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A performing arts group has found the child who was literally wowed by a recent classical music concert. The Handel & Haydn Society had just finished a rendition of Mozart's "Masonic Funeral" at Boston's Symphony Hall on Sunday when a youngster blurted out: "WOW!" The group was so charmed that they launched a search for the "Wow Child" with the help of audio of the moment captured by WCRB-FM.

— The Associated Press



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The musical "Now. Here. This." opens Friday at The Studio Theatre Tierra del Sol and will run until May 25. Tickets are still available for \$25 online at thevillagesentertainment.com or at any Villages Box Office location.

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Don't Miss  
'Now. Here.  
This.' At  
The Studio  
Theatre

The show, which officially runs May 17-25 is a musical about four friends.

By KRISTEN FIORE  
Daily Sun Senior Writer

Like to take a journey through space and time? Join Whitney Morse, David Paul Rowan, Chantelle Cognevich and Nick Shoda for The Studio Theatre Tierra del Sol's production of "Now. Here. This."

The show, which officially opens May 17 and runs until May 25, is a musical about four friends who visit a natural history museum and end up exploring their own personal histories and roles in the universe.

"This show is unique in that it is a documentary musical," said Morse, who plays one of the friends. "It was devised using the four writers' own personal lives as inspiration. It is very quirky, smart, fun and funny in its honesty. It's also unique in its storytelling style — it's inspired by exhibits in the museum."

Ultimately, the show is about being human, and it really touches the emotions, according to Cognevich, another cast member.

"Playing around onstage and really living the moments that our characters are experiencing is incredibly cathartic," Cognevich said.

Cognevich hopes that the

show will be cathartic for the audience as well.

"I hope they feel they are not alone in life or in their feelings or experiences," she said.

Cognevich and Rowan have both acted in shows at The Studio Theatre before, most recently in "It Shoulda Been You."

Morse, who most recently appeared in The Studio Theatre's production of "A Doll's House," has a history of working with Shoda in Chicago.

"I first met him about nine years ago in Chicago," Morse said. "We did a few cabarets together and he was the doctor in the Chicago production of "Next to Normal," a musical where he had a major role.

The onstage chemistry between the actors is popping, and the group has a great musical harmony as well, Morse said.

"It's so much fun to have a group of artists that you've worked with before," Cognevich said. "We bring a lot of our persona relationships with each other to the stage and I think it shows how much fun we have together."

Tickets, which are still available, are \$25 and can be purchased online at thevillagesentertainment.com or at any Villages Box Office location.

"You don't want to miss this show," Morse said. "We only have 10 performances, so don't let it pass you by. It's so fun and hilarious. Plus, there are many pop culture references from the last 40 years, and that's always good for a laugh."

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