



AT COBB ENERGY PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

## 2023-2024 PROGRAM GUIDE



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**CREATING THE FUTURE THROUGH  
ARTS EDUCATION**



# MISSION

The **MISSION** of ArtsBridge Foundation is to expand arts education for all Georgia students. The **VISION** of ArtsBridge Foundation is for everyone to have access to arts experiences.

ArtsBridge Foundation provides quality performing arts education and community engagement programs designed to foster our K-12 students as the next generation of artists and art supporters. In collaboration with leading regional and national arts organizations, ArtsBridge has paved the way for nearly 425,000 **students and educators** from 70 Georgia counties to experience and benefit from the positive power of the arts!

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## CREATING THE FUTURE THROUGH ARTS EDUCATION

This season we have carefully designed our programming to connect with and to inspire all ages, while featuring unique aspects of the performing arts! The ArtsBridge season consists of the programs listed below.

### Field Trips

Field Trips to the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre expose students to a slate of **curated, high-quality** educational performances that connect to the **Georgia Standards of Excellence**, which are a comprehensive roadmap to help educators, parents, and community members promote and improve college and career readiness for all students. To increase accessibility of these performances, ArtsBridge offers *Snack Packs* and a need-based **Financial Aid Subsidy** program.

### Professional Development

Students and educators benefit from a variety of **skill** and **talent development** workshops in the performing arts taught by notable Broadway cast members and arts professionals from Georgia and beyond.

### Georgia High School Musical Theatre Awards

Modeled after Broadway's Tony Awards®, the **Georgia High School Musical Theatre Awards** program **celebrates excellence** in high school musical theatre and involves thousands of students, educators, and theatre professionals in a competitive season that culminates in a live, televised awards show. The program has been nominated for ten Southeast Emmy® Awards and has won five times.

Winner of  
5 Southeast  
Emmy®  
Awards!

"The ArtsBridge program has become a cornerstone for my programs. The quality of programming is always first-rate. It is well-defined per age group and the ability for students to experience these things at little or no cost is priceless!"



# Field Trip Guidelines

## TICKETS & RESERVATIONS

- Field trip performance **tickets are \$10** for students and adults.
- **One complimentary ticket** will be issued **for every 15 tickets** purchased and can be used for teachers and chaperones.
- **Every attendee needs a ticket** for admission.
- ArtsBridge programs are **age specific** per the recommendations listed with each show.
- Inform us of any **accessibility accommodations** (e.g. wheelchair seating, phonic ear devices, etc.) during the reservation process.
- A **nonrefundable 50% deposit** is due 30 days after reservation with balance due four weeks prior to field trip date. Invoices will be provided.
- **Confirmation** will be emailed before the performance and this will serve as your group's ticket. We do not print individual tickets.
- Reservations may be canceled **no later than four weeks prior** to the performance date, after which you will be held liable for the amount due.

Reserve your Field Trip tickets at [ArtsBridgeGA.org](https://ArtsBridgeGA.org). Questions? Contact us at 770-916-2805 or [education@artsbridgega.org](mailto:education@artsbridgega.org)

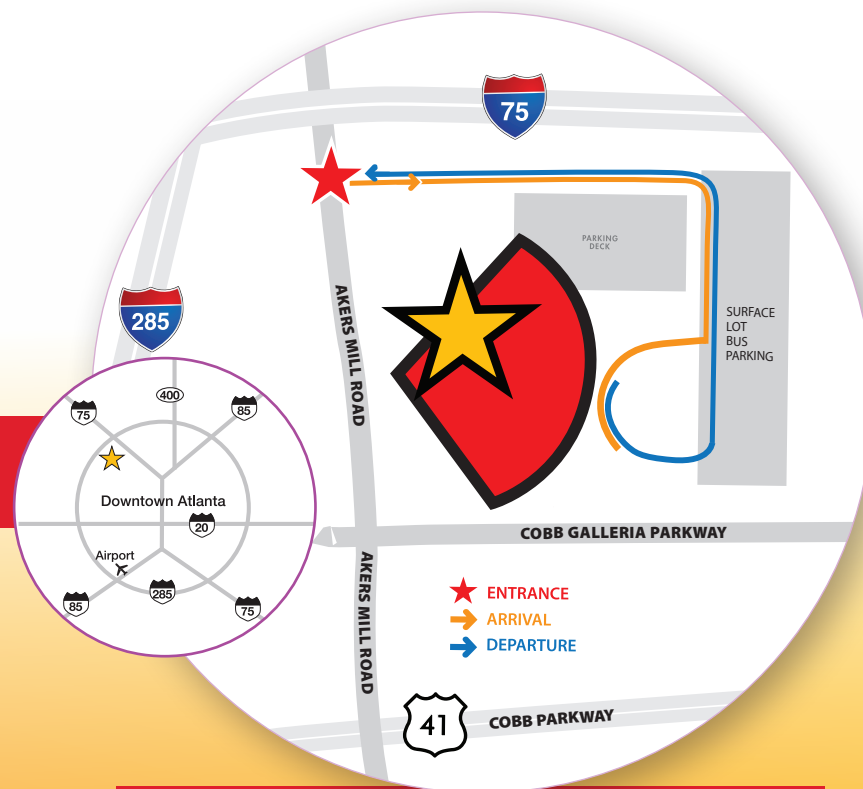
## ARRIVAL & ETIQUETTE

- Doors will open approximately **one hour prior** to show time.
- We recommend arriving **30 – 45 minutes prior** to the performance.
- Seats are assigned on a **first-come, first-served** basis and are **general admission**. We do our best to seat groups together; however, groups and/or individuals wishing to be seated together must arrive together. We do not hold seats.
- A **curtain speech** will be provided at the beginning of each performance to review theatre etiquette.
- All ArtsBridge performances are approximately **one hour in length** unless otherwise noted.
- Lunch areas are not provided at Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre ArtsBridge performances. **No food or drink** is permitted in the theatre.
- All backpacks and lunchboxes **must be left** on buses or in vehicles.
- Snack Packs **must be taken out of the building** and eaten elsewhere. Please be sure to pick up any trash from the Cobb Energy Centre grounds.

## LOCATION

### COBB ENERGY PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

2800 Cobb Galleria Parkway • Atlanta, Georgia 30339



## PARKING

- After dropping the students off near the front doors, school buses will be directed to **park in the flat lot** across from the theatre entrance.
- All other vehicles including cars, SUVs, vans, etc., will be directed to the parking deck adjacent to the theatre and will incur a **\$15 per vehicle charge**.



## GSO Jazz!

Presents Jazz at Lincoln Center's "Jazz for Kids"

Monday, October 16, 2023 | 11:00am

**Grades 4-8 | \$10**

This six-song set features arrangements by members of the world renowned Jazz at Lincoln Orchestra. Our purpose is to expose young students to the sophisticated idiom of jazz through familiar melodies. These arrangements incorporate a variety of instruments not always associated with jazz in settings from a full big band to more intimate small ensembles. We will discuss in broad terms the history of the jazz ensemble and happily demonstrate the variety of instruments used for this concert.



Photo by Tom Kells

**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:** Fine Arts (Orchestra, General Music); Social Studies (History)

*Snack Packs provided immediately following performance upon exit.*

## Hot Peas 'n Butter

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 | 11:00am

**Grades Pre-K-3 | \$10**

Hot Peas 'n Butter is an award-winning, multicultural family music band that wows thousands of young audiences across the nation every year with their highly energetic and interactive musical style. With eight award-winning albums and numerous music videos (some of which have been featured on Nick Jr. and Nickelodeon TV), Hot Peas 'n Butter makes new friends everywhere they go.

Named for the playground game they played as kids, Hot Peas 'n Butter incorporates many languages into their performances – English, Spanish, French, Korean and Hebrew just to name a few!

**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:** Social Studies (History, Geography); Language Arts, Fine Arts (Music, Dance, Dramatic Arts/Theatre); World Languages; Social/Emotional Learning Development (Diversity, Community)

*Snack Packs provided immediately following performance upon exit.*



## The Carp Who Would Not Quit

By Reiko Ho and the Honolulu Theatre for Youth Ensemble

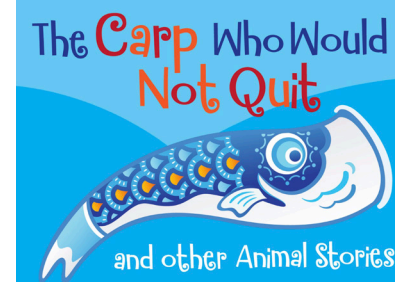
Monday, November 13, 2023 | 11:00am

**Grades Pre-K – 2 | \$10**

Could YOU climb up a waterfall??! See a heroic carp who tries just that in this energetic retelling of traditional fables from Japan and Okinawa. Through artful puppetry, masks, and three imaginative actors, you'll also meet a grateful crane, a mouse who shares, and an industrious rabbit who teaches everyone to do the mochi dance! During this invigorating show from Hawaii, live music played on the koto and taiko drum will accompany young audience as they dance, clap, and sing along.

**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:** Social Studies (History, Geography); Language Arts, Fine Arts (Music, Dance, Dramatic Arts/Theatre); World Languages; Social/Emotional Learning Development (Diversity, Bravery, Resilience, Community, Racism, Self-Awareness, Social Awareness, Self-Management, and Relationship Skills)

*Snack Packs provided immediately following performance upon exit.*



## The Nutcracker

Performed by Atlanta Ballet

Friday, December 15, 2023 | 11:00am

**Grades K – 12 | \$10 | 1500 Seats Available**

The magical world of The Nutcracker returns to the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre this December. Atlanta Ballet's larger-than-life production is a winter wonderland where falling snowflakes, twirling flowers and spinning stars guide Marie and her Nutcracker Prince through a dream-like world of delights - amplified by traditional stage magic and state-of-the-art technology.

**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:** Fine Arts (Music, Dramatic Arts/Theatre, and Visual Art); English Language Arts; and Social Studies



## The Jason Bishop Show

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 | 11:00am

**Grades K-12 | \$10**

From his breathtaking Double Levitation to his cutting edge Op-Art and Plasma illusions, Jason Bishop features stunning & original state of the art magic. One thing that distinguishes Bishop is his virtuosity. Each show features award winning sleight of hand, exclusive grand illusions and close-up magic projected onto a huge movie screen. With no other touring illusionist showcasing such a diverse array of talents, your students will be sure to enjoy this ridiculously engaging show accompanied by an outstanding rock & pop soundtrack.



**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:** Science, Fine Arts (Dramatic Arts/Theatre)

*Snack Packs provided immediately following performance upon exit.*

## Mayhem Poets

Monday, January 30, 2024 | 11:00am

**Grades 6 – 12 | \$10**

“Let’s go see a poetry show.” That is a sentence rarely proclaimed and usually responded to with cringes and excuses. The Mayhem Poets are on a mission to change that. Having been dubbed “an amazing ride” by the New York Times, these theatre-trained, comedically gifted, lyrical virtuosos seamlessly blend raw elements of hip hop, theatre, improv and stand-up comedy to tell gut-wrenching truths that leave audiences forever changed.

**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:** English Language Arts, Fine Arts - Dramatic Arts/Theatre



*Snack Packs provided immediately following performance upon exit.*

## ArtsKSU Revue

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 | 11:00am

**Grades 6 – 12 | \$1 per Ticket**

ArtsKSU Revue is a multidisciplinary program featuring dance, music, theater, and the visual arts in an engaging live performance. One of the only programs of its kind in the Atlanta area, this revue from the College of the Arts at Kennesaw State University will give students a comprehensive experience of four art disciplines in synergy. Packed with energy, virtuosity and dynamic repertory, ArtsKSU Revue is best suitable for grades 6-12.

**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:** Fine Arts (Music, Dance, Visual Arts, Dramatic Arts/Theatre, Media Arts)

*Snack Packs provided immediately following performance upon exit.*



## Behind-the-Scenes Tours

School days dependent on availability

**Maximum 30 students per tour | \$5 per Ticket**

Explore the magic behind the scenes of the world-class, state-of-the-art Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre. Discover the lighting and sound booths, orchestra pit, fly system, loading dock, scenery shop and much more. Tours last approximately one hour, and dates are contingent upon theatre and technical staff availability.







Students were amazed by the science behind the magic. This show encouraged many of our students to dig deeper into other magic “tricks” to try to find the science of how they works...Fantastic experience for all!”

*Homeschool Field Trip Club*



One of our students stated in their field trip reflection that they enjoyed the field trip because it was, ‘funny, exciting, entertaining and filled with information.’ ...the process was simple, and one of the greatest experiences that I have witnessed for an out of school learning experience.”

*Dunleith Elementary School*



I love how engaged my students were the entire time. Even my boys that were uncomfortable, by the time we left they had gained an appreciation for the hard work that male dancers put into their craft.”

*M.D. Roberts Fine Arts Magnet*



My students attended “ArtsKSU” [formerly Synergy] and loved seeing the range of offerings by KSU. As a high school that sends a large number of students to KSU, it is beneficial for the students to see the high quality of performing groups that they can join or continue to support in college.”

*Kell High School*

# Financial Aid

Apply on  
our website at  
**ArtsBridgeGA.org**

**ArtsBridge provides admission and/or transportation financial aid** to students and schools in need to assist their participation in our arts education field trips. Financial Aid is granted based on individual need and available funds on a first-come, first-served basis.

Resources are limited; however, it is our goal to serve as many students as possible!



## Snack Pack Program

ArtsBridge provides nutritious Snack Packs to eliminate hunger pangs of **every student** who attends a Field Trip to Cobb Energy Centre. Each Snack pack contains non-perishable food items, such as juice, a fruit cup, a granola bar, and fruit gummies (please note that contents may vary and may contain allergens.)

Every Snack Packing Event offers a tremendous volunteer opportunity for community groups. It takes 2,500 Snack Packs to accommodate each Field Trip! If your organization would like to help assemble the Snack Packs one weekend, please contact [education@artsbridgega.org](mailto:education@artsbridgega.org) or 770.916.2817 to arrange.



# Professional Development Workshop Series



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*The Theatre: Inside-n-Out*

## Technical Theatre: Pulling Back the Curtain

**Our Why:** As a bridge to the arts, our goal is to be a resource to schools as they continue to strive to meet the Georgia Standards of Excellence in the Fine Arts. Since many schools struggle with the technical aspect of complex stage productions, this program is your backstage pass to a hands-on, comprehensive training that equips your students with the tools to transform your school's future programs and productions.

**Theatre: Inside-N-Out (TIAO):** is a comprehensive technical theatre program for students and faculty, focusing on training across five major disciplines: Lighting, Sound, Carpentry/Fly, Wardrobe/Hair/Make-Up, and Management. TIAO aims to equip students with practical skills and theoretical knowledge using a format that allows students to learn, practice and apply their understanding of technical theatre concepts. TIAO helps participants to develop well-rounded skill sets and a deep appreciation for the art and the craftsmanship surrounding theatre production.

*Please note: For the safety of workshop participants, attendees will be required to sign medical and media release forms.*

**WHERE:** Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre

**INDIVIDUAL PRICE:** \$125/Faculty Member or Student

**SMALL GROUP PRICING:** \$100/each (5 – 9 students)

**LARGE GROUP PRICING:** \$75/each (10+ Students)



Scholarships available for Title I students.

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## Theatre: Inside-n-Out – Fall 2023

Monday, October 23, 2023 | 8:00am – 3:00pm

Grades 9 – 12 | \$125

**"Cue to Cue"** — An in-depth look at live production from a technical lens. | **36 open slots**

**\*\*No previous experience required!**

**\*\*ArtsBridge will provide permission slips for this educational experience.**



We had a great time. The amount

of knowledge available to our kids was above our expectations. What a lineup of professionals! I really appreciate the access, too. We all had a great time exploring the place. Overall, this was a really inspiring visit. I'm sure that most of our kids have never been backstage in a commercial venue until now. Anyway, thank you so much for letting us know about this. We'd love to be involved in any events like this related to the technical side of things in the future. It's rare to find such an opportunity. Please thank everyone over there again for me. Everyone was wonderful to us. "

*Technical Director/Music Production Teacher/  
Theater Technology Teacher, St. Pius X Catholic High School*



## Theatre: Inside-n-Out – Spring 2024

Monday, February 29, 2024 | 8:00am – 3:00pm

Grades 9 – 12 | \$125

**"Places Please"** — A practical application of learned technical elements in collaboration with a student performance piece. This is the perfect opportunity for students to engage in on-site creative design and troubleshooting. | **36 open slots**

**\*\*No previous experience required!**

**\*\*ArtsBridge will provide permission slips for this educational experience.**





## Participating in the Program

ArtsBridge is committed to I.D.E.A. (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access) and welcomes ALL schools from around the state of Georgia to register for participation in the year-round Shuler Awards program. For detailed instructions on how to prepare for the registration process visit [here](#).

Interested schools are highly encouraged to attend our informational Pre-Registration Town Hall, which will be held via Zoom on **Monday, August 7, 2023 at 5:00 PM.**

Shuler Awards Registration begins on **Monday, August 28, 2023 at 8:00 PM.** Fifty (50) schools will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and the remaining schools will be placed on a waitlist.

Eligible schools must adhere to the following:

- All participating schools must pay a nonrefundable program fee of \$200
- Schools must be located in the state of Georgia
- Musical productions must take place between October 13, 2023 and March 9, 2024
- All Directors of CONFIRMED Participating Schools are required to attend a Director Orientation via Zoom on September 7, 2023
- To be adjudicated, a musical production qualifies if it is a full-length musical listed on the [National High School Musical Theatre Awards Qualifying Roles](#).



Fashioned after Broadway's Tony Awards®, the Georgia High School Musical Theatre Awards – Shuler Hensley Awards® celebrate excellence in high school musical theatre. The Awards are named in honor of actor/singer and Georgia native, Shuler Hensley, winner of the prestigious Tony Award®, among others.

The program embodies a spirit of camaraderie and celebration for the arts and provides a unique professional learning experience for high school musical theatre students and educators across Georgia, while motivating, inspiring, and advocating for students, faculty, and theatre programs across the state.



## How it Works

From mid-October to mid March, a panel of adjudicators evaluates each production and provides scores and feedback for each eligible award category. **Once all adjudications are completed, scores are tabulated by an independent auditing firm and nominations are announced during a Georgia Public Broadcasting (GPB) live broadcast in mid-March.**

Schools, nominees, faculty, adjudicators, friends and family join in the celebration of our 5-time Southeast Emmy® Awards winning production of the Georgia High School Musical Theatre Awards in Atlanta's world-class Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre, recognizing excellence across 18 categories including Overall Production, Direction, Choreography, Set Design, Lighting, Leading Actress/Actor, Costumes, and many more!

Participating schools have access to unique opportunities through the GHSMTA program! Each school may nominate up to two students for the Shuler Ensemble, performing the opening and closing medleys during a live broadcast of the production. In addition, up to two technical theatre students can be nominated for the S.T.A.R. Council (Students Take A Role), serving as production assistants backstage during The Shulers. **Students are also eligible to apply for scholarships, which are announced during a live broadcast of the nominations.**

The recipients of the Leading Actress and Actor Awards are sent to New York City to compete in the National High School Musical Theatre Awards – The Jimmy Awards®, where they have the chance to win college scholarship opportunities and the coveted National Award.

**Join us for the Sweet 16 celebration of the Georgia High School Musical Theatre Awards on April 18, 2024, at the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre!**



**Join us for the Sweet 16 Show on April 18, 2024 at Cobb Energy Centre!**



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**Reserve your seat today!**  
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