

## **Press Release**

### **Discounted Tickets Make Thin Air Season 2009 a Deal**

Find yourself a great escape at the theater at an economical price. Save up to 15% on 2009 season tickets at Cripple Creek's Butte Theater when you purchase them online. Season tickets include all four shows produced this year by Thin Air Theater Company (TATC) at the historic theater.

Season tickets will get you into all four Thin Air Theatre Company shows - two popular musicals, *The Fantasticks* and *Godspell*, an all new classic melodrama and a popular Butte original – *A Cripple Creek Christmas Carol*.

The musicals, *The Fantasticks* and *Godspell*, will open in early June and run through Sept. 26 with each show alternating daily, providing a variety of times and days to meet any schedule. TATC is also offering a summer season pass for 10% off the regular ticket prices.

The traditional classic melodrama has moved to October, followed by a Halloween Olio sure to rock the spirits in the theater.

The Christmas show tickets are again this year discounted in appreciation of all who support professional and community theater.

Season and individual show tickets can be purchased through the secure online box office at [ButteOperaHouse.com](http://ButteOperaHouse.com).

The season show schedule is:

#### ***The Fantasticks***

June 5-Sept. 26

**Tickets:** \$15.75 Adult; \$13.75 Senior; \$9.75 Children; \$12.75 for groups of 20-plus.

***The Fantasticks***, a 1960 musical with music by Harvey Schmidt and lyrics by Tom Jones, is the story of 2 fathers who use reverse psychology to ensure that their children fall in love. After the children fall in love, they discover their fathers' plot and they each go off to experience the world. They return to each other and the love they had, having learned from the world and made a sound decision.

The show's original production off-Broadway ran for 17,162 performances, becoming the world's longest-running musical, for 42 years. The book and score included such familiar songs such as *Try to Remember*.

See [butteroperahouse.com](http://butteroperahouse.com) for schedule and to buy tickets.

#### ***Godspell***

June 12-Sept. 26

**Tickets:** \$15.75 Adult; \$13.75 Senior; \$9.75 Children; \$12.75 for groups of 20-plus.

***Godspell*** (an archaic spelling of the word gospel) is a 1970 musical by Stephen Schwartz and John-Michael Tebelak. It opened off-Broadway in 1971, and has played in various touring companies and revivals. Several cast albums have been released over the years and one of its songs, *Day By Day* from the original album, reached #13 on the Billboard pop singles chart in the summer of 1972. The musical is a series of parables,

based on the Gospel of Matthew. These are interspersed with a variety of modern music set primarily to lyrics from traditional hymns.

***The Fall Melodrama***

Oct. 2-31

An all new fall melodrama is being developed. The show will be followed by a Halloween Olio. More information on this show will be announced in the future.

**Tickets:** \$15.75 Adult; \$13.75 Senior; \$9.75 Children; \$12.75 for groups of 20-plus. See [butteroperahouse.com](http://butteroperahouse.com) for schedule and to buy tickets.

***A Cripple Creek Christmas Carol***

Nov. 27-Dec. 31

***A Cripple Creek Christmas Carol***, a favorite holiday happening in Cripple Creek, was originally written for the Butte stage by Chris Armbrister and Chris Sorensen. It first played in Cripple Creek in 2002 and is based on the classic by Charles Dickens.

A combination of professional and community actors team up to present this long-time popular classic story. TACT bring this show back to the Butte stage this year, a great holiday outing for the entire family and one that will bolster your Christmas spirit. The night includes a holiday Olio filled with music of the season.

**Tickets:** \$11.75 Adult; \$9.75 Senior; \$7.75 Children; \$9.75 for groups of 20-plus. See [butteroperahouse.com](http://butteroperahouse.com) for schedule and to buy tickets.

For more information or to make a reservation, visit [www.butteoperahouse.com](http://www.butteoperahouse.com).