jerry Zaks Directing Fellowship), scenic design by Jason Sherwood, and costume design by Sarah Cabbage.

TheaterWorksUSA, the producing company, has led the Theater for Young and Family Audiences movement in New York City and across North America for over half a century. Since 1962, the 501(c)3 not-for-profit has captured the imaginations of 100 million new and veteran theatergoers with an award-winning repertoire of over 130 original plays and musicals. In addition to touring 11 family productions around the country, TheaterWorksUSA's season highlights include the Broadway production of "The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical," and the world premieres of two *New York Times* Critic's Picks, "Dog Man: The Musical" and "The Pout-Pout Fish."

Education programming at Westport Country Playhouse is generously supported by Roz and Bud Siegel.

All play titles, artists, dates, and times are subject to change.

For more information and to buy tickets, visit www.westportplayhouse.org, or call the box office at (203) 227-4177, toll-free at 1-888-927-7529, or visit Westport Country Playhouse, 25 Powers Court, off Route

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ABOUT WESTPORT COUNTRY PLAYHOUSE

Founded in 1931, the mission of Westport Country Playhouse is to enrich, enlighten, and engage the community through the power of professionally produced theater of the highest caliber and the welcoming experience of the Playhouse campus. The not-for-profit Playhouse provides this experience in multiple ways by offering live theater experiences of the highest quality, under the artistic direction of Mark Lamos; educational and community engagement events to further explore the work on stage; the New Works Initiative, a program dedicated to the discovery, development, and production of new live theatrical works; special performances and programs for students and teachers with extensive curriculum support material; Script in Hand play readings to deepen relationships with audiences and artists; the renowned Woodward Internship Program during the summer months for aspiring theater professionals; Family Festivities presentations to delight young and old alike and to promote reading through live theater; and the beautiful and historic Playhouse campus open for enjoyment and community events year-round.

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