

THEATRE

THE ARTS CENTER OF CANNON COUNTY

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ARTIST INFORMATION

The Arts Center of Cannon County is committed to quality programming for students that is educational as well as fun. The Arts Center is a unique model for rural arts organizations. In a town of 2,000 and a county of 12,000, The Arts Center annually attracts more than 40,000 visitors.

EVENT INFORMATION

THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES

The Emperor finds out that clothes do not really "make the man" when he is duped by two schemers who say they can make a suit that can only be seen by those who are intelligent. A delightful, funny retelling of one of Hans Christian Andersen's most popular fairy tales. A play by Greg Atkins, based on the story by Hans Christian Andersen.

CONTACT: Tara Deason
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.00 per student
EVENT DATE: November 11-20, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 12:30 pm
EVENT LOCATION: Arts Center of Cannon County
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 1 hour

THE VELVETEEN RABBIT

This classic story takes us back to the nursery with a boy and his velveteen rabbit. Although the rabbit is not new or shiny, the boy loves him best. Join the velveteen rabbit in his pursuit of what it means to be real and really loved. A PLAY BY Phil Grecian, based on the book by Margery Williams.

CONTACT: Tara Deason
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.00 per student
EVENT DATE: February 24-26, 2009 and March 3-5, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 12:30 pm
EVENT LOCATION: Arts Center of Cannon County
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 4
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 1 hour

NUMBER THE STARS

During the German occupation of Denmark in World War II, Danish freedom fighters of all ages risked everything in daring attempts to rescue the Jewish population. In this stirring new play, young Anne Marie and Kirsti face their fears as they try to help their friend Ellen escape to Sweden safely. Adapted by Dr. Douglas W. Larche, based on the book by Lois Lowry a National Best Seller and winner of the Newberry Award and the American Library Association Book of the Year.

CONTACT: Tara Deason
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.00 per student
EVENT DATE: May 5-14, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 12:30 pm
EVENT LOCATION: Arts Center of Cannon County
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 3 – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 1 hour

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EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

A TUNA CHRISTMAS

Come spend the holidays with your favorite citizens of Tuna, Texas! Two actors portray all 22 citizens in their town of Tuna, the third smallest town in Texas – where the Lion’s Club is too liberal and Patsy Cline never dies. Come join the holiday cheer! Perfect for high school theatre and drama students. A Tuna Christmas will be a hit with your teenagers. A play by Ed Howard, Joe Sears, and Jaston Williams.

<u>CONTACT:</u>	Tara Deason
<u>STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE:</u>	\$5.00 per student
<u>EVENT DATE:</u>	December 10 and 17, 2008
<u>EVENT TIMES:</u>	9:00 am and 11:30 am
<u>EVENT LOCATION:</u>	Arts Center of Cannon County
<u>APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS:</u>	Grade 9 – Grade 12
<u>LENGTH OF PROGRAM:</u>	2 hours

COOKEVILLE CHILDREN'S THEATRE

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ARTIST INFORMATION

Cookeville Children's Theatre is committed to providing artistically excellent theatrical productions that foster creativity, self-discovery, critical thinking, peer collaboration, social interaction, and moral character development in young people, while engaging the audience and the Upper Cumberland community through outstanding performances, education, and community outreach programs.

EVENT INFORMATION

SEUSSICAL JR.

The Broadway musical based on your favorite Dr. Seuss characters! The brilliant imagination of Dr. Seuss has long entertained children and adults alike for decades. With fantastical creatures, environments, and plots, Seuss's works inspire on every level. Seussical Jr. is no exception as it brings the creations of Dr. Seuss to the musical stage. Featuring characters such as Horton the Elephant, The Cat in the Hat, The Grinch, and even the famous Who's of Whoville, this musical will bring amusement to people of all ages!

<u>CONTACT:</u>	Lori Talbert, School Scheduler
<u>STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE:</u>	\$5.00 per student. Teachers are free.
<u>EVENT DATE:</u>	November 11, 12, 14, 18, 19 and 21, 2008
<u>EVENT TIMES:</u>	9:00 am and 12:30 pm
<u>EVENT LOCATION:</u>	Cookeville Drama Center
<u>APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS:</u>	Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 6
<u>LENGTH OF PROGRAM:</u>	60-80 minutes

CUMBERLAND COUNTY PLAYHOUSE

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ARTIST INFORMATION

The Cumberland County Playhouse provides arts opportunities to a vast region underserved by other arts resources, including rural East and Middle Tennessee, North Georgia, Southern Kentucky, and Northern Alabama, as well as metropolitan Knoxville, Nashville and Chattanooga. It serves more than 165,000 visitors annually with two indoor and one outdoor theaters, young audience productions, a comprehensive dance program, a concert series and touring shows. The Playhouse is committed to the arts as an indigenous, homegrown part of rural America - not a commodity imported from urban centers. The Playhouse regularly produces new works based upon Tennessee and Southeastern history and culture, plus state and regional premieres and revivals of works with Appalachian themes. The Playhouse also strives to stretch its audiences with programming which includes major elements of opera, dance, and challenging dramatic works. The Playhouse features nearly 500 performances and 1600 classes in theatre, music and dance annually.

EVENT INFORMATION

SOUTH PACIFIC

On "*Some Enchanted Evening*", with the nation at war across the globe, a European gentleman encounters a "little hick" of an American country girl. Though their customs collide he discovers that *There's Nothing Like a Dame* to sweep even a widower off his feet. A magnificent musical journey into America's past – so much like the present.

CONTACT: Michael Elmore, Group Sales Manager
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student
EVENT DATE: October 16 & October 22, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 9:30am
EVENT LOCATION: Cumberland County Playhouse
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 4 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: up to 2 ½ hours

CROWNS

In this celebration of the spirit, the Sunday hats and customs of black women are a springboard into memory, Southern traditions, and history.

CONTACT: Michael Elmore, Group Sales Manager
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student
EVENT DATE: November 4 & November 6, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 11:00am
EVENT LOCATION: Cumberland County Playhouse
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 4 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: up to 2 ½ hours

WHITE CHRISTMAS

Based on the beloved, timeless time, this heartwarming musical adaptation features seventeen Irving Berlin songs. The dazzling score features well known standards including *Blue Skies*, *I Love a Piano*, *How Deep Is the Ocean*, and the perennial favorite, *White Christmas*.

CONTACT: Michael Elmore, Group Sales Manager
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student
EVENT DATE: November 20, November 24, and December 12, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 9:00am, 11:00am, and 11:15am
EVENT LOCATION: Cumberland County Playhouse
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 3 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: up to 2 ½ hours

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EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

A SANDERS FAMILY CHRISTMAS

The Sanders family returns to Mount Pleasant Baptist Church. It's Christmas Eve, 1941, following Pearl Harbor. The family has one last performance before young Dennis ships out for boot camp. Enjoy more than two dozen Christmas Carols, many of them vintage hymns, and hilarious yuletide stories!

CONTACT: Michael Elmore, Group Sales Manager
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student
EVENT DATE: November 18, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 11:00am
EVENT LOCATION: Cumberland County Playhouse
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 4 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: up to 2 ½ hours

THE NUTCRACKER

Featuring our dance faculty and advanced students, this Nutcracker captures the holiday magic of the great Kirov traditions, as recreated by our Dance Director Eldar Valiev and Lilia Vivieva. An international classic, beautifully danced and staged, right here at home.

CONTACT: Michael Elmore, Group Sales Manager
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student
EVENT DATE: December 5 and December 8, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 9:00am and 11:00am
EVENT LOCATION: Cumberland County Playhouse
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: up to 2 ½ hours

ELIZABETH DAVIDSON
HARRIET BEECHER STOWE: A Literary Soldier
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ARTIST INFORMATION

Elizabeth Davidson has been a professional actress for more than thirty years. She is a member of all three actor's unions: Actor's Equity Association, American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, and the Screen Actor's Guild. She received a Bachelor's degree in voice and theatre from the prestigious Indiana University, School of Music and has performed in theatres around the country in all genres, from musicals to Shakespeare. Since moving to Nashville in 1993, she has worked extensively for Gaylord Entertainment and appeared in many productions at the Tennessee Repertory Theatre, Mockingbird Theatre, and TheaterCraft, Inc.

EVENT INFORMATION

"This is among the finest historical and biographical works I have seen. It is a work that deserves a wide audience and should be presented not only to audiences throughout the South, but across the nation." Ron Wynn, Nashville City Paper

HARRIET BEECHER STOWE: A Literary Soldier

"Harriet Beecher Stowe: A Literary Soldier" is a one woman play based on the author's life, letters and her most famous novel, "Uncle Tom's Cabin". It blends biographical and historical material and actual scenes from the book perfectly balanced for dramatic presentation. This play exposes students to theatre in its purest form, one actor and the audience. The play will give the students a sense of history and its relevance to their personal lives. It can and should be a catalyst for a discussion on race relations then and now. Finally, and most importantly, it will acquaint them with the life of this most extraordinary woman whose most famous novel helped to shape the history of this nation.

<u>CONTACT:</u>	Elizabeth Davidson
<u>STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE:</u>	\$600.00 first performance/\$900 for 2 shows back to back, same day & location
<u>EVENT DATE:</u>	September 2008 – May 2009
<u>EVENT TIMES:</u>	During School hours
<u>EVENT LOCATION:</u>	Your School Auditorium, Theatre or Gymnasium
<u>APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS:</u>	Grade 5 – Grade 12
<u>LENGTH OF PROGRAM:</u>	60 minutes; can be tailored to accommodate class schedules

EDUCATIONAL TOURING THEATRE

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ARTIST INFORMATION

Educational Touring Theatre is a curriculum-based, professional touring theatre. ETT has produced and presented educational theatre programs since 1982, making over 3,000 presentations during that time. ETT Director, Neil Spencer, is a professional actor and playwright. In addition to his work with ETT, he has worked at theatres across the country, and performed for television, radio, and film. Spencer is also a teaching artist for the Tennessee Performing Arts Center, a Tennessee Arts Commission roster artist, and a member of the Actors Equity Association.

EVENT INFORMATION

GIANTS of ELECTRICAL SCIENCE

Who was the greatest electrical scientist of all time? This fast paced, interactive theatre presentation will help answer that question as Benjamin Franklin, Alessandro Volta, Michael Faraday, and Thomas Edison, vie for the title of "Giant of Electrical Science." With the help of student volunteers, each scientist will demonstrate his special contributions to the science of electricity. Along the way, students will learn all about electricity and how it works.

CONTACT: Neil Spencer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$400.00 per performance (includes three presentations\$50 for each additional presentation)
Audience size limited to 150 maximum. Additional Travel Fee for outside of Nashville
EVENT DATE: October 20, 2008 – May 29, 2009
EVENT TIMES: During School hours
EVENT LOCATION: Your School Auditorium, Theatre or Gymnasium
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 4 – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

SIR ISAAC NEWTON: THE APPLE AND BEYOND

Introduce your students to the life and science of history's greatest scientist, Sir Isaac Newton. This fast paced, interactive, educational theatre program debunks the old "apple on the head" story, while highlighting Newton's monumental discoveries in gravity, motion, and light.

CONTACT: Neil Spencer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$400.00 per performance (includes three presentations\$50 for each additional presentation)
Audience size limited to 150 maximum. Additional Travel Fee for outside of Nashville
EVENT DATE: October 20, 2008 – May 29, 2009
EVENT TIMES: During School hours
EVENT LOCATION: Your School Auditorium, Theatre or Gymnasium
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 5 – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 55 minutes

MARTHA HANNAH
MEDIEVAL COMEDIENNE & STAND-UP HISTORIAN

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ARTIST INFORMATION

Nationally acclaimed comedic character actor, author, speaker, educator and arts-in-education advocate Martha Hannah has story performance and joke telling in her blood. Gracious and charming, Martha brings her wry sense of humor and special brand of wit to conversations, her writing and on stage. For almost twenty years, as a touring performance artist, Martha has worked with many state and regional arts organizations performing and teaching action-packed, multi-media oriented and participation-based learning, theatre, workshops and motivational and creativity seminars. Martha is a performing and teaching artist on the Tennessee Arts Commission's Arts in Education Roster.

EVENT INFORMATION

MEDIEVAL COMEDIENNE & STAND-UP HISTORIAN

With Irish drum, Cockney accent and period costume, Martha Hannah, Medieval Comedienne and Stand-up Historian performs as the rollicking Maid Martha and makes the Middle Ages and Renaissance come alive! In this unique and entertaining one-woman show, nationally acclaimed comedic actor, Martha Hannah shares her quick wit and charm, bringing you Medieval jokes, comedy, ghost stories, history, songs, hilarious audience participation and, for the upper grades, a bit of 'Shakespeare Rap.'

CONTACT:

Martha Hannah

STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE:

\$1,500 per school/3 shows per day in one location (block booking discounts available)

EVENT DATE:

October 2008 – May 2009

EVENT TIMES:

During School Hours

EVENT LOCATION:

Your school auditorium, gymnasium, or other mutually agreeable location

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS:

Grade 4 – Grade 12

LENGTH OF PROGRAM:

1 hour (can be shortened as needed)

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ARTIST INFORMATION

Celebrating its 77th season, Nashville Children's Theatre is an ensemble of professional artists who bring unique vision and compelling voice to the creation of meaningful theatre for Nashville and Middle Tennessee audiences. They strive to make the imaginative celebration of our hopes, struggles, and joys, a vital part of the shared experience for young people, families and our community. NCT has been ranked as one of the top five children's theatres in the US by TIME Magazine.

EVENT INFORMATION

FRANKENSTEIN

A crack of thunder, a flash of lightning. Born in the mind of Mary Shelley and nurtured in the dark corners of our own deepest dread lurks an unholy abomination – pieced together from the bodies of the dead and forged in the fires of obsession. Alienated, rejected, spurned by his own creator and tormented by the world of men, what can it become but a predator, a walking terror . . . the monster? NCT's thrilling stage production of the most popular ghost story of all time is an entertaining thrill ride that will startle you with theatrical effects, move you with surprising humanity, and scare you – really scare you – when you least expect it! Adapted by Nick DiMartino from the novel by Mary Shelley.

CONTACT: Lorna Turner
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$7.00 per student
EVENT DATE: October 10 – November 1, 2008
Sign Interpreted Date: October 21, 2008 at 10:00 am
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am.
EVENT LOCATION: Hill Theatre, Nashville Children's Theatre
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 6 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes (approximately)

CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Grab your Golden Ticket! World-famous candy-maker Willy Wonka is opening the gates to his magical Chocolate Factory for the first time in years! Everything changes for humble Charlie Bucket the day he finds the last Golden Ticket in a Whipple Scrumptious Nutt-a-riffic Totally Twisted Combo bar and gains full access to an absurd land of fantastic marvels. This new stage version of Roald Dahl's deliciously twisted tale combines live action, stage wizardry, puppetry, hilarity, and Oompa Loompas to create a rich, chocolate confection for kids of all ages . . . and for Charlie Bucket, the adventure of a lifetime! Adapted from the book by Roald Dahl.

CONTACT: Lorna Turner
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$7.00 per student
EVENT DATE: November 18, 2008 – January 20, 2009
Sign Interpreted Date: January 6, 2009 at 10:00 am
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am and 11:45 am
EVENT LOCATION: Hill Theatre, Nashville Children's Theatre
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 4
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 75 minutes (approximately)

THE GIVER

"Jonas. You will be trained to be our next Receiver of Memory. Thank you for your childhood." At the Ceremony of Twelve, a ritual wherein twelve-year-olds are given their Life Assignments, the Chief Elder charges Jonas with the loneliest and most crucial function in his safe, comfortable, perfect Community. He will study at the feet of the mysterious Giver, who will pass on the Jonas – and Jones alone – the echoes of world long past. Only Jonas will learn about color, snow, and sunshine. He alone will know pain, heartbreak, and love, and he alone will stand up to the shocking truth of the Community. Adapted by Eric Coble from the Newberry Award winning novel by Lois Lowry.

CONTACT: Lorna Turner
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$7.00 per student
EVENT DATE: February 6 – 21, 2009
Sign Interpreted Date: February 10, 2009 at 10:00 am
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am and 11:45 am
EVENT LOCATION: Hill Theatre, Nashville Children's Theatre
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 5 – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 75 minutes (approximately)

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EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE

Lilly is a mouse who knows what she likes. She likes that she is "Queen of the World," and she like the way her red cowboy boots go clickety-click down the hallway. She doesn't like her snooty Cousin Garland, but she loves, loves, LOVES the Purple Plastic Purse her grandmother bought her, and she loves, loves, LOVES the music that plays whenever she opens it. She also loves her teacher, Mr. Slinger, until he takes her purple purse away from her in class. She like the mean, funny drawing of Big, Fat Mr. Stealing Slinger that she leaves in his book bag – but then she doesn't like herself very much. As for you, if you love to laugh, you are going to love, love, LOVE Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse! Adapted by Kevin Kling from the book by Kevin Henkes.

CONTACT: Lorna Turner
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$7.00 per student
EVENT DATE: March 10 – April 9, 2009
Sign Interpreted Date: March 31, 2009 at 10:00 am
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am and 11:45 am
EVENT LOCATION: Hill Theatre, Nashville Children's Theatre
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 4
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 75 minutes (approximately)

STILL LIFE WITH IRIS

As you sleep, the citizens of the Land of Nocturno busily prepare for the next day. Iris, Finder of Lost Things, lives in this land among the Flower Painters, Bug Sculptors, Thunder Bottlers, and Leaf Monitors until one day she is whisked away by the enigmatic Mr. Matternot against her will to the Island of the Greatest Goods. She is placed in their collection of the "Best of the Best Things," and so that she will not be sad, all of her memories are taken from her except one. Compelled by that lone memory – a still life of a table, vase, iris and three chairs – this determined Finder of Lost Things will find herself, her father and her way home. Like the play's heroine, you will never forget the simple beauty of Still Life with Iris. Written by Steven Dietz.

CONTACT: Lorna Turner
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$7.00 per student
EVENT DATE: April 28 – May 17, 2009
Sign Interpreted Date: May 5, 2009 at 10:00 am
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am and 11:45 am
EVENT LOCATION: Hill Theatre, Nashville Children's Theatre
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 1 – Grade 6
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 75 minutes (approximately)

NASHVILLE SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

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ARTIST INFORMATION

The Nashville Shakespeare Festival has been bringing low-cost, professional productions and workshops to schools throughout Middle Tennessee since 1992.

EVENT INFORMATION

RICHARD III

In January 2009, the Nashville Shakespeare Festival will produce its second-annual winter season with a production of Richard III at the Bill & Carol Troutt Theatre on the campus of Belmont University. Richard III will provide highly affordable, fully-professional theatre and educational enrichment to students and the general public of Middle Tennessee. This dynamic production will give adults and students alike the opportunity to explore Shakespeare's timeless text through professional theatre brought to life by some of Tennessee's most talented actors.

CONTACT: Claire Syler, Education & Outreach Coordinator
EVENT DATES: January 16, 2009 at 10:00am
January 20-23, 2009 at 10:00am
January 27-30, 2009 at 10:00 am
PRICE/FEE: \$8 School Group Rate
\$20 Adult General Admission, \$16 Seniors, \$10 Students
EVENT LOCATION: Troutt Theatre on the campus of Belmont University
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 6 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90-120 minutes

SHAKESPEARE IN ACTION

Shakespeare in Action offers year-round interactive workshops, designed to extend students' knowledge of Shakespeare while professional theater artists guide the experience.

Playing Shakespeare: Students embody the language, characters, and scenes of Shakespeare in an interactive performance workshop. This hour-long workshop involves full participation for students, as a teaching artist leads explorations in Shakespearean verse, staging, and character study.

Directing Workshop: Students direct professional actors in short Shakespearean scenes discovering multiple interpretations, while a teaching artist facilitates class discussion. This hour-long workshop develops students' communication skills and problem-solving abilities.

CONTACT: Claire Syler, Education & Outreach Coordinator
PRICE/FEE: Playing Shakespeare – \$100.00 for up to 30 students, matching funds available
Directing Workshops – \$200.00 for up to 30 students, matching funds available
EVENT TIMES: During school hours
EVENT LOCATION: Your School Auditorium or Gymnasium
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 45-75 minutes according to your school schedule

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ARTIST INFORMATION

The Renaissance Center offers a variety of educational, fun and entertaining field trip activities during the Spring semester. Art and music activities, as well as live theatre, science theatre and planetarium and laser music shows in the CyberSphere are available to schools and other programs and groups 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. To schedule a field trip during those hours, call Laura Jackson at (615) 740-5533. Groups wanting to schedule field trip activities outside of those hours or on weekends should contact LeAnn Polk, director of events, at (615) 740-5503. Field trips at The Renaissance Center are unique, hands-on and curriculum-specific experiences. All field trip activities are offered for affordable prices and lunch is available through the Faraday Café. A minimum of 25 students is required to schedule a CyberSphere, Faraday Science Theatre or live theatre production that is not already booked. Smaller groups must combine with a field trip already on the schedule. Additional adults accompanying teachers and special education aides will be charged public show prices. With a one-month notice, the Art and Music departments can develop field trip activities specific to any course of study.

EVENT INFORMATION

LIVE THEATRE

The Mind Enriching Theatre (MET) series consists of professionally produced plays aimed at enhancing the educator's curriculum. Plays range from familiar favorites to classic stories and are coordinated with art and music workshops offered at the center. The MET series includes age-appropriate productions specifically tailored for school students. Each play is offered with a study guide for teachers, which is downloadable from our website. Performances can accommodate up to 450 students.

SEUSSICAL

"After all these years being stuck on a page, did you ever imagine you'd see me onstage? Now I'm here, there is no telling what may ensue! No, there is no telling, but I'll give you a clue . . ." So says the mischievous Cat in the Hat at the onset of this fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza! All of Dr. Seuss' characters are lovingly brought to life, including Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, Lazy Mayzie and all the Whos of Whoville. These classic, colorful tales are seamlessly brought together by JoJo, a young boy and "thinker of strange and wonderful things!" As each story unfolds you will marvel at how relevant and profound Seuss' subtle themes are, making this musical one that appeals to all ages. So let your toes tap, your fingers snap, and your imagination run wild. "Oh, the things you can think!" Music by Stephen Flaherty; Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens; book by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty; based on the works of Dr. Seuss.

CONTACT: 740-5533
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$4.00 per student
EVENT DATE: September 30 – December 18, 2008
EVENT TIMES: Tuesdays; Schools pick day and time during the run of the show
EVENT LOCATION: Renaissance Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 1 – Grade 6
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

NASHVILLE BALLET PRESENTS CARNIVAL OF ANIMALS

In Carnival of the Animals, the Lion, King of Beasts, cannot understand why everyone isn't exactly like him. If he's the King, he must be the best, so of course all the other animals should change. A wise and patient Bird teaches the arrogant Lion to appreciate the beauty in each animal's unique qualities. Follow the Lion as he journeys through this wild jungle full of whimsical characters. It's a joyous celebration when the Lion learns that we are basically all the same on the inside, but it's our differences that make life interesting.

CONTACT: 740-5533
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$4.00 per student
EVENT DATE: November 7, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Renaissance Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 4
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

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EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

FARADAY SCIENCE THEATRE

The Faraday Science Theatre offers interactive programs that bring science to life in a fun and hands-on presentation. Set in the center's new science theatre, shows highlight simple scientific principles and applications through interactive experiments.

Meet the Scientist (Grades K-2)

Students will answer the basic questions about what a scientist is. What does a scientist look like? Where does a scientist work? What does a scientist do? Who are some famous scientists? Students will test their senses, perform an experiment and learn the necessary safety precautions taken by a scientist.

The Components of a Flame (Grades 4-6)

Through hands-on activity, students will learn the three components of a flame (oxygen, fuel and heat), discuss how to extinguish a flame, compare different kinds of fuel and learn how to separate a flame. The childhood, youth and education of Michael Faraday, the 1800s scientist for whom the theatre is named, also will be discussed.

Science Around the House (Grades 4-6)

Students will create a definition of science and learn how common objects and materials from around their own homes can be used to demonstrate scientific terms and principles such as inertia, air pressure, refraction, etc.

Sounds Like Science (Grades K-6)

Students will discuss sound, sound waves, frequency, pitch and resonance. Volunteers from the audience will participate in using coils, Slinkies, a tuning fork, a singing pipe, a flame tube and an oversized model of the human ear. If time allows, chosen students will play a song or two using Boom Whackers. If any teachers are willing, they can inhale some helium from a balloon and sing along! Their vocal cords will be demonstrating all the topics covered in the 45-minute show! The show can be adjusted to make it age/grade appropriate.

New Shows: Call (615) 740-5533 or visit www.rcenter.org for information about new Faraday Science Theatre shows that might be available.

<u>CONTACT:</u>	740-5533
<u>STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE:</u>	\$4.00 per student – Limit 30 students per workshop
<u>EVENT DATE:</u>	Call the Renaissance Center for dates
<u>EVENT TIMES:</u>	9:30 am & 11:30 am
<u>EVENT LOCATION:</u>	Renaissance Center
<u>APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS:</u>	See program listing for grade level appropriateness.
<u>LENGTH OF PROGRAM:</u>	90 minutes

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EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

CYBERSPHERE DIGITAL THEATER (\$4 per student)

The CyberSphere Digital Theater is a unique educational and entertainment venue with programs appropriate for all ages. Planetarium and laser music shows are presented in a state-of-the-art four-story, domed, interactive theater with a 14,000-watt digital SurroundSound system. The CyberSphere can accommodate up to 138 viewers and shows can be scheduled for groups of 25 or more on weekdays. **For a list of available shows, call 615- 740-5533 or visit www.rcenter.org for information.**

CONTACT: 740-5533
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$4.00 per student
EVENT DATE: Monday – Friday. Call the Renaissance Center for dates
EVENT TIMES: Call the Renaissance Center for times
EVENT LOCATION: Renaissance Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Call the Renaissance Center for grade appropriateness.
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

For More Information about activities available at The Renaissance Center, visit www.rcenter.org or call 615-740-5533.

ROXY REGIONAL THEATRE

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www.roxyregionaltheatre.org

email: roxytheatre@bellsouth.net

ARTIST INFORMATION

From its inaugural production of *Mack and Mabel* in 1983, to the world premiere of *Bessie: The Life and Music of Bessie Smith* in 2006, the Roxy Regional Theatre has consistently advanced the art of theatre. Over the years, the Roxy has produced world and American premieres, workshops of new plays, as well as classics, dramas, and musicals. Under the leadership of Tom Thayer, Managing Director, and John McDonald, Artistic Director, the Roxy strives to bring the best resources to this region. We are committed to extending theatre to an audience that reflects our community with plays for both adults and youth. The Roxy Regional Theatre Curriculum Series is designed to enhance English, History and Drama Programs.

EVENT INFORMATION

THE ROBBER BRIDEGROOM

One of the only genuine bluegrass scores ever heard in a Broadway musical, this unusual tale of the Natchez Trace has a distinctive sound all its own. *The Robber Bridegroom* is the story of the courting of Rosamund, the only daughter of the richest planter in the country, by Jamie Lockhart, a rascally robber of the woods. The proceedings go awry, thanks to an unconventional case of double-mistaken identity. Throw in an evil stepmother intent on Rosamund's demise, her pea-brained henchman and a hostile talking head-in-a-trunk, and you have the recipe for a rollicking country romp. Book and Lyrics by Alfred Uhry; Music by Robert Waldman; Adapted from the novella by Eudora Welty.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: September 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, 2008
October 1, 6, 7, 8, 2008

EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student

REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 7 – Grade 12

LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

THE LION, THE WITCH, AND THE WARDROBE

The heroic tale of love, faith, courage and giving: the life and death struggle for control of Narnia and the grandeur of the triumph of good over evil has enthralled audiences of all ages. This innovative treatment features two actors and is available for touring to all groups. From the story by C.S. Lewis; Dramatized by le Clanche de Rand.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: September 25, 26, 2008
October 2, 3, 9, 10, 2008

EVENT TIMES: 9:15 am and 11:30 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student.

REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 2 and up

LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 40 minutes

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EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

ARTHUR MILLER'S THE CRUCIBLE

In 1692, in a small American town, a group of mischievous girls are caught dancing in the woods, while conjuring spirits. To escape punishment they accuse others of witchcraft. Husbands, wives, sons, daughters, neighbors and friends are forced to sentence the accused or risk being accused themselves. This magnificent work continues to resonate and is as relevant today as when it was first produced. A compelling drama of paranoia and superstition.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: October 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 2008
November 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student
REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 10 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 2 hours

CHARLES DICKENS' A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Adapted for the stage by Artistic Director John McDonald, this rollicking holiday morsel will sweeten your taste buds and warm even the hardest of hearts. Ebenezer Scrooge meets the spirits of Christmas while rediscovering its true meaning.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: November 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 2008
December 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 9:15 am and 11:30 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student
REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 2 - Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

PINOCCHIO

Geppetto carves a puppet named Pinocchio! However, he must earn the right to be a real boy by proving that he is brave, truthful, and unselfish. Joining the Cat and the Fox on a hilarious journey, learning life lessons along the way, he risks his own life to save Geppetto, who has been swallowed by a whale! Adapted by John McDonald from the story by Carlo Collodi

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: January 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 2008
February 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 9:15 am and 11:30 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student
REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 4
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 55 minutes

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EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

ALTAR BOYZ

ALTAR BOYZ is a foot-stomping, rafter-raising, musical comedy about a fictitious Christian boy-band on the last night of their national "Raise the Praise" tour. The Boyz are five all-singing, all-dancing heartthrobs from Ohio: Matthew, Mark, Luke, Juan and Abraham. As they perform their signature hits such as "Rhythm In Me," "The Calling," and "I Believe," the Boyz question their loyalty to each other and ask whether or not faith is really holding them together. They finally deliver a message of unity, that "there is no star as bright as its constellation, no harmony in a single voice." Book by Kevin Del Aguila; Music and Lyrics by Gary Adler and Michael Patrick Walker.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: February 17, 18, 19, 20, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student.

REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Music and Theatre Classes
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S MACBETH

An anatomy of the relationship between ambition and corruption, Macbeth is one of Shakespeare's most bloody and fear-filled tragedies. Often regarded as archetypal, the play tells of the dangers of the lust for power and the betrayal of friends. Based loosely on the historical account of King Macbeth of Scotland many superstitions are centered on the belief the play is "cursed", referring to it instead as "The Scottish play".

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: March 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 9:00 am and 11:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student

REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 9 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 2 hours

ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT *World Premiere*

A young soldier faces profound disillusionment in the soul-destroying horror of World War I. First published in German in 1929, it sold 2.5 million copies in twenty-five languages in its first eighteen months in print. In 1930 the book was turned into an Oscar-winning movie of the same name. Now in these uncertain times of war *All Quiet on the Western Front* will speak to a new generation from the stage. Adapted for the stage by John McDonald from the novel by Erich Maria Remarque.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: March 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 9:00 am and 11:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student.

REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 9 - Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

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CATS

Based on the universally popular poetry of T.S. Eliot, *CATS* tells the story, in song and dance, of the annual gathering of Jellicle cats at which time one special cat is selected to ascend to the Heaviside layer. A true musical theatre phenomenon, featuring the classic "Memory" *CATS* opened in London on May 11, 1981 and ran for a record-setting 21 years and was nearly matched on Broadway where it ran for just over 18 years. Based on *Old Possum's Book Of Practical Cats* By T. S. Eliot; Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: April 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student.

REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 12

LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 2 hours

HONK!

A Musical based on *The Ugly Duckling*

Honk! is the story of Ugly, whose odd, gawky looks instantly incite prejudice from his family and neighbors. Separated from the farm and pursued by a hungry Cat, Ugly must find his way home. Along his rollicking and harrowing journey he not only discovers his true beauty and glorious destiny, but also finds love and acceptance in all its forms. Witty and hilarious, but also deeply moving, *Honk's* charm, humor and message of tolerance is perfect for a family audience . . . and every audience.

CONTACT: Tom Thayer
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$5.00 per student
EVENT DATE: May 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 9:15 am and 11:30 am
EVENT LOCATION: Roxy Regional Theatre

NOTE: This production can travel to your school for a fee of \$6.00 per student.

REQUIREMENT: A minimum of 300 students per performance, plus a working stage, lighting, and sound system is required.

APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 5

LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

SOUTH JACKSON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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ARTIST INFORMATION

South Jackson Civic Center has operated for the more than twenty-five years as a presenting organization, museum, and community resource serving the Middle Tennessee counties of Coffee, Moore, Franklin, Bedford, and Warren.

EVENT INFORMATION

THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

Washington Irving's autumnal masterpiece tells of the new schoolmaster, Ichabod Crane, his sweetheart Katrina, and the devilishly handsome Brom Bones. Written by award-winning Ohio playwright Kathryn Schultz Miller, this clever adaptation is loaded with hearty audience participation, is more funny than scary, and comes complete with a Headless Horseman!

CONTACT: Ticket Office
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.50 per student ticket
EVENT DATE: September 26, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 8:30 am, 10:00 am, and 12:30 am
EVENT LOCATION: South Jackson Civic Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 50 minutes (approximately)

THE NUTCRACKER FANTASY

The Nutcracker Ballet is based on the story of 'The Nutcracker and the King of Mice' written by E.T.A. Hoffman. Although what is seen on the stage today is different in detail from the original story, the basic plot remains the same; the story of a young German girl who dreams of a Nutcracker Prince and a fierce battle against a Mouse King with seven heads. Join us for the beautiful story of Clara and her Nutcracker Prince and her dreams of faraway places and beautiful presents. See the Snow Queen and the Sugarplum Fairy as they dance their way into your hearts.

CONTACT: Ticket Office
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.50 per student ticket
EVENT DATE: December 12, 2008
EVENT TIMES: 9:00 am, and 11:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: South Jackson Civic Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 50 minutes (approximately)

MADELINE AND THE BAD HAT

ArtsPower's Madeline and the Bad Hat, an original musical based upon the much-loved book, captures the blithe yet touching spirit of Ludwig Bemelmans's Madeline series. It traces the adventures of a young Parisian girl who – despite starting off on the wrong foot with a mischievous new neighbor – eventually learns that first impressions aren't everything. This gently amusing tale of enemies-become-friends will charm and entertain children and parents alike.

CONTACT: Ticket Office
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.50 per student ticket
EVENT DATE: May 1, 2009
EVENT LOCATION: South Jackson Civic Center
EVENT TIMES: 8:30 am, 10:00 am, and 12:30 am
EVENT LOCATION: South Jackson Civic Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 3
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 50 minutes (approximately)

TENNESSEE THEATER COMPANY

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ARTIST INFORMATION

Tennessee Theater Company has been serving the Middle Tennessee community with artistic integrity for more than eight years through imaginative theater and media that promotes, develops and supports artists, students and cultures of the region.

EVENT INFORMATION

PINOCCHIO

Pinocchio is multi-grade in-school theatrical production for elementary students. This play of interaction between actors and students complements English/Language Arts, Creative Arts, Theatre Arts, Fine Arts, and Head Start curriculum standards. A study guide on Carlo Collodi, the author of Pinocchio, along with student learning activity sheets is provided to teachers. The play is approximately 50 minutes. The live production is full of wit, humor and moral insight with a cast of characters consisting of mischievous Pinocchio, active Mr. Cricket, kindly Geppetto, a Fire Eater, sneaky Mr. Fox, confused Mr. Cat, Dr. Owl and the magical Blue Fairy.

CONTACT: Linda Thornton
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student (225 student minimum); or \$1500.00 per performance (unlimited students) with \$500 additional for second show on same day back/back.
Fuel/Transportation fee added for counties outside 60 miles from downtown Nashville

EVENT DATE: April 1 2009 – May 31, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 8:30 am to 2:30 pm or During School Hours
EVENT LOCATION: Your School Auditorium, Theatre or Gymnasium
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 5
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 50 minutes (approximately)

STORIES FROM POE

“Stories from Poe” film screening is appropriate for middle and high school students. The project was filmed in Tennessee. It is a dramatization of some of the most well-known works by Edgar Allan Poe, the master of suspense and horror. The production brings to life “The Tell-Tale Heart”, “The Cask of Amontillado”, “The Premature Burial” and “The Raven”. Between stories in the film, Poe talks about his personal life and dreams; and the influence these had on his writing. The 90-minute presentation will be followed by a question and answer session with the director and producer on the life and works of Edgar Allan Poe, as well as, the filmmaking process.

CONTACT: Linda Thornton
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student (70 student minimum)
EVENT DATE: October 15, 2008 – May 31, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Belcourt Theatre in Nashville
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 7 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

BELL WITCH STORY

“Bell Witch Story” film screening is appropriate for middle and high school students. The project was filmed in Middle Tennessee. It is a dramatization based on the famous events that happened to the John Bell family in Adams, Tennessee between 1817 and 1821. The legend is part of Tennessee history and studied in local history and literature classes. The 90-minute presentation will be followed by a question and answer session with director and producer on this fascinating story, as well as, the filmmaking process.

CONTACT: Linda Thornton
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$6.00 per student (70 student minimum)
EVENT DATE: October 15, 2008 – May 31, 2009
EVENT TIMES: 10:00 am
EVENT LOCATION: Belcourt Theatre in Nashville
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 7 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 90 minutes

WOOD & STRINGS PUPPET THEATRE

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ARTIST INFORMATION

Under the direction of Clarissa Lega, producer and Leon Fuller, director, this professional touring company is involved in all aspects of production. Collaborating with four highly trained puppeteers and many other talented artists, they create works of puppetry for performance. Their attention to detail from story line through puppet and set construction and on to original music and choreography, becomes a complete interplay of the arts in the final works.

EVENT INFORMATION

ANANSE! EARLY IN THE DAY

Traditional characters inspired from West African folklore and art, witness the beginning of time, when animals, people and life are new. Comical adventures, unusual sights, and rhythmical music transport audiences to another time and a different world. A lively demonstration will follow describing the various styles of puppetry presented and the cultural influences applied to the production.

CONTACT: Clarissa Lega
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$1,600 per school – 2 schools daily
EVENT DATE: September 2008 – May 2009
EVENT TIMES: During school hours
EVENT LOCATION: Your School Auditorium or Gymnasium
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 1 hour

OUT OF THE MIST . . . A DRAGON

Using elegant reproductions of the classic Bunraku puppets of Japan, a romantic drama unfolds reaching into the world of myth and legend to portray a young man's journey of self-discovery. His encounters with traditional folk puppets from North America, England and Indonesia give exotic glimpses of puppetry styles rarely seen in this country. An entertaining, post-show demonstration examines the various styles of puppetry and their respective cultural influences.

CONTACT: Clarissa Lega
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$1,600 per school – 2 schools daily
EVENT DATE: September 2008 – May 2009
EVENT TIMES: During school hours
EVENT LOCATION: Your School Auditorium or Gymnasium
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 2 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 50 minutes

AN IRE-ISH TALE

In wild romp and stomp during an elfin visit, two silly people show how three wishes in the wrong hands can create hilarious havoc. They learn lessons about greed they shall not forget. This wonderfully slapstick production is performed by outlandish larger-than-life body puppets and elaborate rod style elves who cast a spell of brownie magic only found on the Emerald Isles.

CONTACT: Clarissa Lega
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$1,600 per school – 2 schools daily
EVENT DATE: September 2008 – May 2009
EVENT TIMES: During school hours
EVENT LOCATION: Your School Auditorium or Gymnasium
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 50 minutes