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## Shea's Performing Arts Center Launches "Stage & Story Book Club"

From Page to Stage: A New Reading Program Connects Literature  
with Productions Coming to the Shea's Buffalo Stage

Shea's Performing Arts Center announces the launch of **Shea's Stage & Story Book Club**. This brand-new program invites the community to explore the themes behind the productions that will be featured on the Shea's Buffalo Theatre stage this season.

Many of Shea's upcoming performances are rooted in literary work. Shea's Stage & Story Book Club offers readers, whether solo, with family, or in groups, an opportunity to engage with the stories behind the shows. Throughout the season two children's books and two adult books based on themes similar to an upcoming show will be featured.

The [Buffalo and Erie County Public Library](#) and local bookstores including, [Alice Ever After Books](#), [Talking Leaves Books](#), and the [Barnes and Noble](#) Clarence location, are Shea's Stage & Story Book Club partners.

### **September: Belonging, Identity & Found Family**

To kick off the season, Shea's Stage & Story centers around the themes of belonging, identity, and found family, the foundation of the storyline behind the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical **The Outsiders**, coming to the Shea's Buffalo Theatre stage [September 17 – 23](#).

Companion books this month include:

**The Outsiders** by S.E. Hinton (Core Read)

**When I Was the Greatest** by Jason Reynolds

**Because of Winn-Dixie** by Kate DiCamillo (Children's Selection)

**Save Me A Seat** by Sarah Weeks & Gita Varadarajan (Children's Selection)

Readers are encouraged to explore these works, reflect on their meanings and join in conversations, in person or on social media. For more information, including the full list of **Shea's Stage & Story** featured books, visit: <https://www.sheas.org/book-club>.

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