



THE CALICO BUFFALO Development Chronology

- 1989 – 1999**, Inspired by a dream, The Calico Buffalo begins as a rhyming word game.
By 1999, the rhyme has grown to 75 pages in length. The decision to publish is made.
- 2000** – The illustrations are created, the book is designed, pre-release reviews are gathered
- 2001** – September 01, The Calico Buffalo children’s book, is released. First book signing, Boston, MA
- 2001** – September 11th, all stops. Orders and events are cancelled. The project is swept aside.
- 2002 – 2009**, Donations of the 3000 copies of the first edition begins. Books are sent to organizations such as The Dollywood Literacy Foundation, TN, The Books from the Heart Foundation, Washington, DC, The Military Children’s Educators Foundation, Fort Meyer, Washington, DC, The Camel Library, Ethiopia, as well as schools, book clubs, and such. Of the original run of books, 2500 copies are donated. All work on book promotion ceases.
- 2010** – September, Adaptation of the ‘The Calico Buffalo’, for musical theatre, begins
- 2011** – September, Austin Cast, 1st Table Read, Lady Bird Johnson Library, Austin TX
- 2012** – January, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2012** – April, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2012** – September, Austin Cast, Table Read, Lady Bird Johnson Library, Austin, TX
- 2013** – January, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2013** – April, New York Cast, Table Read, Pearl Studios, NYC
- 2013** – September, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2014** – January, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2014** – April, New York Cast, Table Read, Pearl Studios, NYC
- 2014** – July 8th & 12th, Staged Reading, NYMF, The Studio Theatre, Theatre Row, NYC
- 2014** – September, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2015** – January, New York Cast, Table Read, Pearl Studios, NYC
- 2015** – May, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2015** – July 8th -16th, Proof of Concept; New York Cast, NYMF Next Link Production, PTC Performance Space, NY. Production Awarded the audience award, ‘Best of Fest’.
- 2015** – September, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2016** – January, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC
- 2016** – April, New York Cast, Table Read, Ripley Grier Studios, NYC, Outreach Begins
- 2017** – March, Stapleton & Stopschinski named Finalists for the Jonathan Larson Award
- 2017** – Stapleton re-illustrates the children’s book for a digital edition.
- 2018** – The digital edition of The Calico Buffalo is released (amazon.com)
- 2018** – March, Stapleton & Stopschinski named Finalists for the Jonathan Larson Award
- 2019** – Outreach ramps up.
- 2020** – COVID hits. All stops.
- 2023** – Outreach Resumes.