

2019 - 2020 STUDENT SPOTLIGHT SEASON OF SHOWS





ETHEL AND ROBERT MIRABAL: THE RIVER SUGAR SKULL! A DIA DE LOS MUERTOS MUSICAL ADVENTURE

ETHEL AND ROBERT MIRABAL: THE RIVER

Music for Grades K - 6 Friday, September 20, 2019 at 10:00 AM

The River is a journey in instrumental virtuosity, song, and storytelling, inspired by Water as the embodiment of Spirit and essential to life on Earth. Audiences are immersed in a flow of music, narrative, and ritual that evokes timeless Native American traditions through contemporary musical artistry. As delivered by these master performers, the effect is breathtaking, even ecstatic. From "An Kha Na" to "Peace Calls," through rushing rapids and still, sacred spaces, ETHEL and Robert Mirabal evoke the magic and majesty of The River which connects us all. Influences were drawn from Hawai'i, Arizona, Mexico, Ecuador, Morocco, Nigeria, India, Mongolia, Tibet, Japan, and the Republic of Georgia. In concert, the experience is dazzling and the spirit full of generosity, love, and gratitude as we find our hearts healed, and our hopes raised, by The River.

Curriculum connections: Music, Native American Culture, International Cultures, Conservation, Values-Based, History.



JUDY MOODY & STINK BILL BLAGG'S THE SCIENCE OF MAGIC



RAINBOW FISH

SUGAR SKULL! A DIA DE LOS MUERTOS MUSICAL ADVENTURE

Musical for Grades K – 6 Thursday, October 3 at 10:00 AM and 12:15 PM

Young Vita thinks her family has gone loco planning a celebration for deceased loved ones. Why throw a party for the dead? But when a candy skeleton in her abuelita's cemetery suddenly springs to life, Vita finds herself on a magical, musical journey to unravel the true meaning of Día de los Muertos. Meet Sugar Skull, a charismatic candy skeleton who dreams of riding the exclusive train to Who-Knows-Where. Along with her skeletal new friend, Vita dances with ancient ancestors, sings with a sorrowful sorceress, escapes the trickster Chaneques, and even meets the famous Catrina Calavera. But can this clever youth help him get on the train before it's too late?

Sugar Skull! is a joyous, heartfelt adventure that delves into the rich, tuneful traditions of Día de los Muertos. Featuring a company of gifted musicians and dancers, this colorful stage production is the perfect fall entertainment for youth and family audiences alike.

Curriculum connections: History, Spanish Culture, Art, Musical, Family Relationships, Language/Communication Skills, Literature-Based, Values-Based.



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Single Show Tickets \$6.75 • All performances last approximately 60 minutes • Study Guides are available Please contact the BCPA Ticket Office at 309-434-2769 for all the information on ordering tickets. Please inform the ticket office about students with seating needs for hearing, visual or mobility impairments.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT PAM STARKS IN THE BCPA TICKET OFFICE AT PSTARKS@CITYBLM.ORG

PARKING: Bus drivers will be given parking instructions by BCPA parking attendants when unloading students. Schools and homeschools traveling in passenger vehicles may park in the BCPA lot just north of the theatre across Locust Street. LUNCH SPACE: Teachers can arrange lunch space for their students to eat at the BCPA for a \$25 fee if purchasing single show tickets. Reserve lunch space at the time of your order. The BCPA has limited lunch space filled on a first-come, first-served basis.



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Judy Moody & Stink

JUDY MOODY AND STINK

Musical for Grades K – 5 Monday, February 3 at 10:00 AM and 12:15 PM In this new musical, Judy Moody and her brother Stink take audiences on a hilarious adventure. As usual, Judy is in a mood. After seeing her classmate's picture on the front page of the newspaper, Judy wants to be famous and sets off to find fame and happiness. All the while, Stink and his foul-smell-

ing sneakers become a real distraction as he vies for the coveted Golden Clothespin Award. Judy Moody and Stink are the perfect pair for their imperfect capers that lead to fun, mystery, sibling rivalry, and, in the end, true friendship.

Curriculum connections: Conflict Resolution, Family Relationships, Language/Communication Skills, Literature-Based, Musical, Values-Based



BILL BLAGG'S THE SCIENCE OF MAGIC Science and Magic for Grades K - 6

Mon., Feb. 24 at 10:00 AM

Illusionist Bill Blagg's one-of-a-kind educational experience, The Science of Magic, takes students on a rare, never-before-seen jour-

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ADDITIONAL KIDS SHOWS IN THE BCPA SEASON • ARTSBLOOMING.ORG

Dave Rudolf: Kid's Halloween Show Saturday, October 26, 2019 at 2:30 PM Tickets: \$5

A delightful concert with musician Dave Rudolf. Tons of fun in a not-very scary show! Costumes encouraged, but not required!

Pirate Penelope & Friends: 100 Cats and More! Sunday, November 17, 2019 at 2

Sunday, November 17, 2019 at 2:30 PM Tickets: FREE All new show! Nitsch Theater presents *Frozen, Jr.* Saturday, January 4, 2020 at 6:30 PM Sunday, January 5, 2020 at 2:30 PM Tickets: \$12, General Admission Enjoy the culmination of area Nitsch Theatre Arts Stage Kids participants as they perform *Frozen, Jr.*

Walk On: The Story of Rosa ParksSunday, February 9, 2020 at 2:30 PMTickets: \$10/ Family 4 pack \$30,additional children \$5 each. Show sponsored byThe Pantagraph & SmilePolitely.com

The Magic of Bill Blagg LIVE! Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 2:30 PM Tickets: \$20/ \$15 Family 4 pack at the \$50 level, additional children \$5 each. Family 4 pack at the \$40 level, additional children \$5 each. You'll witness objects float in mid-air, vanish in the blink of an eye and so much more!



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RAINBOW FISH

Musical for Grades Pre-K – 3 Wednesday, March 4 at 10:00 AM and 12:15 PM

The Rainbow Fish tells the story of the most beautiful fish in the sea, whose scales shimmer in all

the colors of the rainbow. He is admired by the entire underwater world, and the other fish dream of owning one of his magnificent shiny scales. Resentment and isolation ensue when he is unwilling to give any of them away, and he becomes the loneliest fish in the ocean. Following the advice of a clever octopus, he gives each fish one of his scales. The more he shares, the happier he becomes.

ney "behind the scenes" of the magic world. Students will use the

Scientific Method to levitate one of their teachers in mid-air and

creates magic right before their very eyes! The Science of Magic

to think "outside the box" and spawn their curiosity about how

Curriculum connections: Science concepts including chemistry

and physics, critical thinking, deductive reasoning.

science and the Scientific Method are used by magicians to create

is designed to excite, educate, intrigue and promote students

even learn how the science of reflection can make their homework magically disappear! Students will watch in amazement as science

Curriculum connections: Conflict Resolution, Language/Communication Skills, Literature-Based, Musical, Values-Based.