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Have a Ball at Cinderella - Theatre West

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Childrens Musical Theatre

Audiences of all ages are truly in for a special treat at Theatre West's (in association with Storybook Theatre) production of [Cinderella](#), a perennial favorite. This show stars Charleen Closshey and Caitlin Gallogly as Cinderella; Barbara Mallory as Stepmother/Stepsisters; David P. Johnson as Prince Charming; and Constance Jewell Lopez as Fairy Godmother. Young princesses and princes in training will be lucky enough to celebrate their birthdays in class, while living out their most favorite of fairy tales, while their fantastical dreams come true. This theatre is living, loving proof that children's musical theatre is indeed alive and thriving here in Hollywood, where "a dream is a wish you make." Cinderella joyfully exclaims to the awe struck crowd: "I want to find someone to share my life...someone to have and to hold...A Prince Charming who cares for me... you see them smile and hold their hand." Amidst a colorful set and muppet figures, Cinderella and her entourage of interactive friends from the audience ride horses with Prince Charming and dance at the ball, engaging in the most magical time of all, as love is felt in the air. Creative, modern takes on the classic story are clever, such as a line of dialogue that "Prince Charming has to hand deliver the invitations, as UPS doesn't deliver on horses." Also, the Fairy Godmother is on a serious mission, 'to dress to impress,' as if on a quest to win Project Runway, cleverly stating, "those who wear glass slippers shouldn't wear socks."

The audience can't help but percolate in vicarious excitement and appreciation of every song's truth. Memorable musical numbers include "More to Life," "Ingredients," and "I Believe." Believing in dreams is important for the inner child within us, and this particular song and dance piece has shades and influences of Peter Pan, Pippin, and The Wiz. Cinderella is a most beloved of enchanting tales, a living legacy, now enjoying its run, in a myriad of venues (the silver screen at various movie theatres nationwide); a grand theatrical production at the Ahmanson; and this most intimate of settings, here at Theatre West.

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