

‘How the Grinch Stole Christmas’

A curmudgeonly villain is a recurring theme in holiday entertainment (see: Dickens’ Scrooge in “A Christmas Carol,” Dr. Potter in “It’s a Wonderful Life”). But Dr. Seuss’ miserly Grinch, who sets out to rob the Christmas spirit from the residents of Whoville, remains a perennial favorite for kids and adults alike. The Children’s Theatre Company’s adaptation of the classic book and animated TV special has been delighting local audiences for years, thanks to Reed Sigmund’s raucous performance as the Grinch, whimsical staging, cartoonish costumes and eye-popping special effects, such as the Grinch and his dog Max flying through the air in their sleigh. Rounded out by a seven-piece live band, original musical score enthusiastically sung by the cast and a heart-tugging performance by Mabel Weismann as Cindy-Lou Who, the show just might make your heart grow three sizes.

When: Ends Jan. 7

Where: Children’s Theatre Company, 2400 3rd Ave. S.

Cost: \$15–\$75

Info: childrenstheatre.org