

Bainbridge Performing Arts 2010-2011 Season

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Jewel Box Theatre and Bainbridge Performing Arts (BPA) Launch New Theatre School Now Registering for Fall Classes, 1st – 8th Grades

The Jewel Box Theatre and Bainbridge Performing Arts will join educational and creative forces to launch a new collaborative theatre school venture in Poulsbo this fall. The Jewel Box and BPA Theatre School collaboration will offer classes to 1st – 4th graders, who will produce and present *The Jungle Book*, as well as to 5th – 8th graders, who will produce and present *The Adventures of Pinocchio*.

Both productions have been adapted by BPA Artistic Director Steven Fogell. Deep in the jungle live all kinds of wild animals, but none are as wild as the human child Mowgli. Lions, tigers, and bears are included in *The Jungle Book*, which is based on the original story by Rudyard Kipling. *The Adventures of Pinocchio* tells the beloved tale of a wooden boy and his wild adventures that start with meeting the magical blue fairy and eventually land him in the belly of a whale. Based on the original story by Carlo Collodi, and presented in Commedia Del' Arte style, this high-energy production will take actors and audiences on the adventure of a lifetime.

All classes and performances will be at the Jewel Box Theatre at 225 Iverson Street in Poulsbo. The 1st – 4th grade production class will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays, September 13 to October 20, from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. A final performance is set for Sunday, October 24 at 3:00 p.m. Tuition for the class is \$150. The 5th – 8th grade production class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 14 to October 21 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. A final performance is scheduled for Sunday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m. Tuition for the class is \$250. Scholarships are available.

The Jewel Box and BPA Theatre School classes will use the magic of live theatre to focus on building confidence, improving group skills, and instilling a love of the arts. For more information about classes or scholarships, contact Steven Fogell at 206.842.1163 or sfogell@bainbridgeperformingarts.org. Additional information is also available online at www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org or www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.

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Find out more about BPA at www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org. Check online for the latest on theatre and symphony auditions, complete theatre school and adult class offerings, performance listings, tickets, cast lists, video promos, posters, press, and more. Click on “Join Mailing List” to receive electronic performance announcements and behind-the-scenes news.

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