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PERFORMS A MUSICAL JOURNEY WESTWARD

THE ADVENTURES OF

LEWIS & CLARK

Monday, JUNE 2nd at 10:50 a.m. & 7 p.m.
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In 1804, the United States, under President Thomas Jefferson, commissioned Meriwether Lewis & William Clark, to travel, explore, and chart the new territories of the Louisiana Purchase. These brave men, and their companions York, Charbonneau, Sacagawea, along with their trusty dog Scannon (Seaman), traveled up the Missouri River, over the Rocky Mountains, and down the Columbia River, all the way to the Pacific Ocean. In addition to the exploration, Lewis recorded hundreds of animals and collected, pressed, and returned with more than 240 plant specimens.

On May 14, 1804, Lewis & Clark left St. Louis on a keelboat and two pirogue boats with an expedition of 29 men. Amazingly, all but one man (who died of appendicitis in Aug. 1804) survived the expedition.

The Lewis & Clark Expedition of the Louisiana Purchase kept detailed maps and diaries studying the animals, plants, terrain, and the Indians that they encountered. William Clark’s most famous journal entry was written after 19 months of exhausting and perilous travel across the continent. On November 7, 1805, near the mouth of the Columbia, he looked up from his canoe and wrote: “Ocean in view! O! The joy.”

On November 24, the captains called everyone together. Clark estimated they had traveled a staggering 4,162 miles since leaving the Mississippi. But now a decision was needed where to spend the winter. Lewis & Clark explained the options. Staying near the ocean meant they might meet a ship, get provisions, and perhaps send a man back to Washington by sea with word of their achievement. And being near ocean water, they could also make salt, which they would need for their return. Lewis & Clark could have simply imposed their own choice. Instead the Corps of Discovery asked for each person’s vote. One by one, the name of each member was called out and recorded. Clark’s slave, York, was allowed to vote—nearly 60 years before slaves were emancipated. Sacagawea, the Indian woman, voted too—more than a century before either women or Indians were granted the full rights of citizenship.

In the end, a majority decided to cross to the south side of the Columbia. There, together, they would spend the winter with all of North America between themselves and their countrymen.

The story of the bold journey of the Lewis & Clark expedition is told in the musical “The Adventures of Lewis & Clark.” May your journey on our musical adventure be as wondrous and as rewarding as it was for Lewis, Clark, and their fellow explorers!
**Meriwether Lewis** was only 35 when he died. It is suspected that he committed suicide just three years after his return from the expedition. Although his appointment as Governor of the Louisiana Territory was an honor meant as a reward for his accomplishments, Lewis was miscast and miserable as an executive. He was not cut out to be an administrator, and other officials frequently criticized his decisions. Governor Lewis was particularly offended when his modest, legitimate expenses were questioned by members of the new administration of President **James Monroe**.

Personal problems also plagued him. He was an unhappy bachelor whose marriage proposal(s) had been rejected. After settling in St. Louis, he was short of money and feared bankruptcy, as a result of unwise real estate investments. He had hoped to bring his widowed mother to St. Louis and provide a home for her near him but lack of funds made this impossible.

**William Clark** was well suited to his new responsibilities. Shortly after his return from the expedition he moved to St. Louis, where he successfully took over his duties as Brigadier General of the Militia for the Louisiana Territory. He was also delighted to serve as superintendent of Indian Affairs, a post he enjoyed for life. Because of his deep-seated concern about Indians welfare, chiefs respected and trusted him. During the War of 1812, Clark was able to keep the Indians from being influenced by British agents, who had tried to incite them against the United States. Clark was appointed Governor of the Missouri Territory three times. He held that post until Missouri became a state in 1829.

Clark married in 1809, raised a family of five (the first born named Meriwether Lewis Clark), and volunteered to act as guardian for several Indian children, (including Sacagawea’s children). He died at the age of 68, in 1838.

**York**, who had been a valuable member of the expedition, was not given his freedom for many years. It is shocking to learn that Clark leased York to a man who misused him, and it is heartbreaking to know that York was married to a woman who was owned by another family. When Clark finally made York a free man some time before 1832, he gave his former slave a wagon and horses and set him up in business hauling freight. Clark was later told that York died of cholera, after years of drudgery.

**Sacagawea and Charbonneau** lived among the Mandan’s for a time. Their son, Jean Baptiste (Pomp), and a daughter of Charbonneau from another wife were brought to Clark, who acted as their guardian and arranged for their education in St. Louis. When Jean Baptiste grew up he became a well-known guide for western travelers. Eventually Charbonneau and Sacagawea separated. He spent the rest of his life guiding fur traders and acting as their interpreter. No one knows how or where Sacagawea spent her remaining years. There are conflicting accounts about her death. According to a biography written by Grace Hebard in 1933, Sacagawea died at a Shoshone Indian reservation in 1884. But, according to a trader’s journal, dated Dec. 20, 1812, “this Evening the Wife of Charbonneau, a Snake (Shoshone) Squaw, died of putrid fever she was a good and the best Women in the fort, aged about 25 years she left a fine infant girl.” Clark wrote that by 1828 Sacagawea was dead. Most historians have concluded that she died at an early age.

Little is known about the lives of most of the other men on the expedition. Some, like Sgt. Patrick Gass, Sgt. Nathaniel Pryor, and Pvt. Joseph Whitehouse, re-enlisted in the army. Others, like Sgt. John Ordway, married and settled on farms. Private John Colter, who became a fur trapper, gained fame as the discoverer of the Yellowstone Park area. George Drouillard, the expedition’s expert hunter and interpreter, and Private John Potts also returned to the wilderness as fur trappers. They were killed by Blackfeet Indians in 1810.

**What a Deal**

Thomas Jefferson purchased the Louisiana Territory, 820,000 square miles, for $15 million. After interest the final total came to be $27,267,622. That works out to be only about 3 cents an acre.

**An Equal Opportunity Expedition**

When the expedition reached the Pacific the party voted on where to spend the winter. York, Clark’s slave, is allowed to vote, nearly 60 years before slaves in the U.S. would be emancipated. Sacagawea is also allowed to vote, more than a century before either women or Native Americans are granted full rights of citizenship.

**Oops**

While hunting in present day North Dakota, Lewis was accidentally shot (in the behind) by Pierre Cruzatte, a nearsighted member of the crew.

**Good Boy**

Before the expedition began Lewis purchased a Newfoundland dog, Seaman, for $20. Although not mentioned very often in their journals, it is believed that Seaman made the entire journey.

**What’s for Dinner?**

When game was plentiful, each man ate about 9 pounds of meat per day. Lewis had dried soup made that was packed in canisters. After the explorers ate the soup, they melted down the canisters to make bullets.

**What’s Happening in the United States?**

- The United States celebrated its 20th birthday.
- The second United States census recorded 5,300,000 Americans, including almost 900,000 slaves.
- Scientist Joseph Priestly identified oxygen.
- The first tax-supported public library opened.
- Shoes began to be designed specifically for right and left feet.
- Johnny Appleseed was hard at work giving away and selling apple trees.

**DID YOU KNOW??**

**Long Haul**

The expedition traveled over 8,000 over a period of 2 years, 4 months, and 10 days.

**Good Guess**

When the expedition reached the Pacific, Clark estimated they had traveled 4,162 miles from the mouth of the Missouri to the Pacific. His guess was within 40 miles of the actual distance.
**THE CAST & CHOIR OF LEWIS & CLARK**

**June 2nd (evenings)**  **June 3rd**

**INTRODUCTION:**
- Kiley Keating  Kiley Keating
- Ryan Whalen  Ryan Whalen
- Jamie Brennan  Jamie Brennan
- Sofia Cervantes  Sofia Cervantes
- Katie MacKechnie  Griffin Chodler
- Kailey Freedman-Setaro  Kailey Freedman
- Jacob Tan  Jacob Tan

**CAPTAIN**
- Meriwether Lewis  Tyler Fichman
  - Ryan Whalen
- Capt. William Clark  Waylon Asp
  - Elizabeth Leach
- Charbonneau  Max Hughes
  - Kiran Shah
- Sacagawea  Kaya Daniels
  - Jenna Colligan
- York  Nathan Goldberg
  - Jake Henry
- Scannon  Isabella Camacho
  - Bailey Tibbetts
- James Monroe  Brielle Hamm
  - Juliette DeBaets
- Robert Livingston  Sammy Knox
  - Carly Milosevic
- Napoleon Bonapart  Graham McDonald
  - Teddy Glazman
- Thomas Jefferson  Griffin Chodler
  - Anthony Saliba
- Cassie  Kiley Dunne
  - Olivia Arensdorf
- Marie  Brooke Blake
  - Lily Farber
- Lisa  Kiley Keating
  - Kyle Lukas
- Devon  Elle Stoddard
  - Elle Stoddard
- Sam  Megan Rodrigues
  - Grace Householter
- Julie  Gabby Meyers
  - Leila Clausen
- Cheryl  Jordan Koo
  - Gracie Baker
- Michelle  Jamie Brennan
  - London Mills
- Katie  Katie Amir
  - Jasmine Jonas
- Laura  Ryann Goldberg
  - Ryann Goldberg
- Soldier A  Jacob Tan
  - Jacob Tan
- Soldier C  Gracie Baker
  - Jordan Koo
- Sgt. Ordway  Katie Parks
  - Sofia Cervantes
- Sgt. Pryor  Garrett Gronbach
  - Kai Hudson
- Private Newman  Bryson Ehrhard
  - Jackson Hawkins
- Private Hall  Keil Smith
  - Keil Smith
- Private Gibson  Parker McGinley
  - Parker McGinley

**PRIVATE BRATTON**
- Ethan Perch  Jackson Webster

**PRIVATE FIELDS**
- Luigi Salvaggio  Joseph DeBaets
- Emily Shahin  Emily Shahin
- Lola Nash  Lola Nash
- Brooke Baudendistel  Brooke Baudendistel
- Evie Salvaggio  Kailey Freedman-Setaro
- Mila Match

**NATIVE AM. INDIANS**
- Roxanne Fusco  Gianna Nicora
- Jordan Provin  Jordan Provin
- Ava-Sophia Miller  Ava-Sophia Miller
- Bella Nash  Bella Nash
- Carly Greskovics  Carly Greskovics
- Vanessa Amaral  Vanessa Amaral
- Avanthi Pillan  Avanthi Pillan
- Alison Kokorowski  Alison Kokorowski
- Hayley Balen  Hayley Balen
- Katia MacKecknie  Katia MacKecknie
- Kirra Troeger  Kirra Troeger
- Danielle Webster  Danielle Webster

**Soloist:**
- Amanda Longhurst  Baden Schloss

**Other Native Am.**
- Baden Schloss  Amanda Longhurst
- Jasmine Jonas  Katie Amir
- Sofia Cervantes  Jamie Brennan
- Leila Clausen  Isabella Camacho
- Jenna Colligan  Kaya Daniels
- Juliette DeBaets  Brielle Hamm
- Lily Farber  Brooke Blake
- Kyle Lukas  Kiley Keating
- London Mills  Gabby Meyers
- Carly Milosevic  Katie Parks
- Bailey Tibbetts  Kailey Dunne
- Olivia Arensdorf  Megan Rodrigues

**Other Explorers**
- Tedd Glazman  Graham McDonald
- Jake Henry  Nathan Goldberg
- Kai Hudson  Garrett Gronbach
- Joseph DeBaets  Luigi Salvaggio
- Kiran Shah  Max Hughes
- Anthony Saliba  Griffin Chodler
- Jackson Hawkins  Bryson Ehrhard
- Elizabeth Leach  Waylon Asp
- Ryan Whalen  Tyler Fichman
- Jackson Webster  Sammy Knox
- Ethan Perch

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