



Great Arizona Puppet Theater  
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# Fall 2006 Newsletter

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## NEWSLETTER

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### 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.

## FALL 2006

### PINOCCHIO OPEN SET FOR SEPT 16!



It's no lie! You could win a brand new Ford Mustang at the first ever PINOCCHIO OPEN! Robson Ranch Golf Club

has generously opened their course to this fundraising event for the puppet theater. Individual players pay just \$75 or a four-person team is \$300. Put together a four-some of your best, worst or most average golf buddies because there are prizes for teams with Highest Score, Middle Score and Lowest Score. And there are prizes for individual players too. Everyone will get a PINOCCHIO OPEN t-shirt and a beautiful Great Arizona Puppet Theater golf ball! WOODEN you like to join the fun? To register, call 602-262-2050 or visit our website at [www.azpuppets.org](http://www.azpuppets.org) to find out more.

### PAUL MESNER GUEST ARTIST

Award-winning Kansas City puppeteer Paul Mesner is bringing TWO shows to GAPT in October. Based on the book by Robert Bright, GEORGIE & THE NOISY GHOST is a gentle tale about the original friendly ghost. The little ones will love this and you will too. The show is recommended for preschool—grade 2.

Paul is the featured performer at the October Puppet Slam, October 6 & 7 at 8:00 p.m. Paul describes SONGS OF MIRTH AND MAYHEM as "juvenile humor for adults only." Leave the kids and the inhibitions at home for this one! SONGS OF MIRTH AND MAYHEM was developed with support from the Jim Henson Foundation.

### DRESSING FOR PUPPET SHOWS



Kids came dressed as Peter Pan, Tinkerbell, Captain Hook, pirates, and even the Lost Boys during our run of PETER PAN. We've got Halloween shows all October, so WEAR YOUR HALLOWEEN COSTUMES TO THE PUPPET THEATER!

### JOIN THE FUN!

If you're not yet a member of the theater this would be a great time to join. The Cool Coyote Party coming up will be during the run of TROUBLE AT HAUNTED MOUNTAIN, so we're inviting the kids to attend in their Halloween costumes, or dressed western and ready to ride! We will have food, pony rides, a spooooky puppet show, spooooky puppet making and we'll be taking children's handprints for the wall. If your family is a current member at the Cool Coyote or Pinocchio level, you'll be getting an invitation in the mail. If you belong to a lower level, you can upgrade. And if you're not a member at all, what are you waiting for? Membership offers nice benefits (see inside) and your contribution helps support the many programs inside and outside the puppet theater.

### SHOP YOUR FRIENDLY PUPPET THEATER

For a unique holiday gift, come to our "Patio Puppet Sale" Thanksgiving weekend, where you can give a slightly used puppet a new home. Everything in our Gift Shop will be on sale throughout the holidays!

## FALL 2006 SCHEDULE

### September

S M T W T F S

					1	2
					BABY BEAR GOES TO SCHOOL.....	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
B. BEAR			BABY BEAR GOES TO SCHOOL.....			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
B. BEAR		BABY BEAR .....				GOLF RED HEN
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
B. BEAR			GOLDBLOCKS.....			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
GOLDBLOCKS.....			GOLDBLOCKS.....			

### November

S M T W T F S

			1	2	3	4
			HANSEL AND GRETEL.....			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
H&G			HANSEL AND GRETEL.....			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
H&G HANSEL AND GRETEL .....						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
H&G			H&G CLOSED		H&G.....	
26	27	28	29	30		
H&G			HANSEL AND GRETEL.....			

#### Family Showtimes:

Wed-Fri 10 AM  
Sat 10 AM & 2 PM; Sunday 2 PM

\*\*\*Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas

November 24, December 22 & December 26-December 29 will have additional 2 PM matinee shows.

### October

S M T W T F S

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GOLDBLOCKS.....			PUPPET SLAM GEORGIE AND THE NOISY GHOST.....			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
GEORGIE			TROUBLE AT HAUNTED MOUNTAIN.....			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
TROUBLE			TROUBLE AT HAUNTED MOUNTAIN.....			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
TROUBLE			TROUBLE AT HAUNTED MOUNTAIN.....			
29	30	31				
TROUBLE						

### December

S M T W T F S

					1	2
					HANSEL AND GRETEL.....	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
H&G			ELVES AND THE SHOEMAKER.....			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
ELVES			ELVES AND THE SHOEMAKER.....			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
ELVES			ELVES AND THE SHOEMAKER.....			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
ELVES			CLOSED		CINDERELLA.....	

#### Admissions:

\$6 for children age 2 and up \$8 for adults  
Group Rates Available  
Puppet Slams \$8 in advance / \$10 day of show

## SHOW DESCRIPTIONS

#### BABY BEAR GOES TO SCHOOL

Aug. 23-Sept. 17  
Get ready for school! Sing along with Baby Bear on his first day of school!  
Recommended for preschool-grade 2.

#### GOLDBLOCKS

Sept. 20-Oct. 1  
The girl with the golden curls is up to no good at the Bears' house.  
Ages preschool—grade 2.



Goldilocks



#### GEORGIE AND THE NOISY GHOST

October 4-8  
Award winning Kansas City puppeteer Paul Mesner presents a delightful show based on the book by Robert Bright. A gentle tale about the original friendly ghost. 5 days only!  
Recommended preschool - grade 2.

#### PUPPET SLAM

October 6, 7 at 8 pm  
FEATURING GUEST ARTIST PAUL MESNER'S *Songs of Mirth &*

*Mayhem.* Adults only, not for children or the easily offended.

#### TROUBLE AT HAUNTED MOUNTAIN

October 11-29  
A not-too-spooky musical about a prospector, his trusted donkey and the Haunted Mountain Gold Mine. There's more than treasure hidden inside! Ages Kindergarten and up.

#### HANSEL AND GRETEL

Nov. 1-Dec. 3  
Favorite fairy tale story about

the children, the witch, and the gingerbread house. Includes music from Humperdinck's opera. Performed with large rod puppets. Ages K and up.



Hansel and Gretel

#### THE ELVES AND THE SHOEMAKER

December 6-24  
A holiday favorite! Santa's elves come to help a poor shoemaker and his wife.  
Recommended K and up.

#### CINDERELLA

Dec. 26-Jan. 28  
The girl, the guy, the glass slipper! A fun script and special effects make this one of our most popular shows. Performed with hand puppets. Preschool and up.



Cinderella

#### NEW YEAR'S PUPPET SLAM

January 5, 6 at 8 pm  
Edgy shows to put 2006 to rest. NOT for children or the easily offended.

## 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 each regular Admission, 1 Finger Puppet, 10% Discount in the Gift Shop, Free Admission for kids on their birthdays.

Above privileges plus 2 guest Passes, and Great Arizona Puppet Theater T-shirt, size  
\_\_ Small \_\_ Medium  
\_\_ Large \_\_ X-Large

Above privileges plus Children's Handprints and names on the Wall of Honor at the theater and an invitation to a Cool Coyotes Party.

Above privileges plus a free birthday party show and 4 guest passes.

PARENTS/GUARDIAN

EMPLOYER(S) FOR MATCHING DONATION PURPOSES

ADDRESS

MOM

CITY

STATE

ZIP

DAD

HOME PHONE

CHILDREN'S NAMES AND BIRTHDATES (INCLUDE YEAR OF BIRTH)

WORK PHONE

**RESERVATIONS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED**  
**CALL 602-262-2050**