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Firebelly's *The Children's Hour* Sizzles

The insidious power of a lie takes center stage as a young girl at a small girls' boarding school invents gossip about her teachers' relationship. The scandal rips apart friends, lovers, and lives in this meditation on what happens when "polite society" turns its back on truth and fairness.

Firebelly Productions heats up the summer with this play about an unfounded scandal that results in tragedy. Firebelly chose this play to further its mission of casting young actors. "In addition to being a compelling piece, this well-written classic gives our young actors good material to train with, and is balanced with several roles for the seasoned professionals with whom to work," explained Director Kathi Gollwitzer. Indeed, the 15 member cast ranges from as young as 9 to those with more than 25 years experience.

"The many roles for young actors are cast from Firebelly's acting classes and the local area. "We are pleased to present Anna Waigand, as Karen Wright, before she heads to an acting conservatory program, and Mollie Clement, a young actress who was seen as Helen Keller *The Miracle Worker* who will be making her professional debut as Mary Tilford," Gollwitzer continues. With the combination of a great classic and engaging talent, Firebelly Productions' *The Children's Hour* examines the results of cruel, self-serving, hysterical accusations and its effect on us all.

Firebelly's *The Children's Hour* features Ali Miller, Mollie Clement, Anna Waigand, Heather Sanderson, Wendy Wilmer, Christian Gearhart, and Julie Chappell Also appearing are Taylor Eggleston, Eliza Lore, Gabrielle Katzbahn-Rush, Christina Kidd, Callan Memmo, Emily Whitworth, Bryan Williams, and Emily Woods.

Firebelly offer sixteen performances offered: July 21-23, 26-30, August 2-6 at 8 pm
July 24, 31, and August 7 at 2 pm

Tickets: \$15 (adults); \$12 (students/seniors 65+)

Special Student/Senior/Artist/Actor rate only \$5 Tues.- Thurs. evenings!

Group rates available

Tickets online at www.firebellyproductions.net via Instantseats, or call 703.409.2372

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