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A Christmas Story, Woodland Opera House

Review: Saw it last friday night. show is alittle too long. this is why i dont go see straight plays. no excitment. over all a good production.
- Frank F.

Review: Three friends and I went to see A Christmas Story at the Woodland Opera House on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 15th, 2007. I dragged one particular friend to see it because she wasn't familiar with A Christmas Story as a play or film and had no idea what to expect. The three others of us were familiar with the story and were hoping for a comedic treat that evening. Since we live in Woodland, this was at an opportune location for us. Besides, ticket prices were extremely reasonable and for about \$13 each, (I think... my friend bought the tickets, not me), we ended up with FRONT ROW seats. Overall, the play was great. The actor who played young Ralphie was great and gave all his lines with plenty of gusto! My friend who knew nothing about the storyline of the play was given a suprise when during a sequence of the play when Scut the bully is chasing Ralphie and friends, young Ralphie ran out into the audience and jumped in my friend's lap yelling "help me!" and holding on for dear life. This gave my friend a memorable moment during the play that made her laugh and feel involved in the production. (And being that I had dragged her along, it was great to see something so funny happen to her...) The actor who played older Ralphie, (the narriator), seemed to be having some trouble with his lines the night we were there, as he kept stumbling - but really - it wasn't a big deal. I will admit that the play did seem long. But, I wouldn't call it slow. I would be careful about taking little ones to the play if you hope for them to remain awake the whole time... I don't think we got out of the theater until 10PM or so. Overall, it was a good show.

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