

## 'Sleeping Beauty' musical comes with modern twist

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Princess Amber is a restless kind of girl in Marc Robin's playful musical take on "Sleeping Beauty." "She is a tomboy, she doesn't like to wear dresses and she can't wait to experience the world and everything it has to offer. She has her own idea of how things should be and doesn't want anyone to tell her different," said Summar Jonas who plays the title character in the Winnetka Theatre's Especially for Kids production, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Saturdays, and noon and 3 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 16-31, at Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln Ave.

Amber's romantic interest in the Kingdom of Colorland is Prince Hunter, who she finds less than charming at their first meeting. "He's scared of everything and he suffers from allergies," Jonas explained. But when evil Magenta curses Amber, Hunter "overcomes all his fears to save her life."

The actor praised the musical's themes. "The show touches on equality for everyone," Jonas said. It also encourages "looking for the goodness in all people and working together to make the world a better place."

Tickets are \$10.

For details, call (847) 604-0275 or see [www.winnetkatheatre.org](http://www.winnetkatheatre.org).

### Cutting edge

Counting, sorting, measuring, matching, role playing and sharing are some of the skills kids can learn from Pizza: Any Way You Slice It! The interactive traveling exhibit is at the Kohl Children's Museum, 2100 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, from Monday, Jan. 18-Sunday, May 24. Children learn the basics of math in a fun way by making, delivering and pretending to eat pizza.

For details, call (847) 832-6600.

### Peace offering

Families with children ages 4-12 will hear Kidworks Touring Theatre Company tell "Peace Tales around the World," 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 16, at Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane. Destinations will include Africa, the Middle East, India, China, Mexico and Native America. Audience members will be a part of the action, portraying costumed characters and parading with a Chinese dragon.

For details, call (847) 272-6224.

### Food, glorious food

Spend part of the school holiday, Monday, Jan. 18, picnicking with your kids at the Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Road. From 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., they will be screening the animated family film, "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs." Bring your lunch. The library will supply beverages and dessert. Reservations are required

For details, call (847) 580-8962.

### Join the circus

Your 2- to 3-year-old will develop strength, creativity and self-esteem when the two of you enjoy circus-themed activities at Parent-Tot Circus at the Actors Gymnasium, Noyes Cultural Center, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. Attend class 9:30-10:10 a.m. Thursdays, Jan. 28-March 25, or 10-10:40 a.m. Saturdays, Jan. 30-March 27. Cost is \$135.

For details, call (847) 328-2795.

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