

Cultural Arts Showcases, October 4, 2024

- 9:40 AM Mad Science – Things That Go Boom**
- One of our most popular shows, themed all around learning about chemical reactions. Learn the four signs of a chemical reaction through foaming and color changing experiments, balloon inflation, and, of course, some explosions! Conclude with our Mad Science Bubbling potions, where the kids will get to learn about dry ice and see the creation of real clouds!
- 10:00 AM Marsha and the Positrons – Go From STEM to STEAM**
- Fun, catchy original songs about science and how the world works with positive social messages! Content supports common core standards. Assemblies can be tailored to your needs including a focus on Big Ideas in Science, Women in Science (great for Women's History Month!), Astronomy, Biology, or Health & Wellness. Show options include solo (vocals & guitar), duo (vocals/guitar & bass guitar or percussion), or a trio.
- 10:20 AM Building Better People Productions – Feeling All the Feelings**
- Laila is a 10-year-old girl who feels feelings so big, in fact, that she suspects they might be TOO big in other people's eyes. She comes up with a way to express her emotions that seems to make everyone else happy. But will it work for HER? In this funny, emotional, interactive one-person play starring and written by Lynne Streeeter Childress, Building Better People Productions explores the enormous range of kids' emotions, the pressure they feel to be accepted, and the awesomeness that comes from feeling ALL of your feelings. Our play was written with the advice and input of professionals in child mental and physical health.
- 10:40 AM Norad Media – Soul of Langston**
- Soul of Langston is a one-man stage play about American poet, playwright and Civil-Rights activist Langston Hughes. In his study room, Langston recounts the events that constructed his life—going from “busboy and poet” to becoming Harlem’s Wonder, helping establish the Civil-Rights movement through the Harlem Renaissance.
- 11:00 AM Mary Ann Jung – History Alive!**
- If you think history is boring, you have never enjoyed one of Mary Ann Jung's fun shows and workshops! They are terrific for all ages. Mary Ann has been recreating history's most fascinating women for over thirty years, with a dynamic style like no other. Enjoy audience-participation shows that feature science, history, invention, bravery, innovation - all incredible women.
- 11:20 AM Leila Cabib, Cartoonist, Illustrator, and Animator**
- Leila offers in-school and after-school animation, cartooning and graphic novel creation classes and workshops for students in grades 2-12, both in person and virtually. Students in Leila's school residencies have created graphic novel pages on a variety of themes, among them fairy tales, key events in the Civil Rights Movement, and personal identity and relationships. Their award-winning animated videos have focused on the importance of recycling, the meaning of African adinkra symbols, the ethnic diversity of their school and the health benefits of walking. Leila tailors her residencies to each school's needs and time frame. She furnishes her specialized animation equipment for her classes.

- 11:40 PM Pam the Kindersinger
As a children's entertainer, Pam the Kindersinger performs fun, educational, interactive programs for children. Her energetic shows include singing, dancing, puppetry with ventriloquism, and comedy!
- 12:00 PM Diane Macklin, Storyteller
Blooming Adventures: Garden Stories Collected by and of Zora Neale Hurston
Dig into this interactive, storytelling program highlighting the creative work of a celebrated Harlem Renaissance artist. Zora's stories spring with appreciation for the natural world as a place full of wonder. Get to know her as an American visionary through folk stories retold by Master Storyteller, Diane Macklin.
- 12:20 PM Synetic Theater: Pantomime for Youth – The Miraculous Magical Balloon
A series of hilarious sketches synthesizing music, ballet, clowning, and audience participation. Students will discover the art of acting without words, opening the door to their imaginations. Expressed through body and facial masks, pantomime illusions, and unique choreography, 'Balloon' tells a wonderful story of a traveling actor and his magical trunk of tricks and toys.
- 12:40 AM Story Tapestries: Regie Cabico, Poet
The Seas Will Give You a Standing Ovation When You Speak Poetry by Regie the Poet
Regie Cabico weaves a high-energy tale of interactive spoken word performance, engaging family audiences into the story of what we want to be and who we want to become when channeling our fearless selves. Regie the Poet performs his award-winning work from NPR's Snap Judgement, TEDx, The Archeology Channel, and PBS.

Cultural Arts Showcases, October 9, 2024

6:00 PM

Pandas Karate Inc. – Sticks and Stones

As featured on NBC, Sticks & Stones is a live anti-bullying show that will leave the audience with vital tools to combat bullying without physical violence. Through role-playing, humor and a little bit of karate, our anti-bullying assembly is designed to empower kids and teens to stand up and take action.

6:20 PM

Story Tapestries: Arianna Ross

Arianna Ross creates entertaining, educational programs that weave the power of storytelling, dance, theatre, creative writing, visual art and music together. A master educator and performer who offers a wide variety of arts integration residencies, performances and professional development workshops, Ross uses the tools of her art forms to help students foster a deeper connection to the subjects they're learning, be it language arts, math, science, geography, or social studies, and guide the teachers to incorporate the arts into their lesson plans.

6:40 PM

Marc Tyler Nobleman – Heroes With and Without Capes

My multidisciplinary presentation (adjustable for any age) is a jaw-dropping epic revealing secrets uncovered and mysteries solved while researching my nonfiction books on the creators of Superman and Batman—riveting even for those who couldn't care less about superheroes. The interactive story emphasizes persistence, challenging injustice, and sticking up for oneself and others. My approach motivates even the most reluctant students to read and embrace the adventure of research. It includes an irresistible analogy that teachers regularly incorporate into their classroom lessons. The presentation culminates in not one but three big twists that show how, despite the odds, children's literature—and any one person—can change the world. It has elicited raves (and sometimes tears) from students and teachers worldwide. Part educational, part inspirational, all entertaining.

7:00 PM

Turtle Dance Music and AutismFriendlyShows.com

Reading Rocks! The Bubble, Comedy and Music Show – Autism-Friendly All Ages!

Features wonderful classic and original children's songs and tales. The show engages children with big giant bubbles, songs, comedy, dance, and music technology. Join us for this novel performance which will be accompanied by visual and sensory experiences. Kids will dance, sing, laugh, use their imaginations and connect with new friends. The show is crafted to be inclusive for all children, including children on the Autism Spectrum, and a great time for parents and teachers!

7:20 PM

Story Tapestries: Noa Baum – Peace in My Fingers

Hear a richly woven tapestry of stories across diverse cultures that create the foundation for understanding and compassion and promote tolerance. This program focuses on 21 Century Social-Emotional skills

7:40 PM

Zoey and Zander's Guide to Success – Broke in the Future: The Musical

Uses musical theatre to teach students about financial literacy concepts while highlighting the four parts of a musical. At the end of the program, students will create a short musical scene, which will include songwriting, creating dialogue for actors, and developing a dance routine. At the end of the presentation, students will perform the scene from the musical they created. This program is an engaging, educational, and artistic experience, making it a must-try program for any audience. Students will walk away knowing new financial literacy terms and be more aware of how to make sound financial decisions using their creativity and good judgment.

8:00 PM

The Rope Warrior, Inc. – ROPENASTICS: Rope Jumping in a New Dimension

A highly entertaining look at a great cardiovascular activity! ROPENASTICS is a combination of rope jumping, rhythmic gymnastics, dance, and martial arts. The Rope Warrior's amazing repertoire includes such razzle-dazzle techniques as glow-n-the-dark ropes and jumping rope while sitting or lying on the floor ("tush-ups"), all to a background of energizing music. The interactive program also covers an explanation of the benefits of aerobic activities, a look at the equipment and safety, and, with help from audience members, demonstrates teamwork and cooperation. There is a short question and answer period at the end of the performance.