

Eat for the Arts will fill your belly, benefit the arts on June 5, 2015

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Tasty. Scrumptious. Delicious. These are just a few of the words that will accompany the upcoming **Eat for the Arts** (EFTA) event at [Latitude 41N](#) on **Friday, June 5, 2015**. Benefiting [Talespinner Children's Theatre](#) (TCT), this yummy all-day experience will fill your stomach and help out the arts at TCT in the Gordon Square Arts District area.

Not familiar yet with TCT? According to their website, "TCT creates work that remembers that children are smaller people, not lesser people." With classes, workshops and performances for young thespians, TCT caters to the wee ones while appreciating and celebrating the kid inside all of us adults who accompany them.

I chatted with TCT Executive Artistic Director, **Ali Garrigan**, about the exciting culinary opportunity.

Kate Miller: How many years has TCT been doing Eat for the Arts (EFTA)?

Ali Garrigan: This will be TCT's third Eat for the Arts with Latitude 41N.

KM: How does EFTA work?

AG: Latitude donates a generous portion of EVERY MEAL - breakfast, lunch, and dinner - ordered from opening to closing on Friday, June 5th to Talespinner Children's Theatre. There is no extra cost to the customer - it comes out of Latitude's generous and supportive pockets!

KM: At what venues have you done this in the past?

AG: The year before we began our relationship with Latitude, we did an Eat for the Arts day at Johnny Mango's.

KM: How did you pair up with Latitude 41?

AG: Our entire company adores Latitude, Kathy, and the staff. We started eating there, then meeting there. We sometimes refer to Latitude as our "other office." Great food, great people, great prices!

KM: What's your favorite food over at Latitude 41?

AG: Everything. Ha! But seriously, they DO make the best pizza I've ever had. My personal favorite is the Southern BBQ Chicken pizza.

KM: TCT is always busy! Tell me about the upcoming show, *The Silent Princess*.

AG: *The Silent Princess*, adapted from an old Turkish folktale by Claire Robinson May, tells the story of a young prince who wants more than anything to be friends with the Silent Princess. She has sworn only to befriend the person who can give her a good reason to break her vow of silence and convince her to speak to them three times. The tale revolves around the prince's determined trip to meet her, and his efforts - with the help of a magical, talking mouse - to be her very best friend. Along the way, the prince learns lessons of courage, self-confidence, and kindness. It's a sweet, charming, funny, musical and magical tale that will appeal to both girls and boys - and their parents!

KM: How will EFTA benefit TSP and other TCT productions this year?

AG: Since TCT is in the process of expanding, the funds will most likely go to improving the lobby and box office experience of patrons who come to see The Silent Princess. Funds remaining after that will be put back into actual programming at the theatre, so that kids can go on having adventures, and let their imaginations PLAY!

Eat for the Arts will take place at **Latitude 41N**, located at 5712 Detroit Ave., [Cleveland](#), OH 44102. The event will go all day, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

* For a look at **Latitude 41N**'s amazing menu, [CLICK HERE](#).

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