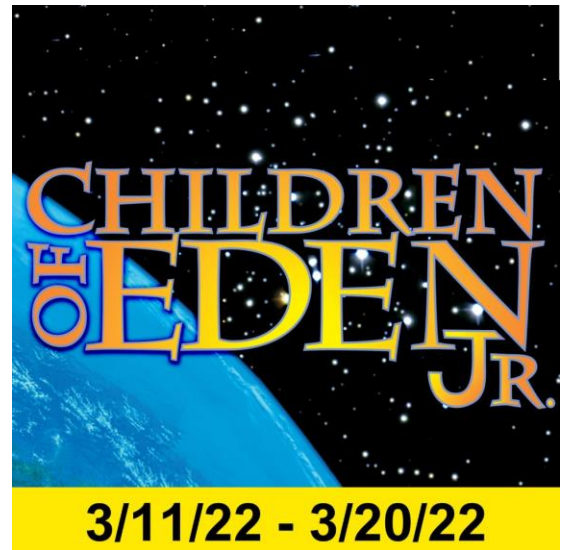


# Children of Eden Jr.

**Friday March 11, 2022 - Sunday March 20, 2022**

**Fridays & Saturdays at 7:30 pm  
Sundays at 3:00 pm**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Street Stage  
Hannah Block Historic USO/Community Arts  
Center  
120 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street**



Book by John Caird. Music and Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz. Based on a concept by Charles Lisanby.

From musical theatre greats, Stephen Schwartz and John Caird, comes a joyous and inspirational musical about parents, children and faith... not to mention centuries of unresolved family business! An expansive musical, Children of Eden Jr. has plenty of roles and life lessons for everyone. Adam, Eve, Noah and the “Father” who created them deal with the headstrong, cataclysmic actions of their respective children. As generations pass, faith and loyalty are tested, but the bonds of family and love remain strong.

## About the Thalian Association

Thalian Association Community Theatre is a non-profit, membership organization that’s dedicated to enhancing the rich artistic environment of the Cape Fear region. Tracing its roots back to 1788, the

Thalian Association Community Theatre was founded to provide arts education and bring the excitement of the performing arts to Wilmington, North Carolina. Today the Thalian Association Community Theatre produces five major productions annually on the Main Stage at historic Thalian Hall, offers a Youth Theatre program and professionally manages the Hannah Block Historic USO/Community Arts Center for the City of Wilmington. In 2007, the North Carolina legislature named the Thalian Association Community Theatre the Official Community Theater of North Carolina.



NC State Standards – CCR Anchor Standards RL.1, RL.2, RL.3, RL.4, RL.5, 7.L.1

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## Name that Animal! “The Naming” Song Activity

A song in *Children of Eden Jr* called “The Naming” tells the story of Adam and Eve giving names to each of the animals in the Garden of Eden.

The lyrics below should be spoken or chanted. You may want to practice pronouncing some of the names before starting.

Assign two students the parts of Adam and Eve or chant the whole song together as a group!

### EVERYONE

The naming, the naming!

### ADAM

All right, let's start with A, for Adam  
A! Ahhh...Aardvark!

### EVE

My turn! That one over there is  
an aardwolf!

### EVERYONE

Addax

### EVERYONE

Agama

### EVERYONE

Agouti

### EVERYONE

Alligator

### EVERYONE

Amphiuma

### EVE

This is fun!

### EVERYONE

Anaconda

### EVERYONE

Antelope

### EVERYONE

Armadillo

### EVERYONE

Avadavat

### EVERYONE

Axolotl

### EVE

aye-aye

### ADAM

aye-aye?

### EVE

aye-aye!

### ADAM

Aye aye aye,  
we'll never  
be done!



An African Aardvark in a burrow.



An Aardwolf, native to East Africa and Southern Africa.



An Axolotl from the tropical regions of Asia.

**EVERYONE**

Wings are waving  
Tails are wagging  
Kangaroo, kinkajou  
Komodo dragon  
Lion, lemur  
Hartebeest, hare  
Chimpanzee and cinnamon bear  
Numbat, wombat, jaguarundi  
Deermouse, doormouse, coati mundi  
Peccary, porcupine and pronghorn  
Tiger, Tortoise, Unicorn!

**EVERYONE**

Come and gather in the meadow  
In the meadow in the sun  
Come together everyone  
Now the naming...

**ADAM**

Vicuña

**EVE**

Walrus

**EVERYONE**

Now the naming...

**ADAM**

Yak

**EVE**

Zebra

**EVERYONE**

Now the naming...  
Ah ah ah oh way ah  
It is done!  
All done!



A Hartebeest or African Antelope.



A Kinkajou, a mammal who lives in tropical rainforests.



A jaguarundi, a big cat native to the Americas from Argentina to Mexico.

## Group Activity

Many animals are named in the *Children of Eden* song “The Naming,” but scientists have estimated that around 8.7 million animal species exist in the world!

How many more animals can you name?

Separate into small discussion groups and write your answers below.



A vicuña near the Chimborazo volcano in Ecuador. Vicuña are South American camelids that live in high elevation regions of the Andes mountains.

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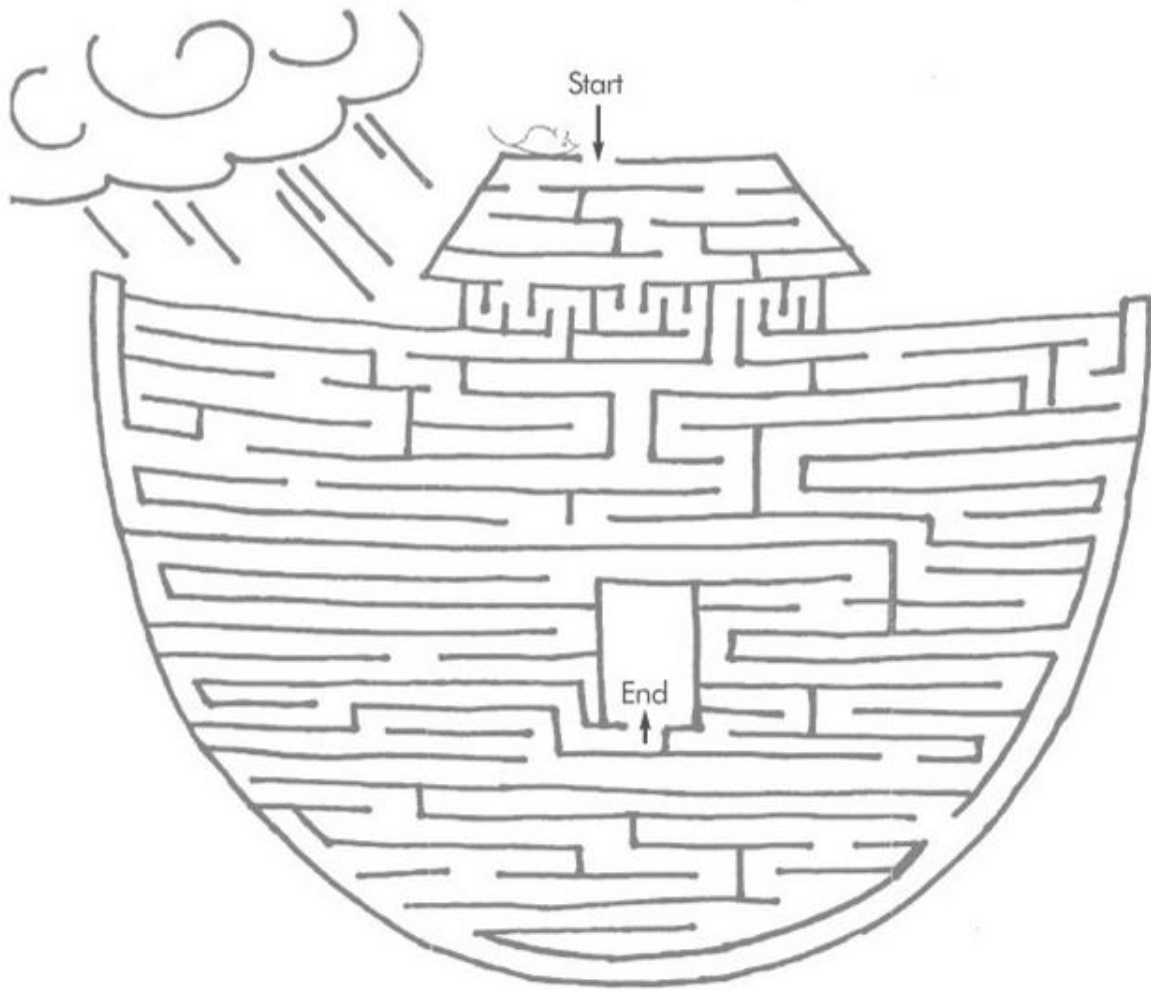
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| 10. | 20. |



## Critical Thinking Activity

Help the animals get into the ark by finding their path below!

Using a pencil, trace out the path from Start to End and help save the animals!



## Art Activity

Color this coloring sheet of a leopard in a tree watching a group of antelope in a realistic way. What colors would the leopard's coat be? What about the antelope? Discuss the answers with your group before starting this activity.



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