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**Lifeline Theatre Presents *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!*,  
Hit Musical Adaptation of the Popular Children's Book Opens January 12  
Plus *Stories Come Alive! Hour* Workshops Every Saturday and Sunday During the Run**

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CHICAGO – Lifeline Theatre's KidSeries presents *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!*, a family musical based on the popular children's book by Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith, with script and lyrics by Lifeline Theatre ensemble member **Robert Kaulzlaric** (two-time Non-Equity Jeff Award-winning adaptor), music by **Paul Gilvary** and **William Rush**, and directed by Lifeline Theatre ensemble member **Amanda Link**. Since its inception at Lifeline Theatre in 2007, *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!* has been produced all over the country, by companies such as Children's Theatre of Charlotte, Oregon Children's Theatre, Dallas Children's Theatre, and Atlantic Theater Company (whose production the *New York Times* called "One of the best children's shows of the year. Case closed."). After being seen in 36 states across the U.S. the past seven years, this production marks the first time the show returns to the Chicago area since its premiere.

*The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!* runs Saturday, Jan. 11 – Sunday, Feb. 16 at Lifeline Theatre, 6912 N. Glenwood Ave. **Press opening is Sunday, Jan. 12 at 1 p.m.** Regular performance times are Saturdays and Sundays at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Previews are Saturday, Jan. 11 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.; and Sunday, Jan. 12 at 11 a.m.) Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased at the Lifeline Theatre Box Office, 773.761.4477, or by visiting [www.lifelinetheatre.com](http://www.lifelinetheatre.com).

**PLUS:** Join Lifeline Theatre every Saturday and Sunday at 12 p.m. during the run of *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!* (following the 11 a.m. show, or before the 1 p.m. show) for our **Stories Come Alive! Hour**. Children will get up close and personal with the book behind the play with an interactive storytelling session and on-your-feet theatre games. The cost is only \$5 per child. Parents are welcome to join the fun, though not required to stay. Contact Lifeline Theatre at 773-761-4477 for more information.

There are two sides to every story and the long-suppressed account of the Big, Bad Wolf is finally brought to light in Piggsylvania's Trial of the Century. Can a lone wolf get a fair trial in a corrupt piggy court? And will anyone believe that all the "huffing and puffing" nonsense was just a cover-up for a simple story about a sneeze and a cup of sugar? Enter the jury box and decide the fate of Big 'n Bad in this hit musical for the entire family. This production is recommended for children ages five and up (children under two not permitted), and runs one hour with no intermission. The book will be on sale in the lobby.

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The complete cast and production team for *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!* includes:

**CAST:** Guest artists **Allison Cain** (Prudence), **Diana Coates** (Magill), **Marissa Lessman** (Rocky/Bobby/Martha/Maxwell), **Amanda Roeder** (Julia), and **David Sajewich** (Al). With understudies **Alexandra Gonzalez**, **Bailey Heinz**, **Charlotte Long**, and **Timothy Maples**.

**CREW:** Lifeline Theatre ensemble members **Alan Donahue** (Lighting Designer), **Robert Kauzlaric** (Adaptor), and **Amanda Link** (Director); with guest artists **Jennifer Aparicio** (Stage Manager), **Benjamin W. Dawson** (Production Manager), **Amanda Herrmann** (Properties Designer), **Anthony Ingram** (Sound Designer), **Joanna Iwanicka** (Scenic & Puppet Designer), **Paul Gilvary** (Co-Composer), **Emily McConnell** (Costume Designer), **Laura McKenzie** (Musical Director), **Danny Osburn** (Master Electrician), **William Rush** (Co-Composer), and **Joe Schermoly** (Technical Director).

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Lifeline Theatre also offers “Name Your Price” tickets a half-hour before the show (subject to availability), group rates and other discounts available upon request. A party room is available for full-service birthday and special event parties. Free parking is available at the designated lot west of the theatre (NE corner of Morse and Ravenswood) with free shuttle service before and after the show. Street parking is also available and Lifeline Theatre is handicapped and CTA accessible (Red Line Morse stop/busses).

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Now in its 31<sup>st</sup> season, Lifeline Theatre specializes in original literary adaptations. Its ensemble of artists uses imaginative, unconventional staging to portray sprawling stories in an intimate space. Lifeline is committed to promoting the arts in its Rogers Park neighborhood and is an anchor of the Glenwood Avenue Arts District. We aspire to create art that is relevant to our culturally diverse, increasingly youthful neighborhood. Lifeline Theatre – Big Stories, Up Close.

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