

Great Arizona Puppet Theater 302 West Latham Street Phoenix AZ 85003



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### **A NEW SHOW - A NEW THEATER A NEW PHASE**

For years you've heard us talking about "finishing up the big room" so we can start doing shows in it, and at long last it's happening. A grant from Arizona Heritage Fund was matched by you - our audience, friends, and supporters - and the maple floor that was destroyed by water damage has been replaced. We are finishing up some details in the room and plan to have it open for FRANKENSTEIN'S BABY - a brand new show full of comedy and heart-warming fun. And what happens in the old room?

### **PUPPETS OF ASIA**

Those of you who've visited in July and August have no doubt noticed the gorgeous puppets in the display cases. These are just a few of the puppets from Alan Cook's International Puppet Collection. Mr. Cook has been collecting since a boy of 12 and now has over 3000 puppets from 27 different countries, the largest private collection in America. A grant from Arizona Commission on the Arts is enabling us to bring Mr. Cook and his Asian puppets to the theater just in time for Chinese 5<sup>TH</sup> generation puppeteer Yang Huang's visit in November. Call your friends, mark your calendar, and don't miss this chance to see a Chinese master puppeteer and a historical exhibit showing the breadth of puppetry in Asia.

Mr. Cook will give a lecture on Asian puppetry on Thursday, November 4 at 7:00 p.m., followed by a demonstration of Chinese hand puppetry by Yang Haung. A \$5 donation to support the exhibit is requested for admission to the lecture/ demonstration, which is recommended for adults and teens.



Children ages 5 and up and adults will love seeing Yang Huang's MONKEY FISHING puppet show, playing at Great Arizona Puppet Theater November 3-7. Also, we are looking for volunteer docents willing to guide school groups through the Asian Puppetry Exhibit, which will be up through February 2005. Please call us at 602-262-2050 to get involved in this fun and interesting project!

The Great Arizona Puppet Theater is supported by:



















## **GETTING TO THE THEATER**

Take the I-10 to 7th Avenue, in central Phoenix. At the top of the exit turn South. Follow to the 1st light, and turn left onto Roosevelt. Follow Roosevelt to the light at 3rd Avenue. Turn left onto 3rd Avenue and go two blocks to Latham. Turn left onto Latham Street and park in the lot behind the theater. The theater entrance faces 3rd Avenue.

NEWSLETTER

### **COOL COYOTE PARTY**

The annual Cool Coyote Party is scheduled for Saturday, November 6 at 6:00 pm. Families belonging to the Cool Covote and Pinocchio memberships will enjoy a child friendly Chinese dinner, make Chinese inspired puppets, get the kids' handprints made for our Honor Wall, tour the Alan Cook Asian Puppet Exhibit, and see a special performance by Chinese hand puppet master Yang Huang. Join at the Cool Coyote level or upgrade your membership now to get in on this unforgettable evening.



### **SHOWS FOR ADULTS -**AND WHAT IS A **PUPPET SLAM?**

Monthly puppet shows for adults will start in October with a Puppet Slam, October 1 & 2 at 8 pm each night. What can you expect at a Puppet Slam? Who knows? It's

bound to be funny, it might be thought-provoking, controversial, risqué, or all of the above. It's a variety of puppet shows put on by the most creative puppet people in Arizona and thereabouts. Think you've got a Puppet Slam piece in you? Contact Nancy or Lisa at 602-262-2050 to find out what to do to be included.

The November adult show features Chinese puppeteer Yang Huang. He will give one evening performance on Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm. His show is also appropriate for school age children.

### WHERE OH WHERE ARE OUR **CHANDELIERS?**



Anybody want to play History Detective and find out what happened to the other three chandeliers that once hung in the old Chapel of our theater? The one chandelier hanging was recovered from the Arizona Historical Society but we have not been able to recover the other three. If we can't find its identical brothers soon we'll have to take it down to have it replicated.

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### Showtimes:

Wednesday - Friday 10 am Saturday at 10 AM & 2 pm; Sunday: 2 pm \*\*\*Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas November 26, December 20-24 & Dec 27-Jan 1

will have additional 2 PM matinee shows.

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### Admissions:

\$6 for children age 2 and up \$8 for adults Group Rates Available Adult Series \$8 in advance / \$10 at the door

# **BABY BEAR GOES** S

### TO SCHOOL The first day of school is exciting for everyone. Watch Baby Bear pack his backpack, practice numbers and colors

and make a puppet! Recommended ages 3 and up.

### **FRANKENSTEIN'S** BABY

What are two monsters to do when they are asked to baby-sit the littlest monster of all? Find out in our brand new show sure to get you dancing to the "Monster Mash". Recommended Kindergarten and up.

**MONKEY FISHING** in our delightful Guest Artist Yang Huang brings his masterful acrobatic Chinese puppets to our theater for a week of dazzling shows. Come see puppets spin plates, perform flips and change in front of your eyes. Masterful puppetry for the whole family presented by a fifth generation puppetry artist.

**SHOW DESCRIPTIONS** 

# **THE THREE LITTLE KITTENS:**

THE MEWSICAL The three little kittens may not get any pie if they don't find their lost mittens. But are the mittens lost, or stolen? Help solve the mystery

Our annual presentation of the classic rags to riches tale. Special holiday show times: Dec 27- Jan 1 at 10 AM and 2 PM

## **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Please enroll our family as members of the Great Arizona Puppet Theater in the following category: \$25 - Punch & Judy Club \$50 - Puppeteers Club \$100 - Cool Coyotes \$300 - The Pinocchios Membership Card, \$1.00 off Above privileges plus 20% Above privileges plus Above privileges plus each regular Admission, 1 discount on Workshops and 2 Children's Handprints and a free birthday party show and Finger Puppet, 10% Discount names on the Wall of Honor guest Passes, plus Great 4 guest passes. in the Gift Shop, Free Arizona Puppet Theater Tat the theater and an invitation Admission for kids on their shirt, size to a Cool Covotes Party. birthdays. Small Medium Large X-Large PARENTS/GUARDIAN EMPLOYER(S) FOR MATCHING DONATION PURPOSES ADDRESS MOM

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# Advance reservations highly recommended 602-262-2050

musical where the clever kittens save the day. Recommended ages 3 and up.

### THE ELVES AND THE SHOEMAKER

Santa's elves are sent to help a kind shoemaker and his wife in this annual classic. Special holiday show times: December 20-24 Monday—Friday 10 AM and 2 PM.

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### **PUPPET SLAM**

Adults are invited to come back to our theater for our second full season of night time events. With irreverent, topical, controversial and oftentimes wacky puppet shows for the more mature set. Featuring local puppet companies and guests from neighboring Arizona cities and states. Tickets are \$8 in advance with purchase over the phone, and \$10 at the door the day of the show. General Admission.

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