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### THE GRAND 1894 OPERA HOUSE PRESENTS THREE VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S SERIES PRODUCTIONS BEGINNING MARCH 22nd

**GALVESTON ISLAND, TEXAS (5 March 2021.)** Each season, The Grand 1894 Opera House offers a selection of outstanding performances for area students and school groups – normally held at The Grand. This season, due to the pandemic, all three productions offered will be presented virtually, and at no cost to students and educators. The three virtual performances featured for this Spring are:

- **TheatreWorks USA Presents... Pete the Cat - available Monday, March 22, 2021 through Friday, April 2, 2021.** (Recommended for grades PreK-3.) When Pete the Cat gets caught rocking out after bedtime, the cat-catcher sends him to live with the Biddle family to learn some manners—and boy, are they square! But for the groovy blue cat, life is an adventure no matter where you wind up, so the minute Pete walks in the door, he gets the whole family rocking!
- **TheatreWorksUSA Presents...Charlotte's Web -available Monday, April 12, 2021 through Friday, April 23, 2021.** (Recommended for K- Grade 5.) This treasured tale that explores bravery, selfless love and the true meaning of friendship, is based on E.B. White's loving story of the friendship between a pig, named Wilbur, and a little gray spider, named Charlotte. Learn about Wilbur's serious problem and how Charlotte weaves a solution and creates a "miracle" to save Wilbur.
- **ArtsPower National Touring Theatre Presents...From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler – available Monday, May 3, 2021 through Friday, May 14, 2021.** (Recommended for Grades 3-4.) It's 1967 at the Met (Metropolitan Museum of Art) in New York City. Mrs. Frankweiler (a collector of fine art, facts, figures and secrets) is narrating the action of a musical play through a letter she's writing to her lawyer when she learns about the adventures of a brother and sister who run away from home to live at The Met for a few days. Wait till you find out what happens next!

To make reservations and to access these virtual performances (at no cost to view), visit [www.thegrand.com](http://www.thegrand.com). First, click *Education and Fun* Tab; next, click *Serious Fun Children*

*Series* tab; and scroll down to make reservations for the performances you wish to see. Group/School reservations can also be made by calling The Grand at 409.765.1894 or 800.821.1894.

In addition, comprehensive study guides are available to schools prior to each performance which allows teachers to incorporate activities centered around the story into their curricula. The Grand also offers virtual workshops to schools participating in a performance – again, at no cost. The workshops are presented via Zoom and are limited and scheduled on a first-come/first-serve basis. Contact The Grand’s Director of Education, Sarah Piel, at 409.770.5066, or email [spiel@thegrand.com](mailto:spiel@thegrand.com) to reserve workshops.

The children’s series performances have been designated The Harris L. Kempner Children’s Series in honor of Mr. Kempner’s lifelong commitment to youth, education and The Grand’s programming. Support is provided by the following: Harris and Eliza Kempner Fund, Dr. Leon Bromberg Charitable Trust Fund, the Ippolito Charitable Foundation of Galveston, Kathrine G. McGovern, John P. McGovern Foundation, Daisy’s Friends, The National Endowment for the Arts and Texas Commission on the Arts.

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, The Grand 1894 Opera House is located at 2020 Postoffice Street in Galveston's historic downtown Cultural Arts District and recognized as "The Official Opera House of the State of Texas." All major credit cards accepted.

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