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## *Fiddler on the Roof Comes to Woodside*

WOODSIDE, CA -- Woodside Community Theatre marks its seventh season with a full-blown version of the Broadway show, "Fiddler on the Roof". A cast of 50 local amateur actors, dancers and singers of all ages, will perform during the first two weekends of November at the Performing Arts Center at Woodside High School, 199 Churchill Avenue.

Show times are 7:30 p.m. on November 6, 7, 13, and 14, with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. on November 8 and 15.

Tickets are on sale right now, by going to the Web site [www.woodsidtheatre.com](http://www.woodsidtheatre.com) or calling 529-4828. Ticket prices are: adults \$22, seniors \$20, and children \$15. Discounts are available for groups of 20 or more.

A veteran of Broadway himself, Director/choreographer Bill Starr says what he likes about this "old-fashioned musical is it has heart... you're entertained and taken away to another place everyday."

The setting is the village of Anatevka in 1905 where a poor dairyman, Tevye, is challenged with raising five daughters in the Jewish tradition among growing anti-Semitic czarist Russia.

Tevye is played by Daniel Matis of Pacifica, who after appearing in two other productions of "Fiddler on the Roof" on the East Coast, says he has been preparing for this part for 30 years.

Popular songs such as "If I Were a Rich Man", "Matchmaker", and "Sunrise, Sunset" carry the show, accompanied by a live orchestra of 25 musicians led by Richard Gordon.

Jerry Bock wrote the music, Sheldon Harnick the lyrics, and Joseph Stein the book.

Designed by Akio Patrick, the set is "fabulous and big... with six structures the size of a small house that take three or four people to move them," says Co-producer Mark Bowles.

He along with Mindy Bowles and Donna Losey revitalized the theatrical group after a break of a few years. They are co-producing with Claudia McCarley who plays Tevye's wife, Golde.

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