

Charlie Brown Takes the Stage at the Butte

The old saying “see ya in the funny papers” has never been more applicable than this summer will be at The Butte Theater up in Cripple Creek. Thin Air Theatre Company (voted Best New Theatre in 2009) opens its fourth season of professional theatre in The Pikes Peak Region with the classic musical *You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown* on June 18.

Charlie Brown, which premiered in 1967 and is based on the characters created by world famous cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, featuring music and lyrics by Clark Gesner, will run in repertory this summer with TATC’s annual Melodrama through September 18, 2010.

You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown tells the story of an average day in the life of the famous comic strip hero come to life, Charlie Brown. Take a nostalgic trip back to your childhood while introducing your kids to the whole Peanuts Gang! Charlie is joined by all of your favorite characters... a singing and dancing Snoopy, Charlie’s arch nemesis Lucy, his sister Sally, the musical prodigy Schroeder, and the blanket toting Linus...as they deal in their own unique and comic way with such issues as education, sibling rivalry, baseball, and unrequited love.

This musical will be the first of the two shows that make up the summer season at The Butte Theater opening June 18. The second show, *Gunslinger; The Legend of Billy the Kid* will open the following week on June 25 with both shows running in repertory through September 18. *Gunslinger* is a classic melodrama adapted for The Butte stage by Mickey Burdick. The two shows will alternate daily and weekly on a schedule of Wednesday through Sunday with matinee and evening shows.

Tickets are \$15.75 Adult; \$13.75 Senior; \$9.75 Children; \$12.75 for groups of 20-plus.

For more information or to make a reservation, visit www.butteoperahouse.com.