



**CINCINNATI PLAYHOUSE IN THE PARK'S *LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE* PLAYS
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(CINCINNATI) – The Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park's production of **LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE** by Kevin Henkes, adapted by Kevin Kling, will perform at Highlands High School. The show is open to the public and will take place on Friday, April 22, at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$7.00 and can be purchased at the door, at Bowman's Frame Shop in Ft Thomas, and www.showtix4u.com. You can get more information at www.bluebirdalliance.com.

LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE tells the story of one-of-a-kind Lilly, the spunky little mouse. She speaks a secret backwards language and wears disguises, glittery glasses and red cowboy boots. One day she brings her magical, musical purse to school. Trouble at school and resentment about a new baby brother sets Lilly off on a whirlwind of adventures that will captivate young audiences. Kevin Kling (who appeared last season at the Playhouse in his show *How? How? Why? Why? Why?*) has created a roller coaster of a play that has been a hit across the country. The playwright plunges the audience into Lilly's world as she learns important lessons about family, friendship and forgiveness.

"Every child can relate to Lilly and her efforts to do the right thing in the face of a world determined to throw baby brothers, complicated friendships and mysterious teachers in her path," said Playhouse in the Park Director of Education Mark Lutwak. "It is one of the best modern plays ever written for children."

Anne Marie Damman (Lilly), Colin Gold (Mr. Slinger/Garland/Granny), Kevin-Michael Chu (Father, etc.), Marie Pope (Mother, etc.), Mark St. Cyr (Chester) and Matthew David Gellin (Wilson) from the Playhouse's Bruce E. Coyle Intern Company will appear in **LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE**.

Suann Pollock will direct. Other members of the production team include Veronica Bishop (Technical Director), Tammy Honesty (Set Designer), Rebecca Senske (Costume Designer), Anna Goller (Props Designer), Mark Lutwak (Sound Designer), Ashley Goos (Dance Choreographer) and Grace Rockstroh (Stage Manager).

LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE will also tour elementary schools from April 12 through May 20. For more information about the Playhouse's education and outreach programs, contact the Education Department at 513/345-2242 or visit www.cincyplay.com.

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