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H-Town Youth Theatre
A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail

Healdsburg, California - The Raven Youth Troupe is proud to present its annual musical production of *A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail*, Saturday, December 10 and 17 at 11:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m.; Sunday, December 11 and 18 at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and Monday, December 19 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the Raven Theater in Healdsburg, California. Tickets are \$10 for everyone 2-years-old and up and can be purchased at the door.

A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail is a story that celebrates friendship, caring and sharing. The musical takes Winnie the Pooh (Malloy Schaffner) and his friends in the 100-acre wood on an adventure to find Eeyore's (Abigail Miranda) tail before the annual Christmas party. Everyone's favorite characters, Piglet (Zuzu Morgan), Tigger (Bella Maxwell), Rabbit (Sammie Moore), Kanga (Lucy Carroll), Christopher Robin (Harrison Williams) and Owl (Grace Proschold) take to the stage to help for this lighthearted holiday tale. The show is based upon the Winnie the Pooh book series by A.A. Milne.

"H-Town Youth Theatre had great shows the last 2 years with Winnie the Pooh," says Director Michelle Proschold. "After 2 years our program continues to attract very talented youth and this cast in particular is very strong and experienced. I expect another great show."

Proschold along with her husband Matthew began H-Town Youth Theatre last Spring hoping to establish a long term community children's theater company in Healdsburg that now includes three shows a year and summer drama camps. The Proschold's vision fits well with the Raven's mission to provide a stage for artists and entertainment for the community. This includes developing, at a young age, an appreciation of the arts in children.

Proschold is an award-winning director having formerly worked with Valley Youth Theater in Phoenix, Arizona until her return to Healdsburg in 2006. She has been directing children's theater for 15 years. Assisting the show as accompanist is Julia Gennert. Mysty Stewart serves as choreographer. Mysty began dancing at age three and has studied virtually all types of dance from tap to jazz to ballroom to Broadway.

For media inquiries about *A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail*, please contact Producer Michele Proschold at 707-360-8641 or Mysty Stewart at 707-235-7314.

The Raven Theater is located at 115 North Street, Healdsburg or visit www.raventheater.org.

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