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JUST ANNOUNCED!

STATE THEATRE NEW JERSEY PRESENTS

SPRING 2018 MILK & COOKIES SERIES

Music & Storytelling Series for Children

New Brunswick, NJ (December 20, 2017)—State Theatre New Jersey announces the return of the lively, interactive storytelling series **Milk & Cookies** for spring 2018. State Theatre’s popular storytelling and music series returns with three delightful programs for children ages three to eight, and their families. The series kicks off on **January 20** with performer **Robbi Kumalo**, followed by **Suzi Shelton** on **March 3**, and **TAHIRA**, in her State Theatre debut, on **April 21**. Tickets are \$3, which includes the performance, along with milk and a cookie for each child. Space is limited, so families are encouraged to purchase their tickets as early as possible at 732-246-SHOW or STNJ.org.

“Milk & Cookies programs are a perfect way to introduce young children to live performance,” said **Lian Farrer, State Theatre New Jersey’s Vice President of Education & Outreach**. “People these days get so much of their entertainment through digital media. With Milk & Cookies, kids get to experience a performance live onstage—to be in the same space with the audience and the performer, watching the show unfold in real time, with no pause or rewind.”

About the Artists

Robbi Kumalo

Robbi Kumalo is a multi-talented storyteller and musician who has performed with such legendary artists as Aretha Franklin, Diana Ross, Rod Stewart, and Mary J. Blige. With lots of audience participation, Robbi performs childhood favorites and original songs and stories, in a multicultural celebration that adds up to pure joy.

Suzi Shelton

Suzi Shelton is an award-winning songwriter and performer who loves to play catchy, danceable pop-rock songs that connect directly with kids—but will have adults rocking out, too.

Tahira

Clever spiders, signifying monkeys, and grinnin' buzzards are just some of the intriguing characters you'll meet in TAHIRA's colorful folktales. Her high-energy, interactive program blends storytelling and music to delight audiences of all ages.

Milk & Cookies is made possible through the generous support of Colgate-Palmolive and The Horizon Foundation for New Jersey, with additional support from La Bonbonniere Bake Shoppes and Cream-O-Land Dairy.

For tickets or more information, call State Theatre New Jersey Guest Services at 732-246-SHOW (7469), or visit us online at STNJ.org. State Theatre New Jersey Guest Services, located at 15 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick NJ, is open Monday through Friday from 10am to 6pm; Saturday from 1pm-5pm; and at least three hours prior to curtain on performance dates unless otherwise specified. For information on group outings and discounts, call 732-247-7200, ext. 536. *Some additional ticket and transaction fees may apply.*

State Theatre New Jersey—creating extraordinary experiences through the power of live performance. The theater exists to enrich people's lives, contribute to a vital urban environment, and build future audiences by presenting the finest performing artists and entertainers and fostering lifetime appreciation for the performing arts through education. State Theatre New Jersey's programs are made possible by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, and contributions from numerous corporations, foundations, and individuals. Grant funding has been provided by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders through a grant award from the Middlesex County Cultural and Arts Trust Fund. The Heldrich is the official hotel of State Theatre New Jersey. The Star-Ledger is the official newspaper of State Theatre New Jersey. United is the official airline of State Theatre New Jersey.

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