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## **Two Coweta Students in Backyard Kids Theatre Production of *Cinderella***

### **Kelsi Adams and Abby Mortensen Experienced in Musical Theatre**

By now everyone who is *au courant* with the Southside performing arts scene knows about the Fayette-based Backyard Kids Theatre, their upcoming production of Rodgers & Hammerstein's *Cinderella* on June 13 & 14 in Fayetteville, and that there will be two Coweta County students involved, Kelsi Adams and **Abby Mortenson**. (Anyone who has missed this or wants more details than in the accounts you have read, can consult this website <http://backyardkidstheatre.org>.) Both Kelsi and Abby were asked to be involved because of their impressive performing arts backgrounds, which is easily shown by their involvement in two of the most important works of musical theatre which were produced on the Southside last year.

Kelsi Adams played the role of the Southern Belle Temperance Weatherby in The Twilight Theatre's performance of Frank Wildhorn's *The Civil War* last year at The Wadsworth. She also was on the cast of the recent performance of *Oklahoma* at the Centre for Performing and Visual Arts of Coweta County. The photograph below shows Kelsi, who is the Hair and Make Up Co-ordinator, assisting the lead actress, Paige McCauley, who is playing the role of Cinderella. At the age of 17, Kelsi is also serving as a role model for the other students, who are younger than she is.

**Abby Mortenson was a member of the VOICES Youth Ensemble which performed in the prestigious *Christmas Mist Concert* in December last year at The Wadsworth under the leadership of Artistic Director Maria Pia Ugarte, who is one of the leading instructors in vocal arts on the Southside. Abby Mortenson is one of Ugarte's students at her studio in Fayetteville, which is a great honor, especially for someone as young as Abby, who is only in fifth grade! The photograph below shows Abby in her role as cloth merchant during the beginning of the show. Later in the show she plays the role of a palace maiden dancing several numbers in the ball. She will also be featured in several vocal solos.**

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