

The Bijou Theatre is proud to introduce our inaugural *Imagination Series* - offering a new field trip experience for students that inspires the intellect and imagination of young people by providing opportunities to experience and learn through the arts. We hope that your classroom will join us for one of these special presentations!

2019-2020 season:



The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Doors: 9:30 AM / Show: 10:00 AM

This beloved story by Eric Carle, award-winning children's book illustrator and author, is retold on stage through the magic of black light and fanciful puppets. The Very Hungry Caterpillar follows the wonderful adventures of a very tiny and very hungry caterpillar as he eats his way through an amazing variety of foods on his path to becoming a beautiful butterfly. This hour-long production features the imaginative approach to storytelling through theater that has earned international recognition.

> Best for Grades K – 3 60 minutes – No Intermission Price: \$6/student

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Doors: 9:30 AM / Show: 10:00 AM

Hop on board for an unforgettable ride with the Pigeon. It's not easy being the Pigeon—you never get to do ANYTHING! But when the Bus Driver has a crisis that threatens to make her passengers (gasp!) late, maybe that wily bird CAN do something. Starring an innovative mix of actors, puppets, songs, and feathers, Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! (The Musical) is sure to get everyone's wings flapping. With a script written by Mo Willems, the creator of the #1 New York Times bestselling, Caldecott Honor award–winning "Pigeon" picture books, along with longtime collaborator and Disney Jr.'s Muppet Babies executive producer Mr. Warburton, and featuring music by Deborah Wicks La Puma, the composer behind Elephant & Piggie's We Are in a Play!, this comedic musical production is even more fun than staying up late and having a hot dog party!

> Best for Grades K – 3 60 minutes – No Intermission Price: \$6/student





Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Doors: 9:30 AM / Show: 10:00 AM

Text from Shakespeare's masterpieces are transformed into fresh and dynamic jazz songs that have audiences singing along in sheer delight. Shakespeare in Jazz is an engaging, participatory celebration of Shakespeare's work, offering an exciting new way to experience his genius. Great for those discovering his plays for the first time and for Shakespeare aficionados alike! Throughout the concert, audience members will join Daniel's jazz group, featuring an amazing jazz vocalist, as they sing along to catchy, original songs based on A Midsummer Night's Dream, Twelfth Night, Macbeth, Hamlet and many more!

> Best for Grades 5 – 12 60 minutes – No Intermission Price: \$6/student

Teacher Resources

To enhance your students' understanding of each performance, we provide guidebooks that offer thematic learning units, lesson plan suggestions, and background information that will help you create classroom and life learning contexts for your students. Each guidebook provides specific production details, artistic insights, and study materials for use before and after each performance.

Ticket Subsidies

The Bijou doesn't want cost to be a barrier for your students to experience the arts, so please contact us if you have questions about ticket prices. A limited number of ticket subsidies are available to schools in need of funding assistance when requested in advance. Subsidy requests should include the economically disadvantaged percentage of your school, and must be submitted in writing before the final attendance count and payment are submitted. For more information on how to qualify for subsidies, contact us at 865-522-0832.

Travel Grants

Any school may apply for assistance with their travel costs by filling out our Travel Grant Application. Travel Grants reimburse 50% of your travel costs and will be distributed after required documentation has been submitted to the Bijou.

To make a reservation for your classroom or learn more, please visit knoxbijou.org/imagination

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