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MoCo Arts Students Will Take You Back to Your School Daze

KEENE, NH – MoCo Arts Middle School Play, *School Daze*, will be performed in *The Founder's Theatre* at MoCo Arts, 40 Roxbury Street in Keene on Sunday, April 14th with performances at 1pm and 4pm. You remember middle school. That first day can be a funhouse or a hall of horrors. Will I fit in or be left behind? Did I wear the right clothes? How will I find the right class? Why do those eighth graders look so big... Middle school is the tricky tightrope between being a kid and being a teenager. How did you fare? Did you fall off the tightrope? Did you hold on? See the characters in *School Daze* try to keep their balance on the first day of middle school.

This light-hearted play explores the various perspectives of all the stereotypical pre-teen personalities you remember from your own middle school experience. Hear from the Bully who's really a coward as all bullies are, the Big Kid who's proud of his Evil Laugh, the Backward Boy who just misses recess, and the Positive Girl who always sees the glass as half-full. Everyone will find something they relate to in this humorous and familiar look at life as a middle schooler.

The theatre program at MoCo Arts offers opportunities for students from 2nd through 12th grade to explore the performing arts in an inclusive, nurturing atmosphere where they'll learn invaluable life skills such as teamwork, cooperation and effective communication that will stick with them long after the curtain closes. Children as young as 4 years can participate in Storytime Theatre, a musical theatre class which features acting, singing, dancing, costumes and sets. All of the theatre classes at MoCo culminate in a fully produced performance with every child cast in a role and encouraged to work together and to support each other.

School Daze is performed by MoCo Arts students 6th – 8th grade. Tickets are \$12 /general admission and can be purchased at MoCo Arts, 40 Roxbury Street in Keene, or by calling (603) 357-2100. To learn more about MoCo Arts and their award-winning theatre program, visit them online at www.moco.org.

MoCo Arts is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, multi-arts educational organization located in downtown Keene offering dance and theatre classes and multi-arts vacation and summer camps for children ages 18 months to 18+ years. As part of the educational process, MoCo Arts provides professional quality performance experience for students and family-friendly performances for audiences of all ages throughout the year. MoCo welcomes all students, beginners through advanced, and tuition assistance is available. MoCo Arts is sponsored in part by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information please visit MoCo Arts, 40 Roxbury Street, Keene, NH 03431 or www.moco.org

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