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National Touring Production of "Struggle for Freedom: The Life of Dr. King" to come to the Carroll Arts Center

National professional touring theatre company, Bright Star Touring Theatre, will present their heralded production of "Struggle for Freedom: The Life of Dr. King" at the Carroll Arts Center on January 17, 2022 at 2pm. Since Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is a day of service, this performance is free for anyone who has volunteered for a nonprofit organization in the past year!

Struggle for Freedom is a 45-minute production that seeks to honor the American Civil Rights Movement. The life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. provides the backdrop to scenes that recreate the Montgomery bus boycott, the March on Washington, the Woolworth Sit-ins and much more. Following Dr. King's life from his time as a young boy in Georgia, to becoming a preacher in Alabama, to becoming an important figure on the international stage, this powerful and impactful story is recommended for audiences grades 2nd through adult. With excerpts of famous speeches, Civil Rights era songs and a variety of characters this moving production has been hailed as one of "the finest touring shows available for young audiences."

Each year, Bright Star Touring Theatre serves nearly 1,000 audiences in schools, theaters, libraries, museums and more across the country. They offer a wide variety of curriculum-based programs ranging from "The Lady of Bullyburg" to "Heroes of the Underground Railroad." The company performs regularly at the National Theatre in Washington DC and has gained international support, accepting an invitation from the U.S. Embassy to visit Moscow, Russia with their programs. Bright Star is committed to providing professional theatre to audiences at an affordable and all-inclusive rate. Information about all their interactive shows, including production videos, photos, study guides and more is available online at www.brightstartheatre.com.

Sponsored by Carroll Community College. Tickets are \$12 Adults / \$8 ages 25 & Under and ages 60 & Up. CCAC Members get an additional 10% off. Free tickets for nonprofit volunteers can only be reserved in person or by calling the box office at 410-848-7272. Regular tickets can be purchased online at CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org or by calling the box office. The Carroll Arts Center is located at 91 West Main Street in Downtown Westminster.

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CALENDAR LISTING (please list under Theatre, Family, or related category)

"Struggle for Freedom: The Life of Dr. King." Mon. January 17 at 2pm. A special MLK Day production that explores the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Featuring excerpts of famous speeches, Civil Rights era songs and a variety of characters, this show is recommended for grades 2nd through adults. Free tickets available for those who volunteer in the community! \$8-\$12. Carroll Arts Center, 91 W Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157. 410-848-7272. Tickets and more info at CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org.

PHOTO: Bright Star Touring Theatre's production of "Struggle for Freedom: The Life of Dr. King"