

Gems: The World's Wisdom Stories

Thursday, April 28, 2022



**Sampson
CenterStage**
PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

Grade Level: **Time:**

1st Grade **10:00 am**
2nd Grade **1:00 pm**

Doug Berky uses classic styles of storytelling from many cultures around the world by weaving together many art forms into a full stage, large mask theater production with clever and creative costuming. Masks, puppets, mime, drama, comedy, music and storytelling are integral elements that help the audience experience these treasures of wisdom that teach us to understand and trust one another.



In his performance of GEMS, Doug presents a variety of stories, drawing on classic collections such as “Aesop’s Fables” from Greece and stories of Hans Christian Andersen from Denmark, which have inspired and educated the world’s young people for years. Doug also includes stories from lesser known collections of folklore and mythology from Asian, African, Middle Eastern and Native American cultures.

A performance might include a selection from the following stories: The Lion and the Mouse; The Boy Who Cried Wolf (Aesop’s); The Drip Nose Boy (Native American); The Lame Man and the Blind Man (Middle East); The Tiger’s Whisker (Korea); The Crocodile and the Monkey (India)



Curriculum Connections: Art, History, Literature, Visual & Performing Arts, & Communication Skills

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Produced by: Doug Berky
Performance Length: 50 Minutes with Q&A
Suggested Grade Levels: (1-8)
Teacher Guide Available: YES
Student Study Guide Available: YES
Artist Website: www.dougberkytheatre.com
Video Link: <https://youtu.be/iuvqz6m72M?list=PL5E604D0E0B935DE3>