





RALEIGH  
LITTLE  
THEATRE

# 2025-2026 CALENDAR

## FOUR-SHOW SERIES

### WITCH | *Dark Comedy*

October 24 - November 9, 2025  
Gaddy-Goodwin Teaching Theatre, General Admission  
Thurs - Sat at 8:00 PM, Sun at 3:00 PM

By Jen Silverman

A charming devil arrives in the quiet village of Edmonton to bargain for the souls of its residents in exchange for their darkest wishes. Elizabeth should be his easiest target, having been labeled a "witch" and cast out by the town, but her soul is not so readily bought. As the devil returns to convince her – and then returns again – unexpected passions flare, alliances are formed, and the village is forever changed. An inventive retelling of a Jacobean drama, this sharp, subversive fable debates how much our souls are worth when hope is hard to come by.

### MOONLIGHT AND MAGNOLIAS | *Comedy*

February 6 - 22, 2026  
Gaddy-Goodwin Teaching Theatre, General Admission  
Thurs - Sat at 8:00 PM, Sun at 3:00 PM

By Ron Hutchinson

1939 Hollywood is abuzz. Legendary producer David O. Selznick has shut down production of his new epic, *Gone with the Wind*, because something's not right with the script. Summoning both famed screenwriter Ben Hecht and formidable director Victor Fleming, he locks the doors, closes the shades, and on a diet of bananas and peanuts, the three men labor over five days to fashion a screenplay that will become the blueprint for one of the most successful and beloved films of all time.

### 1776 | *Musical*

March 27 - April 19, 2026  
Cantey V. Sutton Theatre, Reserved Seating  
Thurs - Sat at 8:00 PM, Sun at 3:00 PM

Music and Lyrics by Sherman Edwards  
Book by Peter Stone  
Based on a concept by Sherman Edwards  
Original Production Directed by Peter Hunt  
Originally Produced on the Broadway Stage by Stuart Ostrow

It's the summer of 1776, and the nation is ready to declare independence... if only our founding fathers can agree to do it! 1776 follows John Adams of Massachusetts, Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania and Thomas Jefferson of Virginia as they attempt to convince the members of the Second Continental Congress to vote for independence from the shackles of the British monarchy by signing the Declaration of Independence.

The seminal event in American history blazes to vivid life in this most unconventional of Broadway hits. Celebrate the semiquincentennial of the United States at 1776!

### SCHOOL OF ROCK | *Musical*

June 5 - 28, 2026  
Cantey V. Sutton Theatre, Reserved Seating  
Thurs - Sat at 8:00 PM, Sun at 3:00 PM

Based on the Paramount movie by Mike White  
Book by Julian Fellowes  
Lyrics by Glenn Slater  
New Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber

Based on the hit movie, Andrew Lloyd Webber's *School of Rock - The Musical* follows Dewey Finn, a failed, wannabe rock star who decides to earn an extra bit of cash by posing as a substitute teacher at a prestigious prep school. There he turns a class of straight-A pupils into a guitar-shredding, bass-slapping, mind-blowing rock band. But can he get them to the Battle of the Bands without their parents and the school's headmistress finding out?

## FAMILY SERIES

### HADESTOWN: TEEN EDITION | *Musical*

July 25 - August 10, 2025  
Cantey V. Sutton Theatre, Reserved Seating  
Thurs - Sat at 8:00 PM, Sun at 3:00 PM | *Sensory-Friendly: July 31 at 8:00 PM*

Book, Music, and Lyrics by Anaïs Mitchell  
Presented by RLT's Teens on Stage and Teens Backstage

Following two intertwining love stories – that of young dreamers Orpheus and Eurydice, and that of immortal King Hades and lady Persephone – *Hadestown* invites audiences on a journey to the underworld and back through the retelling of a haunting Greek tragedy. Inspired by traditions of classic American folk music and vintage New Orleans jazz, *Hadestown* pits industry against nature, doubt against faith, and fear against love. This intriguing and beautiful folk opera delivers a deeply resonant and defiantly hopeful theatrical experience. *Hadestown: Teen Edition* is modified for performance by teen actors for family audiences.

### MAD LIBS® LIVE! | *Family Musical*

September 12 - 28, 2025  
Cantey V. Sutton Theatre, Reserved Seating  
Thurs - Fri at 7:30 PM, Sat - Sun at 10:30 AM, 3:00 PM | *Sensory-Friendly: Sept 20 at 10:30 AM*

Music by Jeff Thomson  
Book and Lyrics by Robin Rothstein

In *Mad Libs Live!*, our story begins at the finals of Teen Superstars, the live TV show that will determine the most popular singing group at Blankville Central High. Virtuosa, Gogo, Geyser, and Merrily seem to have nothing in common – until just before airtime, when they realize that their songs are missing words! In the spirit of the "World's Greatest Word Game," our gang fills in the blanks with words from the audience. This truly interactive musical changes at every performance – thanks to you! Who will be the next Teen Superstars? There is only one way to find out: Mad Libs Live!

### THE HOBBIT | *Adventure Drama*

May 2 - 10, 2026  
Louise "Scottie" Stephenson Amphitheatre, General Admission  
Sat - Sun at 1:00 PM & 3:00 PM | *Sensory-Friendly: May 9 at 1:00 PM*

Adapted by Edward Mast  
Based on *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien

Bilbo Baggins, one of the most reserved of all Hobbits, is asked to leave his large, roomy and very dry home in the ground in order to set off as chief robber in an attempt to recover an important treasure. It's the last thing that any sensitive Hobbit would want to do, but a great treasure lies in store – not only for Bilbo, but for all of the Hobbits who inhabit Middle Earth. This 60-minute adaptation of the beloved tale will be a delight to those children and adults who continue to enjoy the magic of Tolkien.

## HOLIDAY SHOW

### CINDERELLA | *Holiday Musical*

December 5 - 21, 2025  
Cantey V. Sutton Theatre, Reserved Seating  
Fri at 7:30 PM, Sat - Sun at 10:30 AM & 3:00 PM

Based on the fairy tale by Charles Perrault  
Adaptation and lyrics by Jim Eiler  
Music by Jim Eiler and Jeanne Bargin

A magical holiday tradition returns! For over 40 years, Raleigh Little Theatre has enchanted audiences with this musical comedy take on Cinderella. With dazzling costumes, toe-tapping tunes, and plenty of laughs, this beloved fairy tale comes to life on stage. Join Ella, her mischievous stepfamily, a charming prince, and a Fairy Godmother who makes the impossible possible in this heartwarming celebration of kindness, courage, and holiday magic!