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**R-O-L-L-I-C-K-I-N-G WITH A ‘K,’ E-X-U-B-E-R-A-N-T WITH AN ‘X’: THE THEATRE COMPANY@HUBBARD HALL PRESENTS TONY AWARD-WINNING MUSICAL COMEDY,**

**‘THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE,’ NOVEMBER 7- 30**

**CAMBRIDGE, NY (October 29, 2014)—** The Theatre Company at Hubbard Hall (TCHH) will present *The* *25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, the Tony Award-winning musical comedy classic by William Finn and Rachel Sheinkin, November 7-30.

Perfect for family audiences, this hilarious tale of overachievers’ angst chronicles the experience of six adolescent outsiders vying for the spelling championship of a lifetime. For this quirky yet charming band of kids, a spelling bee is the one place where they can stand out and fit in at the same time.

Hubbard Hall Executive Director David Snider will direct a cast that includes Sylvia Eowyn Bloom, Kyra Fitzgerald, Edward Mawere, Jeffrey Vizcaino, Digby Baker-Porazinski, Chris Barlow, Sebastian Durfee, Sara Curtis and Erin Ouellette. .

“*The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* is a hilarious farce – but one with a golden heart,” Snider said. “It’s a celebration of hard work, risk taking and trying to be the best, a celebration of those who don’t fit in easily and their journey to find their own path. It’s a party for us all, to remember how it felt to be so young, so earnest and so excited to find our own way.”

The production’s creative staff includes Richard Cherry, musical director; Jack Boggan, assistant director; Benjie White, technical director; Sherry Recinella, costume designer; Calvin Anderson, lighting designer; and Darcy May, choreographer.

Thursday, November 6 will be the Pay What You Will / Open Final Rehearsal at 8 p.m. There will be 16 performances of *The* *25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, November 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 and 29 at 8 p.m.; and November 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29 and 30 at 2 p.m. Tickets are $24 for Hubbard Hall members, $27 for non-members, $15 for students (11 and up), and $10 for youth (ages 6-10).**Tickets are available at** [**www.hubbardhall.org**](http://www.hubbardhall.org) **or by calling (518) 677-2495.**

An Opening Night Dinner will take placeFriday, November 7 at 6 p.m. in the Beacon Feed Studio. The menu will feature (not your cafeteria-style) school lunch specialties. **Reservations are requested by Wednesday, November 5 at 5 p.m. Visit** [**www.hubbardhall.org**](http://www.hubbardhall.org) **or call (518) 677-2495 for tickets.** The cost: $50.00, including theatre ticket /$30.00, meal only (for season subscribers).

Hubbard Hall Center for the Arts, located in a renovated 1878 rural opera house and adjacent former freight yard complex, is a community arts center dedicated to bringing the best of the arts to the region with year-round theater, music and dance performances and classes and workshops for all ages and skill levels. Hubbard Hall is located at 25 East Main Street in Cambridge, NY. For more information on this and all Hubbard Hall programs, or to purchase tickets, register for classes, make a donation and/or become a member or theatre subscriber please visit [www.hubbardhall.org](http://www.hubbardhall.org) or call (518) 677-2495.

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