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## **Young Audiences New Jersey Family Series at TRTC Kicks Off with kid-friendly rockers RockRoots on October 14**

***(Photos & Media Interviews Available – Call 732.345.1400 x830)***

The second season of Young Audiences New Jersey performances for children and their families at Two River Theater Company in Red Bank will officially get underway on Saturday, October 14 at 11am when the four talented musicians of the award-winning group RockRoots take to the stage of the Joan & Robert Rechnitz Theater. From rockabilly to rap, RockRoots uses song to trace the evolution of American pop music and rock 'n roll while demonstrating each instrument, explaining its origin, and discussing how a rock band works together to create an ensemble sound.

“RockRoots appeals to young people who are interested in today’s rock and pop music as well as teachers and parents who remember some of the tunes as ‘their’ music, not merely a part of history,” Larry Capo, Executive Director of Young Audiences said.

The band displays its diverse musical talents by introducing American roots music with African drum beats, ethnic folk dance, Delta blues, big band swing, R & B, and country music. The fun continues with early Rock and Roll styles such as rockabilly, doo-wop, surf, Memphis beat, Philly, Psychedelic and Motown sounds, English invasion and Jimi Hendrix, disco and world beat.

The band plays several world beat tunes and synthesizes the entire show with a tongue-in-cheek RockRoots rap. Dispersed throughout the show, historical and social connections are made, the band interacts with kids and adults in the audience, and it's obvious the band is having a good time, too.

### **Remaining Young Audiences New Jersey performance dates at TRTC:**

Urban dance/music artists **Urgeworks** on February 17 – 11 am

Storyteller **David Gonzalez** on March 24 – 11 am

Solo electric violinist **Caryn Lin** on May 19 – 11 am

All tickets \$12. Tickets for RockRoots and all TRTC events are on sale at 732.345.1400 or online at [www.trtc.org](http://www.trtc.org).

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Two River Theater Company, under the leadership of Executive Producer Robert M. Rechnitz was founded in 1994 as Monmouth County's first professional regional theater in 30 years. Over the past 12 seasons, TRTC has grown into one of New Jersey's most vital arts organizations combining the production values of Broadway with the very real human values of education, enlightenment, and the betterment of our community through artistic exploration. TRTC has presented professional (Actors' Equity Association) productions of the highest quality to an ever-expanding audience while performing at Monmouth University in West Long Branch, Algonquin Arts Theater in Manasquan, and at the current location at the new state-of-the-art venue at 21 Bridge Avenue in Red Bank. Two River's mission is to perform from the world body of dramatic literature, including new works, those plays which most richly direct our gaze to the life of the human spirit in all of its shifting modes, its thought, its suffering, its passion, its joy and laughter. As one of New Jersey's leading regional theaters, Two River Theater Company, a not-for-profit arts organization, is supported in part by grants from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Dept. of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, and The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, in addition to contributions from many corporations, foundations, businesses and individuals. Two River Theater Company is a member of Theatre Communications Group and the New Jersey Theatre Alliance.