



## In honor of Black History Month Crane River Theater presents **Pretty Fire**

Crane River Theater was created to serve the state of Nebraska and surrounding areas as a professional theater company providing a home for the presentation, education, and promotion of the arts. We audition thousands of artists from across the country each year for our productions and programs. Education is at the core of our mission and we are excited to offer an amazing opportunity for your students. In honor of Black History Month, Crane River Theater will be travelling to high schools across Nebraska and Kansas with the powerful one-woman production of *Pretty Fire* by Charlayne Woodard. This award-winning play addresses race and diversity through the eyes of a child living in the South during the civil rights movement.

Crane River Theater is honored to welcome nationally acclaimed actress, Katherine LeRoy-Lawson, for this inspiring production. Katherine is a professional performer, director, and educator at South Georgia State College. Her acting career spans 17 years in theatre, film and television. Notable credits include A Raisin in the Sun, For Colored Girls, In the Next Room, The 13th of Paris, and Speech and Debate. Katherine was recently honored by the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival for the creation and direction of "Expressions... A Necessary Conversation". There is no better way to tackle the issues of diversity and inclusion than with storytelling. Crane River Theater will travel to your school to present this 90-minute production, followed by an optional talkback with the director and actor. Supplemental learning packets are available to teachers and students two weeks prior to the performance so they can reflect on topics before our arrival. We hope you will consider this valuable opportunity for your students.



Katherine LeRoy-Lawson

Crane River Theater understands the importance of safety during this time. We will strictly follow all state and local health directives as we tour to area schools. Our production team will work with your school administration to ensure the safety of your students and our artists. We are able to perform *Pretty Fire* in any venue that allows for adequate social distancing. This could be your auditorium, gym, cafeteria or large multi-purpose room. Schools are welcome to make this opportunity available to select classes or the entire student population. Additional performances are available for a discounted rate.

"Pretty Tire is inspiring, illuminating, and engrossing." - New York Newsday "One of the most positive pictures of the black American experience." - The New York Times "Moving and exhilarating. A profound celebration of life." - Daily News

Available Touring Dates: February 15th-26th, 2021
Location: Your school's auditorium, gym, cafeteria or multi-purpose room
Cost: \$750 for one live performance/talkback (\$250 per additional performance)
Virtual Option: A recorded performance, including interactive learning material, is available for use in multiple classrooms between February 22-March 15; \$300 cost

For more information or to reserve a date and time for your school, please contact us at 308-627-5796 or email us at Info@CraneRiverTheater.org.