

# 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SEASON

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"Your actors were AMAZING, the script was hilarious and had the attention of both students AND adults - hands down, one of my top 3 favorites from my past 6 years booking school programs! We are so glad to have discovered your company - and I'm already looking forward to your next catalog to see what we can schedule for next year". - PTA SPONSOR, NEW YORK

## WELCOME TO OUR 2023-2024 SEASON!

Dear Friends,

As we celebrate 20 years of doing business and look forward to the next 20, we want to again thank you and your wonderful audiences that have made our company possible.

Our theatre has always sought to celebrate the stories of heroes. Whether it's through our highly acclaimed shows that celebrate Black History and Women's History, or by empowering students to be their own bully prevention heroes through our character education work, our goal is always to delight, engage and challenge our audiences to be the heroes of their own stories.

As we look forward to 2023-2024, we invite you to find the heroes and stories that will impact, empower and embolden the young audiences that are near and dear to your heart.

Over the last two decades we've had the honor of performing around the world and working with some of our nation's most iconic institutions. From the Smithsonian museums, the National Park Service, and presidential libraries to schools, libraries and performing arts centers all over the country, we are so proud to have been entrusted with sharing the magic of theatre to literally millions of audience members. Reflecting on our years on the road, some of our most cherished memories have occurred performing for students in small classrooms and crowded gymnasiums, sharing that indescribable spark of wonderment that only a live performance can inspire.

Our company strives to bring heroic tales to the stage, but within our offices you are our heroes! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to bring the magic of theatre to every corner of the country and around the globe.

We understand the power of the arts and their potential to create a memory that will last a lifetime and we are honored to share in that partnership with you.

So thank you. Thank you for trusting us for over two decades! We can't wait to share this season with you and your young audience.

Thankfully yours,  
David Ostergaard, Founder/Owner  
BRIGHT STAR TOURING THEATRE



★ **PS: Did you know live performance is just part of our work? Talk to us about our residencies, programs, classroom visits, online and pre-recorded programming and more. Connect with us today - 336-558-7360!**



### BOOKING IS EASY AS 1, 2, 3!

#### 1 PICK A SHOW

Or multiple shows! You can choose 1, 2, or all 3 shows from the same tour, and if you want multiple dates from different tours, we have great block-booking rates.

#### 2 FIND A DATE

Our tours are now easily labeled for the season they are touring. Remember, it's always best to have a few dates in mind.

FALL  
HOLIDAY  
WINTER  
SPRING  
SUMMER

#### 3 REACH OUT!

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## HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

(Sept 11 - Nov 4)

### BIENVENIDOS! - TREMENDOUS TALES AND REAL-LIFE LEGENDS FROM THE SPANISH SPEAKING WORLD

Meet some amazing groundbreakers from the Spanish speaking world including Carlos Cervantes, Pablo Neruda, Frida Kahlo, Desi Arnaz, Jennifer Lopez and many more. (All Ages)



### LITTLE RED AND THE BIG BULLY WOLF (ENGLISH ONLY)

The woods are scary enough without having to worry about a big bully howling in the shadows! (Grades K-5)

### LA CAPERUCITA ROJA - A BILINGUAL BULLYPREVENTION ADVENTURE

Sure to delight language learners of both English and Spanish! Follow Little Red as she stands up against the Big Bully Wolf. (Grades K-6)



## Fall



### FALL 1 (Sept 23 - Nov 11)

#### CAPTAIN FRIENDSHIP

The Bully Bandit is causing trouble under the big top and it's up to Capt. Friendship to help us solve these problems with kindness. (Grades K-5)

#### FRIEND REQUEST

A series of vignettes that explore how to keep relationships positive both online and in real life. (Grades 4-8)

#### A TELL-TALE TALE: THE STORIES AND POEMS OF EDGAR ALLAN POE

Classic stories and poems from Edgar Allan Poe. Beat along with "The Tell-Tale Heart," squawk "Nevermore!" with "The Raven," and enjoy this master of the macabre. (Grades 4+)

### FALL 2 (Sept 23 - Nov 11)

#### FRANKENSTEM

It's alive! Learn all about Science, Technology, Engineering and Math to make the Doctor's latest invention come to life! (Grades K-6)

#### LADY OF BULLYBURG

Our first ever play is still relevant 20 years later! Lady Kindness is looking to save her town from a visiting bully. Learn to bring kindness to your community by learning how to help prevent bullying. (Grades PK-3)

#### MAXIMUS MARS

Bullying comes in many forms - online, in person and by text. No matter the form, bullying is never OK. Maximus Mars teaches strategies on how to combat bullying, however it presents itself. (Grades 4-8)

### FALL 3 (Sept 30 - Nov 18)

#### BULLYSAURUS REX

Bullying is as old as the jurassic age, but that doesn't mean it needs to be permanent! Join us for this dino-themed bully prevention adventure. (Grades K-5)

#### OPERATION KINDNESS:

#### A CAPT. FRIENDSHIP ADVENTURE

Captain Friendship is back with their sidekick Amazing Amigo to take on the Menace of Meanness. (Grades K-5)

#### LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

From America's first great author, Washington Irving, we follow Ichabod Crane as he becomes the schoolmaster in Sleepy Hollow, and the spooky events no one will ever forget. (Grades 4+)

### FALL 4 (Sept 30 - Nov 21)

#### TURKEY TROUBLE AT FRIENDLY ACRES FARM

Learn how you can help stop bullying in this engaging tale about a farmer and his dog trying to regain peace on the family farm. (Grades K-5)

#### DR. BESTLIFE'S RX FOR SUCCESS: HEALTHY CHOICES FOR A HAPPY LIFE

Dr. Bestlife has the perfect prescription for you to live your very best life! (Grades 4+)

#### THE WIZARD OF OZ

Dorothy, Lion, Tin Man, Scarecrow and Toto challenge the wicked witch in this classic story from L. Frank Baum. (All Ages)

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## CHEROKEE HISTORY

(Oct 21 - Dec 9)

### CHEROKEE TALES

Introduce your audience to the rich culture of the Cherokee People through this collection of Cherokee myths, legends and folktales. (Grades K-6)

### REAL-LIFE LEGENDS OF CHEROKEE HISTORY

Explore Cherokee history through real life tales of courage, conflict, and determination. (Grades 4+)



## Holiday

### HOLIDAY 1 (Nov 5-Dec 23)

#### HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD

Celebrate holidays from a wide variety of cultures with this seasonal caper. (All Ages)

#### WINTER FABLES

Classic seasonal stories from master storyteller, Aesop. (Grades K-8)

#### STONE SOUP

Three classic seasonal tales from around the world that center around the spirit of giving. (All Ages)

### HOLIDAY 2 (Nov 12 - Dec 23)

#### A DICKENS TALE

Bright Star's take on the Charles Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol." (All Ages)

#### HOLIDAY SONGS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Songs and stories come together for a magical wintertime show. (All Ages)

#### CHRISTMAS WITH SANTA

A holiday mystery must be solved when all the toys disappear! Join our elves, Bangles and Scrunchie, in a North Pole adventure. (All Ages)



### HOLIDAY 3 (Nov 19 - Dec 23)

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Celebrate holidays from a wide variety of cultures with this seasonal caper. (All Ages)

#### THE VELVETEEN RABBIT

A sentimental story about what it means to love and what it means to be real. (Grades PK-3)

#### OLD MCDONALD'S DOWN-HOME HOLIDAY

Join all the friends on the farm for a holiday hoe-down you'll never forget! (Grades PK-3)







## **Winter**



### WINTER 1 (Jan 7 - Mar 9)

#### WINTER FABLES

Classic seasonal stories from master storyteller, Aesop. (Grades K-5)

#### HEROES OF THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

Learn about Harriet Tubman, Henry "Box" Brown and other freedom fighters in this powerful production. (Grades K-5)

#### LET IT SHINE: THE AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT 1955-68

Relive the moments and meet the people that made this era of the Civil Rights Movement so impactful. (Grades 4+)

### WINTER 2 (Jan 7 - Mar 9)

#### GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER & FRIENDS

Meet some of the amazing inventors, scientists, entrepreneurs and important figures from Black History. (Grades K-5)

#### BLACK HISTORY HEROES, SOLDIERS, AND SPIES

These brave Black Americans made history in some of the most dramatic ways possible. Discover the Tuskegee Airmen, Buffalo Soldiers, Mary Elizabeth Bowser and more! (Grades 4+)

#### STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM: THE LIFE OF DR. KING

A deep look at the words and actions of one of the 20th century's most inspired leaders. (Grades 4+)

### WINTER 3 (Jan 14 - Mar 16)

#### AFRICAN FOLKTALES

A series of fun adventurous tales from the continent of Africa. (Grades PK-5)

#### JACKIE ROBINSON

This baseball legend made history with his speed and skill, but changed the world with his determination and courage as the first Black player to play in the modern major leagues. (Grades K-5)

#### FREEDOM SONGS: THE MUSIC OF BLACK HISTORY

A rich exploration of the Black experience in America through song. (Grades 4+)

### WINTER 4 (Jan 14 - Mar 16)

#### ONCE UPON A TIME: CINDERELLA AND JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

Enjoy two classic childhood stories in this interactive show as Cinderella, Jack, and Giant are brought to life. (All Ages)

#### BLACK HISTORY'S GROUNDBREAKING GENIUSES

Black History is full of amazing artists, thinkers and inventors who changed the world. Meet characters like Daniel Hale Williams, Dorothy Vaughan, Ralph Ellison and many more! (Grades K-5)

#### MEET DR. KING

An introduction to the incredible Civil Rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (Grades K-5)

### WINTER 5 (Jan 28 - Apr 1)

#### ROSA PARKS AND FRIENDS

Meet Rosa Parks and a number of other Black American heroes from abolition to the Civil Rights era. (Grades K-5)

#### BLACK HISTORY HALL OF FAME

A fast paced and fun show introducing a vast array of historical figures from Black History. (All Ages)



#### EMPOWERED, BRILLIANT & BRAVE: GREAT WOMEN OF BLACK HISTORY

Meet some of Black History's most inspiring women! (All Ages)

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# Spring

## SPRING 1 (March 3 - Apr 20)

### WE CAN DO IT

Learn about some of the most amazing female figures to ever figure out how to reconfigure the world! (All Ages)

### UPCYCLED CINDERELLA

When the performers fail to show up, the janitors take over in this hilarious fairy-tale with an eco-friendly theme. (All Ages)

### ALICE IN WONDERLAND

Lewis Carroll's classic tale comes alive with all of its absurdity and charm. (All Ages)

## SPRING 2 (Mar 10 - Apr 26)

### GUS GOES GREEN: EARTH DAY EDITION

Gus teaches students how to adapt to a changing planet and how to help keep it clean and thriving. (Grades K-5)

### THE VELVETEEN RABBIT

A sentimental story about what it means to love and what it means to be real. Grades (PK-3)

### THE LITTLE MERMAID

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen classic, an imaginative story about learning to make one's way in unfamiliar waters. (All Ages)

## SPRING 3 (Mar 24 - May 31)

### LITTLE RED AND THE BIG BULLY WOLF

Little Red just wants to get to Granny's house, but she's going to have to deal with the Big Bully Wolf first! (Grades K-5)

### DR. BESTLIFE'S RX FOR SUCCESS: HEALTHY CHOICES FOR A HAPPY LIFE

Dr. Bestlife has the perfect prescription for you to live your very best life! (Grades 4+)

### BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

The classic tale from France about Belle, a magic castle, a cursed beast, and a love that just might save them all. (All Ages)



# Summer

## SUMMER 1 "Adventure Begins at Your Library" (Jun 1 - Aug 10)

### JACK'S ADVENTURE IN SPACE

Take a wild ride through the solar system and meet all of the planets in this amazing and fun adventure! (All Ages)

### ONCE UPON A TIME: CINDERELLA AND JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

Enjoy two classic childhood stories in this interactive show as Cinderella, Jack, and Giant are brought to life. (All Ages)

### AESOP'S FABLES

Three classics from Aesop: The Boy Who Cried Wolf, The Tortoise and the Hare, and The Lion and the Mouse. (All Ages)

## SUMMER 2 (Jun 1 - Aug 10)

### JACK'S ADVENTURE IN AMERICAN HISTORY

Join Jack as he travels through time to encounter some of America's most important people and moments. (Grades K-5)

### STORYBOOK TALES

Two classic adventures in one exciting 45 minute show - Pinocchio and Robin Hood! (All Ages)

### GREECE LIGHTNING: ANCIENT OLYMPIC ADVENTURES

Zeus, Poseidon, Socrates and more! Learn all about the amazing ancient Greeks! (All Ages)

## SUMMER 3 (Jun 8 - Aug 10)

### JACK'S GREAT AMERICAN ROAD TRIP

Pack your bags and join Jack for the trip of a lifetime! (Grades K-5)

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## SUMMER 4 (Jun 8 - Aug 10)

### LEGENDS OF THE LONE STAR STATE

Put on your boots and hats and get ready to round up a wild time in the wild west. (All Ages)

### WIZARD OF OZ

Dorothy, Lion, Tin Man, Scarecrow and Toto challenge the wicked witch in this classic story from L. Frank Baum. (All Ages)

### HAPPILY EVER AFTER

Laugh out loud with some of our favorite tales from the Brothers Grimm! (All Ages)

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## Pricing

### IN-PERSON

#### SCHOOL/THEATRE RATES (STARTING AT)

\$1095 for first show

\$350 for additional shows back to back on the same day

#### LIBRARY RATES (STARTING AT)

\$595 for first show

\$350 for additional shows back to back on the same day

#### BRIGHT STAR PLUS+ Get Bright Star's VIP Experience!

\$2195 for a full day of shows, workshops and classroom visits!

Travel Fees: 150-300 miles = \$75/day, 300-450 miles = \$100/day, 450+ miles = \$125/day

### ONLINE OPTIONS

(PRICING STARTING AT)

#### SINGLE SHOW (ONE MONTH ACCESS)

\$250 for Libraries up to 5 branches

\$350 for Schools up to 20 classrooms

#### BRIGHT STAR SUPER STATION SUBSCRIPTION

\$1995 for access to ALL of our 40+ shows for one calendar year!

### CAMPS, RESIDENCIES + WORKSHOPS

Theatre is an incredible way for students to learn important skills like creativity, collaboration, communication, literacy, and more! Bright Star's theatre camps and residencies are hands-on learning experiences that change students' lives.

#### PUT THE POWER OF THEATRE INTO YOUR STUDENTS' HANDS!

#### CAMPS (STARTING AT)

\$4995 for a five-day camp for up to 25 students!

#### RESIDENCIES (STARTING AT)

\$2195 for a Bright Star PLUS single day residency

\$7995 for a five-day in-school residency

#### WORKSHOPS (ADD TO ANY SHOW!)

\$350 for a 45 minute workshop for up to 25 students!

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