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November 16, 2010

Center Stage Theatre's Peanut Gallery presents:

What: *The Snow Queen*

When: December 9, 10, 11 • 7:30 pm | December 11, 12 • 3 pm

Where: Little Theatre, Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd.,
Midland, MI 48640

Cost: \$12 Adults | \$8 Students

Information: Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or www.mcfta.org

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MIDLAND – Center Stage Theatre's Peanut Gallery presents *The Snow Queen* on December 9, 10 and 11 at 7:30 pm; December 11 and 12 at 3 pm. When the wicked sorcerer tries to steal the innocence of the world, Kai, Gerda and the beautiful Snow Queen start the adventure of a lifetime. Journey along with them through this timeless story of friendship and the power of a pure heart overcoming evil. This captivating musical will charm the entire family! Directed by Denyse Clayton and Kristiina Pilnik. Based on the story by Hans Christian Andersen. Performed by adults and youth. Sponsored by Chemical Bank. Center Stage Season Sponsors are Independent Bank, Mead Dental Associates, ParkShore Resort, and Shirlene's Cuisine.

Tickets are \$12 for Adults | \$8 for Students. To buy, call the MCFTA Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or buy online at www.mcfta.org.

"*The Snow Queen* embraces the values and qualities we all share, regardless of our origins: friendship, loyalty, courage, perseverance and sacrifice in the name of love and family," remarks **director Kristiina Pilnik**. "What you see on stage is a result of perseverance, courage, co-operation and love of the arts. Over 50 talented people from our community have forged lasting friendships with each other through this production – I'm so very proud of them!"

Primary roles performed by: Ben DeGroot (Sorcerer), Isobel Futter (Snow Queen), Aidan Montgomery (Kai) and Grace Anderson (Gerta), all of Midland.

Other cast members: Chandler Ault, Ethan Ault, Erica Bigelow, Sydney Bigelow, Emma Clayton, Logan Cummings, Shannon DeGroot, Jenna Dickerson, Maddy Futter, Reagan Glenn, Otto Guild, Larissa Husted, Grace Lewis, Mary Lewis, Vada Lewis, Emma Liechty, Emma Moore, Madeline Morgan, Megan O'Connor, Dave Rich, Kathy Stephenson, Kostandi Stephenson, Michelle Wallace and Maddy Wheelock of Midland. Parker Bradford of Bay City. Emerson Fortier of Beaverton. Zane Borchard of Coleman. Kennedy Danner, Madisyn Danner, Regan Danner, Allie Williams and Samantha Williams of Sanford.

Peanut Gallery is the youth theatre division of the Center Stage Theatre (formerly Theatre Guild and Music Society), a resident organization of the Midland Center for the Arts. Peanut Gallery produces multiple shows

and classes, all designed to build young people's theatre skills and to introduce young people and their families to live theatre.

Center Stage Theatre (formerly Theatre Guild and Music Society) is one of the most successful and exciting community theatre companies in the Midwest. Center Stage Theatre continues to present high quality plays, musical theatre, children's theatre, and programs of community service, theatre classes and workshops in the Great Lakes Bay Region. Member of the American Association of Community Theatre.

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