

The Princess and the Pea

A fast-paced introduction to puppetry with an easy to follow demonstration of puppet making using a plain styrofoam ball and other ordinary materials to create simple characters. Children from the audience are invited on stage to manipulate some of the puppets. From a simple ball on a single finger, to a complex ten-string marionette, the show presents a broad overview of the world of puppetry.

The program culminates with the story written by Hans Christian Andersen, *THE PRINCESS & THE PEA*. The story is performed as a farce with puppeteers in the full view of the audience manipulating old-fashioned marionettes and accompanied by the music of Gioacchino Rossini. This colorful and exciting production is a real crowd pleaser and plays well to audiences of up to 350. The PUPPET ARTS THEATRE takes pride in offering this unique package of a famous story and audience participation.

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Technical requirements:

Dark auditorium or theatre is preferred.

Easy access from the auditorium on the stage is required.

Stage or space: 14 feet wide and 16 feet deep with smooth floor.

Two electrical outlets are needed.

Set up time: One and half hour. Strike time: One hour.

Length of the performance is 45 minutes.

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