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Reynolds Performance Hall to present ‘Warriors Don’t Cry’

CONWAY — The University of Central Arkansas Reynolds Performance Hall will present “Warriors Don’t Cry” at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 2, 2022.

Inspired by Melba Pattillo Beals’s Little Rock Nine memoir “Warriors Don’t Cry,” this production is a catalyst for deeper discussion about social responsibility, civil discourse, social media, community engagement and freedom.

Reluctant to cope with one more tragedy in a school, young activist Ya Girl is ready to call it quits on leading her million-plus Instagram followers in the fight for social justice. When Melba Pattillo Beals steps out of history and into Ya Girl’s phone to share the story of her battle to integrate Little Rock Central High School in 1957, Ya Girl learns to see herself in Melba—and in all the young warriors who came before her to raise their hands and make a difference.

The performance will end with a presentation by the Writeous Poets, a youth performance spoken-word collective from Little Rock Central High School along with a Q&A session from Stacy James McAdoo, founder of the group and the 2019 Arkansas Teacher of the Year.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children. UCA students will be admitted for free. Tickets may be purchased online at uca.edu/Reynolds, at the Reynolds Box Office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by calling UCA Ticket Central at (501) 450-3265 or toll-free at (866) 810-0012.