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Aurora Theatre is ablaze with summer programming this June!

Shakespeare, science and a season finale, oh my!

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. (May 26, 2016) – Make waves this June with **Aurora Theatre's** action-packed **Summer Programming!** With the 2016 Comedy Nights finale featuring funny gal Karen Mills and Atlanta favorite Rob Cleveland, interactive Children's Playhouse productions and an adventure to the Andes Mountains to explore the rise and fall of The Inca Empire, Georgia's second largest theater will keep the fun sizzling all season long!

Summer Kids Programming

Aurora's Children's Playhouse

It's Electric by Big Thinkers Science Exploration

Wednesday, June 1; 10 and 11:30 a.m.

An exciting science exploration of electricity and heat, kids (and adults) of all ages are invited into the Big Thinkers Science Exploration lab, where education and fun is combined to help answer burning scientific questions! From manipulating a 50,000 volt Tesla coil to inviting audience members to participate in hands-on demonstrations like the hair-raising electrostatic generator, an indoor lightning strike and levitation machine using static electricity, *It's Electric* will be full of shocking entertainment! Tickets are \$7.

S4K: Dream Scheme by the Atlanta Shakespeare Company

Wednesday, June 15; 10 and 11:30 a.m.

What do you get when you combine music, mayhem, friendly sock puppets, crazy costumes, a magic "plot easel" named Pleasel and a special show robot named Sho-bot? Atlanta Shakespeare Company's wacky and whimsical take on *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, of course! Designed specifically for children ages 5 and up, the production strips away any unapproachable content, leaving kids laughing and intrigued by the timeless comedy. Tickets are \$7.

The Circus King by the Story Ship

Wednesday, June 22; 10 and 11:30 a.m.

Delightfully funny and interactive, kids of all ages will enjoy this tale of a young boy who was found by a baboon and raised among a circus of misfits. As he struggles with personal challenges and finding his true destiny, audience members and the cast of characters band together to help him! Featuring hilarious puppets, beautiful animation, spellbinding magic and fun music, *The Circus King* is not-to-be-missed! Tickets are \$7.

Summer Entertainment

Teatro Aurora: The Legend of the Inka Empire!

Saturday, June 11; 8 p.m.

Audiences are invited to travel through time into the mystery of the Andes Mountains to discover the wonders of one of the greatest civilizations to ever exist! In this world premiere production, part of Teatro

Aurora, the legendary Peruvian musical group Apu Inka takes guests on a lyrical journey from the rise and fall of The Inca Empire and into the influence of The Children of the Sun on the new world. This not-to-be-missed experience has been declared an event of cultural significance by the Peruvian Government's Ministry of Cultural Affairs. Tickets range from \$25-\$40. For more information, visit www.auroratheatre.com/teatro-aurora

Aurora Comedy Nights: Season Finale

Saturday, June 18; 8 p.m.

Celebrate the 2016 Aurora Comedy Nights Finale with funny gal and headliner Karen Mills, along with local favorite Rob Cleveland and host Katie Causey. With her straight forward approach to the realities of life, Mills' keen observations will keep you laughing all night long. Tickets are \$18.

For more information on Aurora Theatre programming or to purchase tickets for events, visit www.auroratheatre.com or call the **Box Office** at **678.226.6222**.

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Under the artistic leadership of Co-Founders and Artistic Directors Anthony Rodriguez and Ann-Carol Pence, now in its 21st season, Aurora Theatre produces professional live entertainment to suit everyone's taste. Aurora Theatre is home to over 600 events each year. Two series of theatrical productions, the Peach State Federal Credit Union Signature Series and the GGC Harvel Lab Series, are comprised of the biggest Broadway plays and musicals alongside exciting contemporary theatre. Additionally, Aurora produces concerts, stand-up comedy, children's programs, metro Atlanta's top haunted attraction Lawrenceville Ghost Tours, as well as Atlanta's only professional Spanish language theatre. Aurora Theatre is a world class theatrical facility with two performance venues. Nestled on the square in historic downtown Lawrenceville, Aurora has FREE attached covered parking and is surrounded by restaurants and shops. Aurora Theatre has garnered numerous accolades highlighted by recent achievements that include winner of Seven 2013 Suzi Bass Awards, Creative Loafing's "2010 Best Theatre Company," Georgia Trend Magazine's "2011 Best Places to Work in Georgia," Atlanta Business Chronicle's "2012 Best Places to Work", Atlanta Magazine's "Best of Atlanta 2013," Georgia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's 2014 President and CEO Award for Excellence in Arts and the Gwinnett Chamber 2015 Regional Business Award for Hospitality.