



August 22, 2017

Dear Curriculum Coordinator or Teacher:

They're back! Bits 'N Pieces Giant Puppet Company will be back in Ocala this fall with their wonderfully fun production of "**Aesop's Dinosaur Fable**" for grades **K to 3**. This year the company will offer ten performances on stage at Ocala Civic Theatre Monday to Friday, **November 27 to December 1, 2017**. There will be 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. performances each day. A study guide that includes pre and post-show activities is available for teachers. Copies of the study guide will be sent to the school when your reservation is made.

The admission cost is \$ 6.00 per person. The cost is structured as if students are attending in groups with a limited number of adult chaperones and/or teachers. One adult will be admitted free per 10 -15 students. Additional adults and/or parents are welcome to attend, but should pay the same price as a student. All adults and students will need a seat and should be included in your reservation numbers.

Payment will need to be received on the day of the performance. **If you have students who cannot afford the cost of admission, please contact me to discuss admitting them free or at a reduced rate.** The Board of Directors of Ocala Civic Theatre is committed to making performances accessible to all students regardless of financial status.

If you have any questions or would like to reserve seats, please call the Theatre at 236-2274. To make a reservation, ask for Janice Kirk (ext. 105), Craig James (ext. 102), Kirstin Kennedy (ext. 107) or Mary Britt (ext. 104). You may also email us at jkirk@ocalacivictheatre.com. In the past, performances have filled up very quickly, so you may want to call as soon as possible. I hope you will find this beneficial to your students.

Sincerely,

Mary H. Britt
Executive Director

Aesop's Dinosaur Fable



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**Bits N
Pieces'
GIANT
Glow-in-the-
Dark
Puppets**



Aesop's Dinosaur Fable



Based on "The Ant and the Grasshopper"

It was the summer time. Carpenter Ants were busy at work building a home. A lazy Grasshopper hopped by and invited them to dance while he played his fiddle. Try as the grasshopper might, the ants would not stop working.

Aesop, the ancient Greek storyteller, watched and spoke. "Listen, Grasshopper," old Aesop said, "and I will explain to you why ants work so hard. I will tell you my oldest story...."

The Dinosaur and the Ant.

From a Florida Elementary School-

Thank you for another fabulous puppet show, Aesop's Dinosaur Fable for our student population. Egret Lake Elementary School is a Title 1 school where 96 percent of our students are eligible for free or reduced lunch. We have been an "A" school for 14 years and we feel that these arts integration experiences improve our students' literacy.

Your productions always teach while they entertain our students. Your theme of preparing today for a better tomorrow and importance of getting an education struck a home run with both the students and teachers. Every production we have seen at Egret Lake has been used as a springboard for both writing within the core classrooms as well as within the arts rooms. Character analysis, explaining favorite parts of the production and reflecting on the different parts of the show always helps to improve literacy.

All of our students were captivated from the opening music to your wave goodbye.

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