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Education Through the Arts

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Artists in the Schools Classroom to Stage and Back Again! Artist / educators bring learning to life.

A baby bat falls from its nest to be raised as a bird...and you're seven years old and *Stellaluna* is the very first theatrical tale you've ever experienced! You travel along as the tale is revealed to you on stage... learning about the environment and how we're all connected. Then, back in your classroom, you work hand-in-hand with an accomplished artist (who just happens to have been featured on the public television program *Don't Throw That Away*). You have a great time creating art using recycled materials...learning about the environment and how human responsibility can help plants and animals to thrive. Now, that's a powerful lesson plan—shared this year with more than 100 students!

Our Artists in the Schools program places artists into classrooms for a series of three visits where students learn about the arts and where the arts are also used to teach lessons in other core subjects. The programs are standards-based, designed for a variety of grade levels, and are always connected to one of the Center's school shows. The result is powerful, in-depth, dynamic learning that's also having a lot of fun!

The Artists in the Schools program will feature five new projects in 2010-2011. Look for our Education brochure arriving in August for details and to sign up.



Look
inside
for School Show
sneak preview!





Professional Development

Arts Integration...All the Buzz!

You've probably noticed that the term "arts integration" is the buzz in education today. It's rather ironic (isn't it?) as this outstanding method of teaching gathers steam, many schools statewide are cutting their arts and music programs! Yet, even in the midst of this discouraging climate—we are truly amazed, pretty much every day, by the commitment of our local teachers!

During this school year, more teachers than ever attended arts integration workshops presented through our Professional Development program. By combining lessons in science and movement, for instance, or language arts and tableau, teachers gained dynamic new methods for teaching all curriculum. Students love it when the arts are used for teaching, no doubt because it's fun. And teachers report that arts integration works...especially for students who might otherwise slip through the cracks, such as ELD and ESL students. Each workshop presented this year also included an opportunity for classroom modeling, which "really illuminated the power of the work among students," says the Center's arts and outreach manager Tracy Sawyer. "It's great to see that children respond willingly and quickly to different kinetic strategies and it's eye-opening for teachers to see how the strategies work," says Sawyer.



Summer Intensive July 19-21, 2010

This summer we're offering a three-day intensive course in arts integration (please don't let the word "intensive" dissuade you!). "Yes," this course includes a large amount of content. But, it is also a lot of fun—as a group of local teachers learned in a similar program presented last summer! The course is taught by Sean Layne, who trained at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and is one of the most accomplished and sought-after teaching artists nationwide.

For more information, please check our website under "Education" or call Tracy Sawyer at 707.527.7006 ext.154.





Music For Schools

Thank you music teachers! Together we were able to place more than 220 instruments into the hands of students in 31 schools this year! That means that students who otherwise wouldn't have had the opportunity to learn to play music are now well on their way.



Instrument Return

It's time to get those instruments back into our hands, so we can clean them, repair them as needed, and have them ready for a new crop of budding young musicians next school year.

Return Dates:

- Wednesday, June 2 from 10am – 3pm
- Tuesday, June 8 from noon – 3pm
- Wednesday, June 9 from 3pm – 5pm

Please bring instruments to the Music For Schools closet (this is not the same place where you picked them up). Please call Tracy Sawyer at 707.527.7006 ext. 154 for directions.

Teachers please note:

The Education office is now located upstairs in the administration offices at Wells Fargo Center for the Arts.

Instruments Available

The Music For Schools instrument lending library has hundreds of instruments and resource items ranging from flutes and clarinets to violins, guitars, trumpets, drums, and much more. These instruments are loaned free-of-charge to qualifying students for the entire school year. Teachers, please keep the Music For Schools program in mind as a resource for your students. Call Tracy Sawyer at 707.527.7006 ext. 154 or email tracys@wellsfargocenterarts.org for more information.

New Song Music Camp

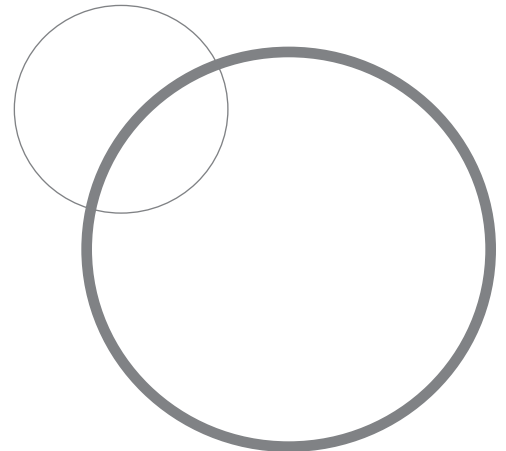
Monday, July 12, 2010 – Friday, July 16, 2010 • Daily, 9am – 3pm

For children ages 7-10 years

Maximum number of participants: 27

A huge success in its inaugural year, this fun and educational summer day camp returns as an annual tradition. Working hand-in-hand with two professional musician/educators, children will sing, play, make an instrument, and record their very own CD of original music! Cost is \$230 for the entire week. **Space is limited.**

To register or for more information about the camp, please call Tracy Sawyer at 707.527.7006 ext. 154





Grades
K-4

Tomie dePaola's Stega Nona: The Musical

**by Maximum Entertainment
Thursday, December 9, 2010**

You can't judge a pot by its pasta... as Stega Nona will show you in this fantastical musical tale about a friendly witch—with a funny name—who strives to cure the ills of her tiny Italian town.

Grades
K-12

**Posada Navideña
by Instituto Mazatlán Bellas
Artes de Sacramento
Friday, December 10, 2010**

Featuring traditional Mexican folkloric dances and music, this performance celebrates the wonderful folk culture of Mexico during the Christmas season.



Grades
K-12

**The Peking Acrobats®
Friday, January 14, 2011**

China's finest gymnasts, jugglers, cyclists, and tumblers transform 2000-year-old athletic disciplines into a kaleidoscope of entertainment and wonder.

Grades
5-8

**The Giver
by American Place Theater
Thursday, January 27, 2011**

In a dystopian world where all is the same, 12-year-old Jonas is selected to receive the memories of a far different life. This two-person adaptation uses verbatim portions from Lois Lowry's acclaimed novel.



Grades
K-12

**ScrapArtsMusic
Wednesday, February 16, 2011**

This intoxicating mix of music, movement, and spectacle will ignite your senses! ScrapArtsMusic is intricate rhythms, raw energy, athletic choreography, and the hottest—and most inventive—reuse of materials on stage today.

Grades
K-6

**Let Freedom Ring
by the Pushcart Players
Monday, February 14, 2011**

Celebrate the energy, determination, and courage of those who helped shape our history in this spirited musical revue of our nation's birth and significant moments in history.



Grades
K-12

**An Irish Hooley
Wednesday, March 16, 2011**

Straight from Emerald Isle comes the music, song, dance, and irresistible merriment of Irish culture! This performance features fiddles, uilleann pipes, whistles, flutes, the Irish harp, bodhráns, storytelling, singing, and the brilliance of Irish dance.



Grades
2-6

**Anne of Green Gables
by ArtsPower
Thursday, March 3, 2011**

Based on Lucy Maud Montgomery's beloved novel, this performance brings to life the classic tale of a young orphan girl whose dauntless spirit transforms her adoptive family.



Grades
K-2

Madeline and the Bad Hat
by ArtsPower

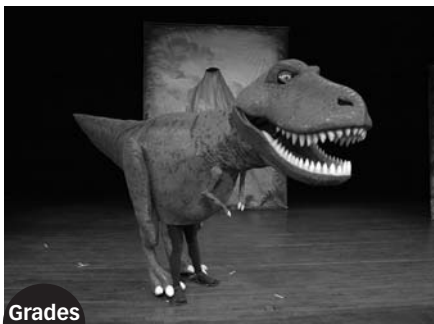
Tuesday, March 8, 2011

This original musical based on the much-loved children's book captures the carefree yet touching spirit of Ludwig Bemelman's Madeline series.

Grades
9-12

Remember Me
by Parsons Dance Company and
East Village Opera Company
Thursday, March 10, 2011

This original love story features Opera's greatest hits combined with the power of rock music and the thrill of modern dance! The athleticism of the Parsons Dance Project paired with the exhilarating live vocals of East Village Opera Company makes this a uniquely exciting show not to be missed!



Grades
K-4

Mammoth Follies
by Hudson Vagabond Puppets
Friday, March 25, 2011

Enormous dinosaur puppets populate the stage as we explore the wonders of evolution in this old-fashioned revue of original songs, witty jokes, and earth-smashing dances.

School Shows

Grades
PK-2

**Leo Lionni's Swimmy,
Frederick, and Inch by Inch**
by Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia
Thursday, April 14, 2011

Back by popular demand, three of Leo Lionni's most beloved works come to life with endearing puppetry and artful narration.



Grades
2-8

The Mystery of King Tut
by TheatreworksUSA
Tuesday, April 12, 2011

This exciting musical tells the story of Tutankhamen, Egypt's infamous "boy king," and Howard Carter, the archeologist who discovered his tomb in 1922. A charming tale of two men who, while from different worlds, both placed their marks on history.



Grades
1-6

Wizard of Oz
by American Family Theater
Friday, April 15, 2011

Explore the enchanting land over the rainbow where dreams really do come true! Based on the classic 1900 children's novel *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum.



Grades
PK-2

Dan Zanes and Friends
Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Join this Grammy Award-winning band and kids' favorite for a concert of irresistible grooves drawn from a wealth of musical traditions, including exuberant American traditional songs, dance classics, and smart, inventive originals.

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Student Art Exhibit

We love to combine art with other core curriculum! Next time you're at the Center, please take a moment to check out the Student Art Gallery in the hallway outside of the theater balcony. This exhibit displays projects where students learned lessons in both visual art and other subjects, such as math, science, or social studies. So far this year, we've displayed student artwork from five schools, ranging from high school students to kindergarten. Your students' artwork is welcome too! Please contact Tracy Sawyer at 707.527.7006 ext. 154 for more information.



Summer Intensive: Creative Connections Order Form

Monday, July 19 – Wednesday, July 21 • 9 am – 4 pm

For Teachers and Administrators of Grades 2-8 • Maximum number of participants: 40



Name: _____ Grade(s) Taught: _____

School: _____

Billing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (day): _____ Email: _____

Payment: **Per person • \$200.00** (Includes \$50.00 supply fee.)

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Participants, please plan to attend all three days.

Please mail or fax order form to: Education Programs • Wells Fargo Center for the Arts
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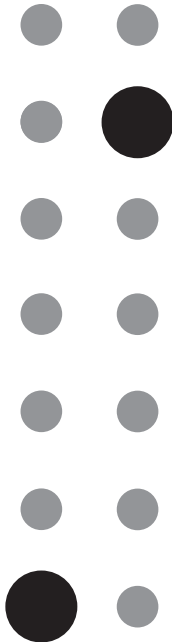
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