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## StarStruck Youth Musical Theatre Presents ***Legally Blonde The Musical*** in Fremont, July 27-Aug. 11, 2012

FREMONT, CA—Are you psyched or what? The international award-winning hit ***Legally Blonde The Musical*** is coming to Fremont, CA! For three weekends July 27 to August 11, StarStruck Youth Performing Arts brings Elle Woods and her friends to vibrant life onstage at Jackson Theatre at Ohlone College.

“We’re thrilled to be among the first youth performing arts organizations in the Bay Area to present this show after its award-winning Broadway run,” said Lori Stokes, StarStruck Theatre artistic director. “And we’re proud to showcase the singing-dancing-acting talents of some 50 teens from throughout the East Bay.”

Nominated for 7 Tony Awards and winner of Best Musical (Olivier Awards), this all-singing, all-dancing romantic comedy is based on the novel by Amanda Brown.

The show’s core message, be true to yourself, is especially relevant to StarStruck’s youth audience, but also resonates with seasoned theatre-goers. Fans of the 2001 movie starring Reese Witherspoon will recognize the plot: Sorority president Elle Woods doesn’t take “no” for an answer. So when her boyfriend dumps her for someone “serious,” Elle puts down the credit card, hits the books, and sets out to go where no Delta Nu has gone before: Harvard Law School. Along the way, she learns it’s so much better to be smart.

Loyal followers of StarStruck Theatre will recognize principle actors from previous shows among the ***Legally Blonde*** cast, including: Jacob Woll (Tom in *Tom Sawyer*) as Warner, Karina Simpson (Aunt Polly in *Tom Sawyer*, Adelaide in *Guys and Dolls*, Eponine in *Les Miserable*, Miss Hannigan in *Annie*) as Vivienne, Katherine de la Cruz (Sarah Brown in *Guys and Dolls*, Lily St. Regis in *Annie*) as Pilar, and Callie Garrett (Fantine in *Les Miserables*, Dorothy in *Wizard of Oz*) as Enid. In the title role of Elle Woods is StarStruck newcomer Amy Tilson-Lumetta.

Guided by StarStruck’s artistic director Lori Stokes, with musical direction by Nancy Godfrey and choreography by Jeanne Batacan-Harper, ***Legally Blonde The Musical*** is the funniest and most fabulous musical around. The best show in town, case closed.

Tickets (\$22-28) are on sale now. The show performs indoors at 7:30pm, Sunday matinees at 2:30pm. Call the StarStruck box office: 510-659-1319, or order online: <http://starstrucktheatre.org/buy-tickets/>.

### **About StarStruck Theatre**

Established in 1995, Fremont-based StarStruck Theatre is a non-profit performing arts organization dedicated to providing a place for youth to nurture their talent in performing arts while entertaining the community with live musical theatre productions of uncompromising quality.

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**Performances at:**

Jackson Theatre, Smith Center, Ohlone College, 43600 Mission Blvd., Fremont  
(<http://starstrucktheatre.org/buy-tickets/directions-to-theatre/> for map and directions)

**Prices:**

- Adults \$28
- Seniors \$26
- Students & Children \$22

**PG-13 – Parental Guidance Suggested.**

**Some Material May Not Be Suitable For Children.** Content includes mild language, sexual orientation humor, and suggestive themes.

**Performances**

- Friday, July 27 @ 7:30pm
- Saturday, July 28 @ 7:30pm
- Sunday Matinee July 29 @ 2:30pm
- Thursday, August 2 @ 7:30pm\*

- Friday, August 3 @ 7:30pm
- Saturday, August 4 @ 7:30pm
- Sunday Matinee August 5 @ 2:30pm
- Thursday, August 9 @ 7:30pm
- Friday, August 10 @ 7:30pm
- Saturday, August 11 @ 7:30pm

**\*ASL Interpreted Performance:** Thursday, August 2