

# THE 2007 - 2008 SEASON

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## **CHIMERA by Wendy Lill**

October 17 – November 4, 2007

Four-time nominee for the Governor General's Award and former parliamentarian Wendy Lill returns to the PTE stage with a stunning political drama. A journalist who no longer believes that there is good in the world sets his sights on the new Minister of Justice. His chosen target becomes embroiled in a moral and ethical debate around the issue of stem cell research. Chimera is a sharp and timely investigation of the limits of science and biotechnology and what it means to be human.

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## **TEMPTING PROVIDENCE by Robert Chafe**

A Production of Theatre Newfoundland and Labrador  
November 14 – December 2, 2007

Nurse Myra Bennett arrived in Daniel's Harbour, Newfoundland in the spring of 1921. She had signed on to work in the community for only two years. She stayed for more than fifty. Tempting Providence is a simple and simply elegant tale that recounts the true story of a woman who left her home in England for Newfoundland's remote Great Northern Peninsula, to serve a community in great need -- a courageous woman who became known as the Florence Nightingale of the North, and a true Newfoundland legend.

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## **ALL RESTAURANT FIRES ARE ARSON by Bruce McManus**

January 23 – February 10, 2008

**World Premiere**

Tom, an ex-cop in his fifties, and Ron, a philandering priest, have been friends since high school. Lately, they've become obsessed with the death around them, particularly as it seems that all their old high school friends are dying. No one knows who is responsible for the deaths, but it seems as though Tom himself may be under suspicion...

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## **MESA by Doug Curtis**

February 20 – March 9, 2008

Paul is asked to drive his wife's 93-year-old Grandpa "Bud" all the way from Calgary to his retirement trailer in Mesa, Arizona. Paul hopes to find strange, roadside diners and sleep out under the stars. Bud wants Denny's and Motel 6. Paul and Bud spend five days together, navigating the predictable turnoffs on the Interstate while discovering their need for each other, sharing their lives and experiences, their hopes and dreams. This will be Bud's final year in Mesa, and Paul is his chauffeur.

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## **HAVING HOPE AT HOME by David S. Craig**

March 26 – April 13, 2008

On a winter night in a drafty farmhouse, a baby is about to arrive. But modern medicine meets midwifery head-on in a torrent of family feuding. As tensions rise between three dysfunctional generations, so does the laughter. It takes a baby to heal the rift in this funny, heartwarming story of forgiveness and hope. Sometimes the human heart seems to take the longest way home.

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## **FAMILY HOLIDAY SHOW**

### **MUNSCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING**

**(Based on the stories by Robert Munsch, adapted by Debbie Patterson)**

**World Premiere**

The tradition continues with a new batch of Robert Munsch stories brought to life on the stage. Expect to see some old favourites, along with some new ones, performed with the kind of kid-friendly fun that PTE is famous for!

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