

## Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun

Tues., October 29, 2019 • 10 AM

Recommended Grades: PreK - 4th grades

Presented by: Stars Within Reach

Approx. Length: 52 min.

How can Ralph be so mean, Lucy wonders? Lucy is one of a kind, and Ralph loves to point that out. Lucy's defining moment comes when Ralph truly needs her help. Because she knows what she stands for, Lucy has the courage to make the right choice. This tasty musical, based on the award-winning book by Maria Dismondy, empowers children, when faced with bullying, to always do the right thing and to be proud of themselves.

## Lyle the Crocodile

Tues., February 4, 2020 • 10 AM

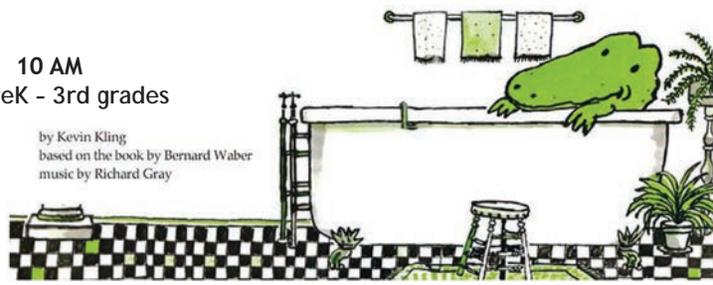
Recommended Grades: PreK - 3rd grades

Presented by: Cinema

Academy/Greatworks

Approx. Length: 60 min.

This is the story of a friendly crocodile who turns up in a bathtub in an apartment in New York City's Upper East Side. Lyle becomes good friends with the folks in the building, except for Mr. Grumps, who hates Lyle, parades, people, and pretty much everything. However, when Lyle rescues Mr. Grumps and his cat Loretta from a fire, Mr. Grumps has to apologize for the way he's treated Lyle. In the end, Lyle helps those around him learn that they should not judge others by how different they appear to be, but to love people (and crocodiles) for what they are.



by Kevin Kling  
based on the book by Bernard Waber  
music by Richard Gray

## Everybody Rock!

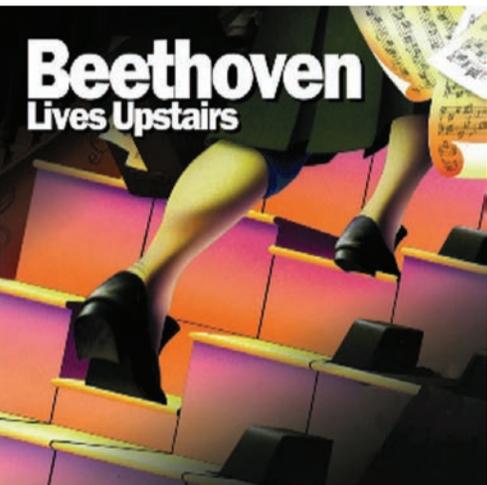
Thurs., February 13, 2020 • 10 AM

Recommended Grades: 3rd - 6th grades

Presented by: Rock U

Approx. Length: 60 min.

A celebration of rock and roll music with the talented musicians from Rock University: Millikin. Students will learn what makes rock and roll a unique form of music with roots in the blues, gospel, jazz, and other types of American music. They will hear examples of rock and roll from throughout history, including 50's rock, heavy metal, punk, alternative, grunge, rhythm and blues, contemporary styles, and more. Students will learn about the instruments used to play rock and roll and how a rock band comes together to create fun, energetic music that everybody loves.



## Beethoven Lives Upstairs

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Thurs.,  
February 27, 2020  
10 AM

Recommended Grades:  
2nd - 6th grades

Presented by:  
Classical Kids and  
Millikin Decatur  
Symphony Orchestra  
Approx. Length: 50 min.  
Cost: FREE

The world famous production of *Beethoven Lives Upstairs* features a lively exchange of letters between young Christoph and his uncle. Their subject is the "madman" who has moved into the upstairs apartment of Christoph's Vienna home. Through a touching correspondence dramatically underscored with the composer's most beautiful excerpts, the young boy slowly comes to understand the genius of the man, the torment of his deafness and the beauty of his music. Excerpts of the master's music is magically woven into the drama as two actors share their anecdotes and observations based on true incidents from the composer's life.



## The Tempest

Thurs., March 5, 2020 • 10 AM

Recommended Grades: 6th - 12th grades

Presented by: Actors from the London Stage

Approx. Length: 60 min.

Cost: FREE

From magic, a storm; from a storm, vengeance; from vengeance, virtue. The dramatic themes of Shakespeare's *The Tempest* resonate more strongly with every passing year. Indeed, the passage of time and knowledge is one of the play's most important themes, with a wronged man learning to wield his power with humility and empathy. Filled with romantic machinations, political scheming, and some of Shakespeare's most vivid characters, *The Tempest* is a perennially popular tale now seen as one of his greatest works.



## Aesop Bops!

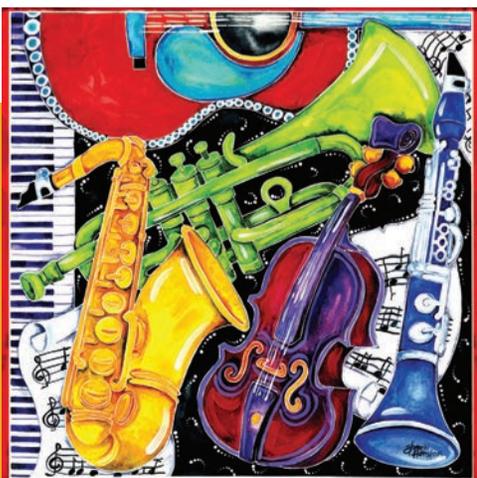
Mon., March 23, 2020 • 10 AM

Recommended Grades: PreK - 3rd grades

Presented by: David Gonzalez and Holden & Arts Associates

Approx. Length: 60 min.

Fast-paced, funny, and packed with audience participation, Aesop Bops! features a potpourri of Aesop's classic stories, including The Lion and the Mouse, The Fisherman and His Wife, and The Turtle's Shell. This feast of funky, physical storytelling leaves young audiences feeling like they had just performed the show too! David Gonzalez rocks, and rolls out the red carpet - inviting kids to join in the fun.



## What is Jazz?

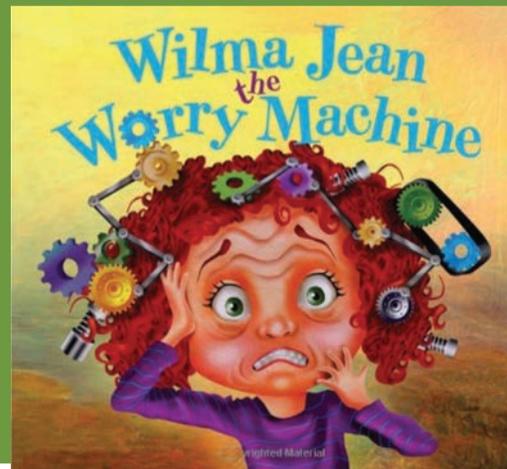
Tues., May 5, 2020 • 10 AM

Recommended Grades: 3rd - 6th grades

Presented by: Mark Tonelli with Millikin Jazz Band

Approx. Length: 50 min.

Right on the heels of Jazz Appreciation Month, *What Is Jazz* takes you on an exciting journey through America's own indigenous musical artform, JAZZ! You will learn how jazz was born right here in our country around the turn of the 20th century and trace its evolution over the past 100 years, as it has absorbed blues, latin, classical and rock styles along the way and continues to evolve today. A live jazz band will perform multiple selections and enable attendees to participate in learning how a jazz performance is built.



## Wilma Jean the Worry Machine

Tues., April 7, 2020 • 10 AM

Recommended Grades: PreK - 3rd grades

Presented by: Stars Within Reach

Approx. Length: 60 min.

Everyone feels fear, worry and apprehension from time to time, but when these feelings prevent a person from doing what they want and/or need to do, anxiety becomes a disability. This fun and humorous musical adaptation offers creative strategies for parents and teachers to use that can lessen the severity of anxiety. Guaranteed fun for Wilmas of all ages!

# PASS

performing arts series for students

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Show	Date	For Grades	Cost per Student	No. of Students	No. of Adults
Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun	Tues., October 29, 2019	PreK-4th	\$5.00		
Lyle the Crocodile	Tues., February 4, 2020	PreK-3rd	\$5.00		
Everybody Rock!	Thurs., February 13, 2020	3rd-6th	\$5.00		
Beethoven Lives Upstairs	Thurs., February 27, 2020	2nd-6th	FREE		
The Tempest	Thurs., March 5, 2020	6th-12th	FREE		
Aesop Bops!	Mon., March 23, 2020	PreK-3rd	\$5.00		
Wilma Jean the Worry Machine	Tues., April 7, 2020	K-3rd	\$5.00		
What is Jazz?	Tues., May 5, 2020	3rd-6th	\$5.00		

All performances are at 10 a.m. at Kirkland Fine Arts Center.

Reservations may be made beginning Thursday, September 12, at 8 a.m. Call the Arts Council at 217-423-3189.

## To: All Educators

Performing Arts Series for Students - PASS opens doors to learning through the performing arts! Eight outstanding, high-quality shows have been chosen for children Pre-K through 12th grade. Featuring outstanding variety and educational content, these shows give you the opportunity to meet the Illinois Learning Standards for Fine Arts. Prior to the shows, study guides will be sent to participating schools so students can be better prepared for the program. Please reserve seats for the program(s) that best suit the needs of your class.

## Important information to know...

**First call, first served** - Thursday, September 12, at 8 am is the first date reservations will be taken. To be sure you get the shows you want for your students, call early to the Arts Council at 217-423-3189! Some shows do sell out.

**Time, location, and length of programs** - Carefully check the time and length of the performance. All shows are at 10 a.m. in the Kirkland Fine Arts Center on the campus of Millikin University.

**Study guides** - Excellent study guides are prepared for each show and sent approximately three weeks before the performance. A hard copy of the study guide will be sent to the school via US mail and to your school email if we have it.

**Five dollar price** - All shows are \$5 except *Beethoven Lives Upstairs* on February 27 and *The Tempest* on March 5, which are free. We want all children to attend! Scholarship funds are available to cover children that can't or don't pay. All you have to do is call the Arts Council at 217-423-3189. Also, please give us a call if there has been a change in the number of students attending.

**Teachers and chaperones** are free for all shows, with a maximum of one adult for every five children. If the show is sold out, exceptions can be made and the \$5 fee will apply. Additional chaperones for children with handicaps are exempt from further cost.

**Transportation scholarships** - Through a grant from Homefield Energy, a limited amount of scholarship funds are available to assist with bus transportation costs. You may request a transportation scholarship when you call in to reserve space for your students. You will be notified at a later date as to whether your transportation scholarship has been approved.

**Billing procedures** - Invoices are sent approximately three weeks before a performance. Payment is requested no later than 10 days after the date of the show.

**Grade recommendations** - Grade recommendations are recommendations only. Use your judgement to decide which performances will best suit your students.

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