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Carousel Players are back with *Where The Wild Things Are*

TORONTO, ON (Thursday, September 29, 2005) – **Back by popular demand after a sellout run at LKTYP last season! Carousel Players** and the delightful children's play *Where the Wild Things Are* based on the hugely popular children's book by **Maurice Sendak** and adapted by **TAG Theatre of Glasgow** will be presented in the Studio at **Lorraine Kimsa Theatre For Young People**, November 7 through December 4, 2005.

Sail along with Max to the land of the Wild Things. Join in as the audience helps to transform Max's bedroom into everything from a wild jungle to a rolling ocean for his many adventures. Don a mask and become part of the wild rumpus in this highly interactive play.

The Dora-nominated production is directed by **Kim Selody**, Artistic Director of Carousel Players. The creative team includes composer and musical director **Cathy Nosaty**, Set & Costume Designer **Linda Leon**. The cast includes **Linda Carson** as the narrator and the Mother and **Blair Keyzer** in his Dora-nominated performance as Max.

Maurice Sendak is widely known as the creator of *Where the Wild Things Are*, for which he received the prestigious Caldecott medal in 1964. *Where The Wild Things Are* is the first book of a trilogy that also includes *In The Night Kitchen* (1970) and *Outside Over There* (1981). In these three books Sendak deals with the complex emotional life of children as embodied in their fantasies. Sendak has earned recognition throughout his career not only as a writer and illustrator of children's books, but also as a designer for ballet and opera, co-founder of the Night Kitchen Theater, and the developer of plays, musicals, and films based on his books. Most recently, he won a National Medal of Arts.

Where the Wild Things Are is recommended for ages 5 and up

OPENING: Sunday, November 13 at 11:30 AM and 4:30 PM

Where the Wild Things Are runs from November 7 through December 4, 2005

Tickets: \$20 adults; \$15 kids (18 & under)

Preview performance: \$10 (all prices incl. GST)

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About Carousel Players: Carousel Players was founded in 1972 by Desmond Davis, a Professor of Drama at Brock University in St. Catharines. Carousel Players has been producing entertaining and inspiring theatre for young people for 30 years. Aside from touring into schools, theatres and festivals in Southern Ontario and across Canada, Carousel Players presents public performances in its home at the Studio Theatre in the Old Court House in downtown St. Catharines. During their 30 year history, over two million students, teachers and families have seen their productions.

About LKTYP: *Celebrating 40 Years of Young People's Theatre!*

Since 1966, LKTYP has been using live performance to validate the common experiences young people encounter as they grow up in an increasingly complex world. LKTYP's performances are designed to help children and youth identify with the issues they face today and to offer a platform for addressing these challenges in an entertaining way. LKTYP is the largest non-profit theatre company for young audiences in Canada and presents new Canadian plays, innovative works and classics from children's literature throughout the season. A multi-faceted centre for learning through the arts, LKTYP offers evening and weekend performances for family audiences, integrated weekday school programs for students, scheduled workshops for teachers and a year-round Drama School.

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