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**NCT ANNOUNCES 2007-2008 SEASON**

**Second Production Will Open in NCT's Newly Renovated Theater**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Nashville Children's Theatre announces its 2007-08 lineup: *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*, *Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business*, *Most Valuable Player*, *Go Dog. Go!*, and *The Reluctant Dragon*.

NCT is currently undergoing an extensive renovation, and this season will open in Belmont University's new theater with *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*. The new NCT facility will open with *Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business*. Tickets for the 2007-2008 season will go on sale Sunday, May 6. The complete schedule for the season includes:

***The Witch Of Blackbird Pond***

Adapted by Y York from the Newberry Award-winning novel by Elizabeth George Speare.  
Oct. 4-27, 2007

In the American colonies of 1687, a girl who swims, wears satin gowns, and talks back to her elders is not only headstrong, she is in grave danger of being regarded as a witch. This classic follows newcomer Kit Tyler as she befriends an old Quaker woman known as the Witch of Blackbird Pond. This is more than the community can take and soon Kit is defending her life.

***Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business***

Adapted by Joan Cushing from the book by Barbara Park.  
Dec. 1, 2007-Feb. 1, 2008

Kindergarten is where you go to not watch TV and be quiet all day. Fixing the upstairs toilet is a dream come true. Her new B-A-B-Y brother is a real, alive baby MONKEY, and Junie is taking bids in class to see who will be the first to see him. But when the principal finds out, there could be trouble!

***Most Valuable Player***

Written by Gayle Cornelison, Mary Hall Surface, Charles Abernathy, Joseph Bostick, Duncan W. Graham, Helen Pettit, Kevin Reese, J. Steven White and Dorien Wilson.  
Feb. 12-26, 2008

The great Jackie Robinson's fight to integrate baseball transcends sports to reflect our nation's ongoing struggle with racism. The play demonstrates the trials Robinson went through, and the amazing attitude and determination that he displayed while facing ignorance, hatred and prejudice.

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***Go, Dog. Go!***

Adapted by Steven Dietz and Allison Gregory from the book by P.D. Eastman.

March 11-April 6, 2008

It's Red Dog, Blue Dog, Yellow Dog and Green Dog! They bark, they snorkel, they scratch, they drive, they howl at the moon, they live, live, live – on a Ferris wheel that never stops. It's a big dog party!

***The Reluctant Dragon***

Adapted by Mary Hall Surface from the book by Kenneth Grahame.

April 22-May 12, 2008

In this classic by the author of *The Wind in the Willows*, a young boy discovers a dragon living in the downs above his home. The two become fast friends, but soon afterwards the dragon is discovered by the townsfolk. The great dragon slayer, St. George, is called to save the town. Can the young boy save his new friend?

For more information about tickets or how to become a season subscriber, please visit [www.nashvillechildrenstheatre.org](http://www.nashvillechildrenstheatre.org), or call (615) 254-9103.

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**About Nashville Children's Theatre**

Nashville Children's Theatre is an ensemble of professional artists who bring unique vision and compelling voice to the creation of meaningful theater for Nashville and Middle Tennessee audiences. We strive to make the imaginative celebration of our hopes, struggles and joys a vital part of the shared experience for young people, families and our community. NCT was founded in 1931 by the Junior League of Nashville and is recognized as the oldest children's theater in the country. A national leader in professional theater arts and education programs for young people, NCT was ranked by *TIME* magazine as one of the top five children's theaters in the country.