

NEW YORK, Sept. 27, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Simon & Schuster Audio is proud to announce that Academy Award-winning actress Octavia Spencer will narrate the audiobook edition of her children's book

RANDI RHODES

, NINJA DETECTIVE: THE CASE OF THE TIME-CAPSULE BANDIT

. The audiobook will be available on CD and for download on October 15, 2013

A veteran character actress and one of Hollywood's most sought-after talents, Spencer has become a familiar fixture on both television and in film. Her critically acclaimed performance as Minny in DreamWorks' *The Help* won her the 2012 Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress as well as the BAFTA, Golden Globe, SAG, and Broadcast Critics' Choice Awards, among countless other honors.

"I'm thrilled to narrate the audiobook edition of **THE CASE OF THE TIME-CAPSULE BANDIT**," says the first-time novelist. "Acting and writing go hand-in-hand for me, so making my story come to life with my voice has been an amazing experience. I can't wait for everyone to listen to it."

In **THE CASE OF THE TIME-CAPSULE BANDIT**, Randi Rhodes isn't your average twelve-year-old. She's a Brooklyn vigilante with a Tae Kwon Do black belt. But circumstances take a turn for the worse when Randi's mother passes away and her father decides to move to the small and sleepy town of Deer Creek, Tennessee. Randi is miserable until a mystery arises: the town's two-hundred-year-old time capsule, which is rumored to contain hidden treasure, inexplicably disappears. Randi must solve the case, as the town's fate hangs in the balance.

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"It's always a tremendous listening experience when an author brings their own characters to life," says Chris Lynch, President & Publisher of Simon & Schuster Audio. "When the author is as an accomplished performer as Octavia Spencer, the audiobook becomes something truly special."

Fun, sweet, and hilarious, **THE CASE OF THE TIME-CAPSULE BANDIT** is a perfect fit for family listening.

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