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The Placer Repertory Theater School Tours Program offers two educational formats: **Productions** and **Storytellers Theater**, both employing experiential curricula and delivering 21st Century Schools skills development while bringing California recommended literature to life.

Productions

Primarily via theatrical adaptations of literature from the California Recommended Reading list, Placer Repertory Theater promotes reading by sharing works from authors like Robert Louis Stevenson, Shakespeare and Nathaniel Hawthorne.

Plays may also be based upon curricular themes or topics (local California History, the Civil War, the Suffrage Movement) or may be based upon notable figures in history, such as the writer



Langston Hughes, the Wright Brothers (inventors), Madame Curie (chemistry) or Sally Ride (astronomy/engineering).

These productions are designed to appeal to multigenerational audiences for weekend performances, while touring to Placer County schools during the week.

Each production includes a post-show Q&A and a free study-guide, as well as optional masterclasses.



STORYTELLERS THEATER

This program develops a custom storytelling performance & lesson plan based upon the storybook selected in advance by the educator.

- 1. The performers (artists/educators) read and act out the story. A story discussion is facilitated, and the lesson plan introduces key curriculum (as approved in advance by the classroom teacher);
- 2. Games and exercises provide experiential opportunities to engage students with the curriculum.
- 3. The students are then guided to adapt and perform their own version of the story to champion their unique voices, engage in creative thinking, problem solving and peer leadership, just to name a few of the skill development opportunities.

Features / Benefits -

- Experiential learning opportunities
- Exposure to and engagement in curricula and activities not offered during the school day
- 21st Century Skills introduction and development opportunities
- Development of each student's unique voice and capacity to lead and collaborate with peers and functional groups
- Exposure to and engagement with concepts and operational edicts related to diversity, inclusion, access and equity
- Exposure to and opportunity to learn from professional artists/educators with expertise and skillsets not represented during the regular school day

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Web: PlacerRep.org — Social Media: /PlacerRep

BOOKINGS: Education@PlacerRep.org

Placer Repertory Theater

Performing arts, cultural & economic enrichment for Placer County

Education Outreach

2020-2022: Approx. 2000 students served. **Types of engagement:** Outreach to K-12 schools, including underrepresented & underserved populations, Productions, Rehearsals, Visiting Artists/Educators in Schools (K-12, college), Afterschool Clubs/Orgs, Presentations & Lectures, Classes/Workshops/Training, Mentorship, Internship & Volunteer opportunities.

ANTICIPATED IMPACT 2023-2024

Goal: Reach 1000s of students through increased school participation.

For each additional \$5K toward professional Education Outreach to K-12 students, we can:

- Serve 250 to 5000 students. \$5K = 5 School Tours Productions or 10 Storytellers Theater bookings
- Perform outreach to significantly more scholastic institutions in 2023-2024
- Address 21st Century Skills development while supporting California and District curricula.
- Experiential opportunities for students with professional artists
- Economic development-more local jobs for artists, designers, technicians, and more dollars spent in local businesses on physical resources.

Awards & Testimonials

Educators: "Lovingly guides students" "Creative & Innovative" "Profound" "Transformative" "Powerful" "Highly educational" "Vibrant fusion of...scholarship & real-world experience"

Students: "The best group I've ever seen" "I've never learned so much so quickly" "The playwriting curriculum propelled my writing" "Fun, educational, and thoroughly professional"

K-12 Institutions

"A leader in fine arts education... our students gain valuable skills... [and have] benefitted from the generosity, leadership & innovation of PRT [and its] amazing arts & education programs," Dr. Andrew Giannini, Colfax Superintendent.

Colleges / Universities

"... energetic, organized and incredibly helpful sharing ... a wealth of information about ...the professional world in a way that could be understood and [applied]" Siobhan Bremer, Associate Professor, University of Minnesota, Morris

Awards & Honors-2021, 2022

- Four Broadway World Awards (7 nominations in 2021, 20 nominations in 2022)
- Gold Country Media: Best of the Best 2021, 2022
 - Best Live Theatrical Group (2021, 2022)
 - Best 'New' Business (2022)
 - Finalist: Local Hero (2022)
- Gloria Burt Sacramento Region Arts Fellowship
- Marquis' Who's Who in America (Founder)
- Arts Council Placer County Grants

And more (see News/Media web page)

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