



Backstage Pass

Alaska Junior Theater Newsletter

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Kicking Off the 2018-2019 "Season of Favorites"

All of us at Alaska Junior Theater think the best way to get the season started is with a party. So, please join us as we thank our volunteers and kick off the season on September 26th from 4pm to 7pm in our downtown office (430 W. 7th Ave. Suite 30). Free Parking available to the East of the building in the one-hour parking spots.

The Volunteer Appreciation Party is free and it is sure to be a blast. Every room in the office will be decorated to capture the look and feel of one of our "Season of Favorites" performances.

Feel free to come dressed to fit in with the show you are most excited about!

Black Violin

Music
#Selfi Station
Violins



Air Play

Umbrellas
Balloons
Juggling



Stone Soup and Other Stories

Stone Soup and all the Fixings
Stories



Moon Mouse: A Space Odyssey

Black Lights
Rocket Ship



Emily Brown and the Thing

Night Time Wonderland
Bedtime Stories
Milk and Cookies



The Boom is Coming. Are You Ready?



Wil B. and Kev are ready for their third trip to Anchorage with AJT. They even dropped a brand new song and music video. The song **Dreamer** is awesome. It features Wil B. spending more time behind the mic than his viola. This means you get to hear more of **Black Violin's** inspirational message directly from them - not featured vocalists. You can find the **new music video on akjt.org**.

Wil and Kev will be guests on KTVA 11 Daybreak and 92.9 KFAT. Follow us on Facebook to find out when to tune in!

The countdown to the Classical Boom has begun!

PUBLIC SHOWS
TICKETS ON SALE NOW
November 1 & 2, 2018
7:30 PM

SCHOOL SHOWS
SOLD OUT

Hello Teachers,

Welcome to the new season everyone! Registration deadline was September 10th. This DOES NOT mean you can't still register. It is simply the date I start to gather the registrations I have received and designate specific dates and times for those classes. Many of our shows are selling very fast, and Black Violin is SOLD OUT, so if you are interested in seeing an AJT show this season and have not signed up yet, I strongly urge you to do so soon. When you do register for a show, remember, you must have a principal's signature, and I encourage you to pay a deposit. Those who pay a deposit will get priority seating and a free ticket. Be very specific about the dates and times you can and cannot attend when you are filling out your registration form. It will help so much when I build the seating schedule!

Some helpful tips and things to remember:

Try to register with other teachers in your school to help ensure a ride to the theater (if you are within ASD limits and not a walking school). Busing is not a guarantee! You must fulfill the seat requirements found on our Website and registration form. Make a note of your numbers and those of the teachers scheduled to go with you. If the total number is over or under the busing limit, be prepared to have parents drive, coordinate a ride to the theater or pay for a bus.

The days and times you request are not guaranteed.

READ ALL CONFIRMATIONS CAREFULLY!

If you send a registration form and do not receive an email confirmation within 48 hours, that means I did not receive the form.

All shows will be scheduled at least five weeks before the show date. If you have not received your scheduled date and time by then, promptly contact me.

Never hesitate to call and chat with me (272-7546) or email me (education@akjt.org) with ANY question big or small. I'm always happy to help and love getting the chance to know my teachers (and A/A's) better!

Kind Regards,
Elizabeth Serrano
Education Associate



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100+ Year Old Baby Grand Piano for Sale!



Grand Piano with walnut finish manufactured by W.W. Kimball Co. (NY) for Whitney Co. (Chicago) and piano bench.

Proceeds go toward scholarship admissions for low-income students!

Call the AJT office at 272-7546 for more details!



Something for Everyone

Preview Shows at akjt.org

Great for Younger Audiences

Stone Soup and other stories

The always engaging, and one of AJT's very favorite theatre companies, Pushcart Players returns with *Stone Soup and Other Stories*. This charming, well-seasoned blend of carefully selected stories will delight audiences of all ages.



SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

Recommended grades: Pre K - 4
February 4 - 8, 2019
10:00 AM & 11:45 AM

PUBLIC PERFORMANCE

Great for ages 5 and up!
February 9, 2019
2:00 PM

EMILY BROWN and the THING



Tall Stories Theatre Company returns to bring a favorite children's character to life: *Emily Brown and the Thing*. Emily Brown leaps from the pages of her beloved children's series to help a new friend. AJT will have a pre-show Pajama Party, so join us early for some fun. PJ's are encouraged.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

Recommended grades: Pre K - 4
April 22 - 26, 2019
10:00 AM & 11:45 AM

PUBLIC PERFORMANCE

Great for ages 5 and up!
April 26, 2019
7:30 PM

Great for All Audiences

AirPlay

Watch flying umbrellas, larger-than-life balloons, kites that float over the audience, and the biggest snow globe you've ever seen. You will gasp in wonder and laugh until it hurts. *Air Play* is a visual poem to childhood, to the rite of passage in growing up while continuing to look at the world in childlike wonder.



SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

Recommended grades: K-12
November 28 - 30, 2018
10:00 AM & 11:45 AM

PUBLIC PERFORMANCE

Great for ages 5 and up!
December 1, 2018
7:30 PM

MOON MOUSE A SPACE ODYSSEY

Marvin the Mouse wants to be popular. Constantly bullied by the "cool" rats, Marvin retreats into his science books and a world of fantasy. He embarks on a space adventure to the moon on his homemade rocket where he meets many misfit creatures, learns of infinite peril and learns to be a Hero.



SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

Recommended grades: 1-6
March 19 - 22, 2019
10:00 AM & 11:45 AM

PUBLIC PERFORMANCE

Great for ages 6 and up!
March 22, 2019
7:30 PM



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"We are a Title I school, and it is nearly impossible to bring our kids to performances due to lack of funds. It is wonderful that we were provided with a bus!"
- Kindergarten teacher, North Star Elementary.

Kids attending Alaska's Title I schools - schools where the majority of the students come from low-income homes - have very few opportunities to experience the arts. High quality, professional shows like those that Alaska Junior Theater presents are meant for all kids to see. That's why we keep our ticket price at only \$8, which includes a seat in the theater and on the bus. More than 40,000 seats are filled by kids every season - and at least 1,800 of them are awarded scholarships - thanks to donors like **Wells Fargo - and YOU!**



Season Subscribers

Get to **Pick the Best Seats** in the house and **Save 20%** on your tickets. Pick your Favorite 3 to 5 shows and save your seats today.

AJT's "Season of Favorites" also includes:

AirPlay **Stone Soup**
and other stories

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What is the best way to see an AJT performance?

Through the eyes of the children!

Join us by ushering for one or more of our performances and experience the thrill of children experiencing live theatre for the first time!

Join the AJT Family
We could use the help!

1. Make a Donation
2. Office Support
3. Benefit/Auction
4. Poster Distribution
5. Show Day Usher

