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Children's Theatre Company Announces
Indoor Ice Rink Installation

Free Ice-Skating Open To Public
November 6-22, 2026

Celebrating
World Premiere Musical *Twelve Kinds of Ice*
Beloved Family Classic Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas!
And the Start of the Holiday Season

Minneapolis—October 27, 2026 — Children's Theatre Company (CTC) is pleased to announce the temporary installation of an indoor ice-skating rink, which will be available for free public skating between November 6-22, 2026. The ice rink will be located in the Bazinet Rehearsal Hall on CTC's 4th floor (2400 3rd Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55404). For additional information, please visit childrenstheatre.org/rink.

The ice rink celebrates CTC's current production of the world premiere musical *Twelve Kinds of Ice*, the upcoming return engagement of *Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas!*, and the beginning of the Holiday season.

"We want CTC to be a place where families come to make amazing memories together," said Irene Green, Director of External Relations. "And we're so excited to offer this opportunity to our community. Families can enjoy this free ice rink before they attend a performance of *Twelve Kinds of Ice*, enhancing the experience of watching the musical,and giving their kids a chance to enjoy a physical activity before coming in to the theater to enjoy the performance And they can immerse themselves in the magic of winter before they witness the spectacle of *Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* We invite all families in the Twin Cities metro to join us on the ice, and to join us for a show."

The ice rink is scheduled to be open during the following timeframes:

Friday, November 6
4:30-6:30 PM

Saturday, November 7
8:30am-2pm

Sunday, November 8
8:30am-2pm

Thursday, November 12
4:30-6:30 PM

Friday, November 13
4:30-6:30 PM

Saturday, November 14
8:30am-2:00pm

Sunday, November 15
8:30am-2:00pm

Thursday, November 19
4:30-6:30 PM

Friday, November 20
4:30-6:30 PM

Saturday, November 21
8:30am-2pm

Sunday, November 22
8:30am-2pm

CTC's ice rink will accommodate 10-15 skaters at a time, in increments of about 30 minutes. The public is encouraged to bring their own ice skates with them to the rink; free skates can be borrowed onsite,. Advance sign-ups are required to ensure skate time. For sign-ups and more information, visit childrenstheatre.org/rink

About *Twelve Kinds of Ice*

Glide through the ever-shifting magic of winter as Ellen recalls childhood memories of icy adventures with her loving father. In this world premiere musical, cold temperatures and warm hearts unite to tell a tender story that takes us from spotting the first glaze of ice to building an ice rink and hosting skating shows, hockey games, and moonlit solos. Watch in awe as ice freezes before your very eyes, then melts your heart. *Twelve Kinds of Ice* runs thru November 22, 2026, on the Cargill Stage, and is best for ages 7 and up.

About *Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas!*

CTC's beloved holiday tradition *Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* returns after last year's sold-out run. In this hit musical spectacular, the grumpy green Grinch hatches a plan to steal Christmas from the cheerful Whos of Who-ville—snatching trees, swiping stockings, and sneaking away with every last present. But when one small voice and a spark of holiday spirit shine through, The Grinch begins to discover the true meaning of Christmas. Filled with music, mischief, and Seussian charm, this joyful production sparkles with laughs, warmth, and a little holiday magic your family will love. *Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* runs November 3, 2026-January 3, 2027, on the UnitedHealth Group Stage. This production is best enjoyed by everyone.

Tickets for all productions are available at childrenstheatre.org or by calling the ticket office at 612.874.0400. Ticket prices start at $25.

About Children's Theatre Company

Children's Theatre Company (CTC) activates the creative lives of children and families—strengthening imagination, connection, and belonging to help young people thrive and communities grow stronger. Participating in year-round programming, theatre attendees and arts learners represent diverse racial, cultural, socioeconomic, neurocognitive, and geographic backgrounds. CTC is the only theatre focused on young audiences to win the Special Tony Award for Outstanding Regional Theatre and is the only theatre in Minnesota to receive three Tony nominations (for its production of *A Year With Frog and Toad*). CTC is committed to creating world-class productions at the highest level and to developing new works, more than 200 to date, dramatically changing the canon of work for young audiences.

For 200,000 people annually, CTC aims to be a destination where families create lasting memories and grow together through the power of story and play. We seek to build emotional connections and position CTC as essential to family life and childhood development Every year, thousands of children experience theatre for the first time at CTC. Our innovative education programs demonstrably benefit the community, from the resilience-based Creative Play program for early learners to the pre-professional skill-building in our Theatre Arts Training. ACT One is CTC's comprehensive platform for access, diversity, and inclusion in our audiences, programs, staff, and board that strives to ensure the theatre is a home for all people, all families, reflective of our community. childrenstheatre.org

FOR CALENDAR EDITORS:

WHAT:
Indoor Ice Rink Installation

WHEN: November 1-23, 2026. Hours of operation are available at childrenstheatre.org/rink.

WHERE: Children's Theatre Company's Bazinet Rehearsal Hall (2400 Third Avenue South, 4th Floor, Minneapolis MN 55404)

AGE RECOMMENDATION: All ages.

COST: Free!

SHOW TICKETS: Tickets for all productions are available at childrenstheatre.org or by calling the ticket office at 612.874.0400. Ticket prices start at $25.

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