

North Peace Secondary School

Presents

Aladdin



Directed By
Jennifer Baloc

Musical Direction By
Todd Koponyas

Prices

Adults: \$17

Students: \$13

Seniors & Children
under 12: \$9

Showdates

Dec. 7, 8, 13, 14, 15

Curtain Time

7:00 PM

**Tickets on Sale at the
North Peace Cultural Centre**

Aladdin, by David Swan

Noda Pantomime

(a division of the Nation Operatic and Dramatic Association)

Noda House, 1 Crestfield Street, London, WC1H 9AU



Aleisha Hendry/AHN

Heather McLane, Molly Johnson, Danielle Truscott, Travis Cooper (in chair and plays the role of Abanazar), Kayla Mulholland, Alyssa Isberg (kneeling) rehearse a scene from "Aladdin, a British Pantomime" at North Peace Secondary.

NPSS gives Aladdin a spin

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As students get in position to do a chorus-line dance and act out certain scenes in the North Peace Secondary School drama room, it becomes very clear that 'Aladdin, A British Pantomime' is definitely not the version of Aladdin that many of us saw in theatres in 1992.

"The whole thing's a little bit twisted. Aladdin is to be played by a girl and the mother of Aladdin is played by a boy," said Emily Nedeau Howatt, the girl that gets to play Aladdin.

Pantomime is a form of ritual theatre that is staged around the winter solstice. The gender switching is a staple of any pantomime perfor-

mance.

Generally, it contains four strands of humor: visual, topical, corny, and rude. In the U.K., it is considered family entertainment.

"The general story is the same, but it's much more interactive. It's going to have a lot of things the audience will recognize like songs, people and places. It's going to be a lot of fun," said Jennifer Baloc, a musical theatre teacher.

The musical theatre class will perform the play, with sets done by the stagecraft class and the School District 60 band acting as the pit band.

'Aladdin, A British Pantomime' will run at the North Peace Cultural Centre on Dec. 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15. Times and ticket information are available at the NPCC box office.