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# THE GRAND THEATRE PRESENTS

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- Cost is \$8 plus applicable taxes per student with one complimentary adult ticket for every 20 student tickets purchased, plus handling fees
- All programs run approximately 1 hour without intermission
- For more information or to book a performance, contact us at 613-530-2050 or [grandtheatre2@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:grandtheatre2@cityofkingston.ca)



## CHI OF SHAOLIN: THE TALE OF THE DRAGON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2011, 10:30AM

**Grade 5 to Grade 10**

Enlighten your students with the chance to see breathtaking Chinese acrobats, theatre and music in Chi of Shaolin: The Tale of the Dragon. Students will experience a dazzling journey of acrobatics, modern and traditional dance, and displays of the legendary Gung Fu and Wushu Martial Arts of the Shaolin Monks. Through this theatrical experience, students will gain a stronger understanding of the culture and artistic traditions of China.

## SHAPE OF A GIRL TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2011, 10:30AM, 1:00PM

**Grade 6 to Grade 12**

Shape of a Girl is a highly accessible show for teens that looks at the realities of teenage relationships and bullying.

The play follows Braidie, a girl in grade 10, who is fascinated by the news coverage of a murder trial involving a group of teenage girls who have attacked one of their peers. As the story unfolds in the news, Braidie begins to realize that there is a parallel between the headlines and the emotional bullying that she and her friends have been participating in since grade 2. Having come to this realization, and knowing that the bullying could escalate Braidie must confront her friends and stop the victimization of her classmate.

*"The Shape of a Girl is a must-see for teens or anyone living or working with them. It accurately captures the thoughts, struggles and emotions that our youth face on a daily basis and presents these in an entertaining, yet thought-provoking manner" – Ann Dusterbeck, Boys and Girls Club Community Services*





## GOODNIGHT MOON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2011, 10:30AM

**Kindergarten to Grade 3**

Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia beautifully animates the classic tales of Goodnight Moon and The Runaway Bunny with their simplistic and charming puppetry. Using rod and table top puppets, Goodnight Moon follows a young rabbit as he goes through a bedtime ritual of saying goodnight to every object in sight and in his imagination. Founded in 1972, Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia is among Canada's most respected creators of theatre for children. Their whimsical performance this season is sure to capture the imaginations of your students.

*"This is everything family theatre should be" – Winnipeg Free Press*

## YAMATO WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2011, 10:30AM

**Grade 2 to Grade 8**

Introduce students to world music with Yamato's wildly energetic Japanese taiko drum show! The ensemble blends theatre and musical arts into a performance of tightly synchronized percussion and expressive solos. Yamato performs with traditional instruments including the bamboo flute, koto and shamisen. Students will experience the Japanese tradition of drumming first hand with this loud and entertaining performance.



## THE NUTCRACKER MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2011, 10:30AM

**Kindergarten to Grade 12**

After a sold-out school performance last season, the State Ballet Theatre of Russia is back to perform the holiday classic, The Nutcracker. This traditional interpretation of The Nutcracker is a fantastic opportunity for students to experience first-hand a production of great proportions. With gorgeous sets and costumes, and dancers of the highest caliber, this show is sure to inspire students. After the production audience members will have the opportunity to meet the performers and see their elaborate costumes up-close. Don't wait to book tickets for this year's performance; seats are limited!

*Hailed by the New York Times as a production "...full of enchantment" with "lovely scenery" and "graceful costumes" – New York Times, 2007*

## JASON & THE ARGONAUTS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2012, 10:30AM

**Grade 4 to Grade 8**

Visible Fictions of Scotland takes the Greek mythology tale of Jason & the Argonauts and updates it in a quirky and fun way. The story follows the hero Jason as he returns to claim his rightful throne from his evil Uncle Pelias. On a voyage to the other side of the world Jason and his crew must overcome a few run-ins with monsters, a sleeping dragon and many more. With only two actors and a cast of action figures, this performance challenges traditional ideas about theatre and completely turns it upside down. The minimalistic style manages to capture audience imaginations and enforce the themes of betrayal, courage, personal growth and independence.

*"Just two actors and slightly over an hour, Glasgow's Visible Fictions manages to deliver a fast, funny, and tight re-telling of the story of Greek hero Jason and his search for the Golden Fleece" – CBC Winnipeg*



## Partner up with the Grand for Dance!

Exploring dance with your students? Let the Grand be your dance partner! We are pleased to offer dance resources and programming options for all ages and ability levels, including educational performances, student talk backs, master classes, and interactive classroom modules led by our educators. Let us show you how pointe shoes are made; the magic behind costuming and stage effects; how choreographers create dances for performances; the physics and anatomy behind movement; or what dances are like in cultures across the world. Complement your interactive experiences with the Grand's free on-line dance resources, designed to assist your delivery of the provincial dance curriculum. For more information please contact [education@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:education@cityofkingston.ca), 613-546-4291 ext.1154.

**NEW!**



## BLACK VIOLIN

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2012, 10:30AM, 1:00PM

Grade 4 to Grade 12

Black Violin is a cool combination of classical and hip-hop music created by Kev Marcus, Wil B and their DJ TK. When given the opportunity to attend the Dillard Performing Arts School in NYC, Kev and Wil chose strings over the streets and began the path towards amazing careers as classical musicians. But their careers didn't stop at perfecting the classical repertoire; they have been called "Apollo Legends" and have toured with Alicia Keyes, P Diddy, and Akon. The show is perfect for students as it uses funky songs with a great message to expose young people to the arts in a hip and accessible way.

## BBOYZIM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2012, 10:30AM

Grade 7 to Grade 12

Even with their extraordinary street dance moves, Bboyizm stands by their motto, "Dance to express! Not to impress". With performers named Melly Mel, Crazy Smooth, and Chilly, Bboyizm epitomizes this cool form of dancing to a tee. Through street dancing the company promotes the ideals of individualism, respect and creativity both in dance and in everyday life. Students will have the opportunity to experience their amazing moves and heavy beats while embracing their values outside of the dancing realm.



## THÉÂTRE TOUT À TRAC PRESENTS ALICE IN WONDERLAND

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012, 10:30AM

Kindergarten to Grade 4

A tardy rabbit... An egg on a wall that fears his fall... A grinning cat... A Mad Hatter that sips his tea... And a young girl who refuses to do her homework... Alice in Wonderland revisited by Théâtre Tout à Trac is a marvelous tribute to childhood, the power of dreams and imagination. This charming production is a great interpretation of the classic Lewis Carroll tale.

## THE STEPCREW FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2012, 10:30AM

Grade 7 to Grade 12

Combining three styles of percussive dance – Irish, Tap and Ottawa Valley – The StepCrew is a dynamic dancing powerhouse. The company comprises of six virtuoso dancers, five musicians and one powerful Scottish vocalist, and when onstage the group they create a vibrant show to enthrall students. The StepCrew takes traditional forms of music and dance and fuses them with a modern twist; giving students the opportunity to see the value and importance of past artistic practices in today's evolving society.

*"The StepCrew does not simply draw their audience in, they take them by the hand and remind us what dance is meant to be about – fun!"*  
- Paddy Moloney of The Chieftains



## Grand Theatre Educational Resources

The Grand Theatre is developing curriculum-linked resource materials that are accessible to students and educators to expand their experience at the Grand Theatre. These resources will help integrate the performance into the classroom by preparing students for each performance through relevant connections with in-class learning.

Check out our downloadable guides by following the QR code on the front of our poster or [kingstongrand.ca/education](http://kingstongrand.ca/education)

PLUS!

## Master Classes

The Grand Theatre offers dancers and musicians in the community the opportunity to learn from renowned performers as part of an on-going Master Class series. Held either at the Grand Theatre or in partnership with a local studio, these Master Classes are free of charge with the proof of ticket purchase to the relevant performance or at a cost of \$5.00 for general admission. Enjoy this chance to learn from the top professionals in their field!

### 2011-2012 Master classes

- James Ehnes – Violin Master Class
- SFJazz Collective – Jazz Improvisation Master Class
- Montreal Guitar Trio and California Guitar Trio – Guitar Master Class
- Toronto Dance Theatre – Dance Master Class
- Gallim Dance – Dance Master Class
- La La La Human Steps – Dance Master Class
- Compagnie Käfig – Dance Master Class
- Marie-Josée Lord – Vocal Master Class
- India Jazz Suites – Dance Master Class
- Arturo Sandoval – Trumpet Master Class

## Talk Backs

Take time to learn more about the performances! After many of the Grand Theatre's shows, stay in your seat and participate in an open discussion with the artists and directors as they explain their craft, explore their inspirations and offer their interpretation of the performance. Talk Backs encourage questions and audience members can freely ask about different aspects of the show during these moderated sessions.

## Student Subscriptions

Children and full-time students with valid student ID receive up to 20 per cent off subscriptions and "Grand Theatre Presents" single tickets. Please contact the Grand Theatre Box Office for subscription prices. All subscription forms must include a photocopy of your valid student ID.

## Student Rush

Student rush tickets are available to all full-time students with valid student ID cards. Students receive up to 50% off all student rush "Grand Theatre Presents" performances (some restrictions apply). Present your valid student ID the day of the performance at the Box Office to purchase your ticket. Please note: One ticket per valid student ID. Offer does not include rental performances.

# eyeGO to the Arts

eyeGO to the Arts is a popular program implemented in communities across Canada and is now offered here in the City of Kingston. High school students can take advantage of discounted tickets on a variety of live performances at the Grand Theatre.

## It's easy to use eyeGO to the Arts program:

1. Visit [kingstongrand.ca](http://kingstongrand.ca) to see what is playing at the theatre
2. Pick a show
3. Go to the Box Office at the Grand Theatre
4. Present a current student card and ask for eyeGO to the Arts tickets
5. Pay only \$5.00
6. Enjoy the show!

**eyeGO.org**

TICKETS ARE  
ONLY \$5.00!

Some restrictions may apply.

**WOW!**

Programs Offered Year Round

# MacLachlan

## WOODWORKING MUSEUM

Hands-on History at Grass Creek Park!  
2993 Highway 2 East (15km east of Kingston) K7L 4V1  
613-542-0543

[www.woodworkingmuseum.ca](http://www.woodworkingmuseum.ca)  
[mwmuseum@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:mwmuseum@cityofkingston.ca)

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- Open September to June for school programs, July to August for camp programs
- Cost is \$3.50 per participant. Teachers and supervisors are free
- All programs are a minimum of 75 minutes in length
- All programs are appropriate for students in Kindergarten to Grade 8
- For more information or to book a tour, call 613-546 4291 ext. 1154 or contact us at [education@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:education@cityofkingston.ca)

Discover the many education programs offered at the MacLachlan Woodworking Museum. Educators can select from different curriculum linked programs which either introduce your students to the subject or complement material already covered in class. Hands-on experiential learning is included in each program, all of which meet the Ministry of Ontario Curriculum standards.

**Programs offered year round. View which programs are currently offered online at [www.woodworkingmuseum.ca](http://www.woodworkingmuseum.ca)**

Programs offered May – August

# Pump House

## STEAM MUSEUM

Discover Kingston's first water pumping station!  
23 Ontario St, Kingston, ON K7L 2Y2  
September – April: 613-546-4291 ext. 1339  
May – August: 613-546-4291 ext. 1666  
[www.steammuseum.ca](http://www.steammuseum.ca)  
[pshmuseum@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:pshmuseum@cityofkingston.ca)

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Book your tour at the Pump House Steam Museum for interactive curriculum based programming. Education tours are designed to work within the complement of the subject matter of Ontario Ministry of Education's Science and Technology. Each program offers an opportunity to explore and discover outside the classroom setting.

**Programs offered May –August 2011. View which programs are currently offered online at [www.steammuseum.ca](http://www.steammuseum.ca)**

## Family Fun at the Kingston Jazz Festival, June 23-25

There is plenty of culture, creativity and learning to experience this summer! In conjunction with the Kingston Jazz Society and the Kingston Arts Council, The Grand Theatre is hosting the Kingston Jazz Festival this June 23 – 25. Enjoy a series of free neighbourhood jazz performances with the Kingston Arts Council's Porch Jazz from 12pm – 3pm on Saturday, June 25th. Afterwards, bring your family to a free jazz concert at Confederation Park from 3pm – 6pm. For more information visit [kingstongrand.ca](http://kingstongrand.ca) or [artskingston.ca](http://artskingston.ca).

## See "The Skittish Play" on Canada Day, July 1st

Come and celebrate Canada Day at the MacLachlan Woodworking Museum with a performance by the Barefoot Players of "The Skittish Play", based on Shakespeare's Macbeth. Show times are at 1pm and 2:30pm. Arrive early and make a craft. While you're at the museum come and enjoy the grounds at Grass Creek Park with family oriented activities, beach volleyball and more. Free of charge.

## Tours offered year round

# KINGSTON CITY HALL TOURS

216 Ontario Street, Kingston, ON K7L 2Z3  
613-546-4291 ext. 1520  
[www.cityofkingston.ca](http://www.cityofkingston.ca)  
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- Open year round for school tours
- Free of charge (donations are gratefully accepted to support the volunteer-led school tour program)
- Tours are approximately 45 minutes in length
- Tours are appropriate for students aged 8 and up
- Maximum of 30 students per tour. For every 10 children there must be one adult supervisor
- For more information or to book a tour, call 613-546 4291 X 1520 (Please note: a minimum of two week's notice is required)

Kingston City Hall, National Historic Site, was built in the 1840's when Kingston was the first Capital of Canada. As the centre for local governance, City Hall is a vibrant municipal government building housing City Council and City staff. Filled with educational treasures and artifacts, the City Hall tour is uplifting and informative, and will build historical awareness and civic pride. Tours focus on local government, local politicians, Canada's first Prime Minister Sir John A. Macdonald, architecture, history and civics.

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