



Why bring our theatre in to your schools?

With our "environmental participation" that we teach the audience, they become the environment in which we perform. By repeating the movements and sounds throughout the play students build confidence and involve themselves mentally, emotionally, and physically in our shows. Students learn conflict resolution, tolerance, and empathy by watching characters relate to each other as they express emotions.

Theatre is **READING**. Understanding inflection and vocal sounds leads to better fluency! Try it!

Our goals include: production of plays of varied styles, content and cultural orientation as an introduction to theatre; to make tangible the assumption that all cultures share similar formative stories; to fulfill esteem needs by letting young audiences experience the best productions; to propose that if the young are exposed to quality theatre today, they will be among the adult audiences of tomorrow.



Bring us to your group today!

For a list of pricing options visit our website at www.rags-to-riches.org.

Our shows are designed to be 40 minutes and will support literacy during your Media Rotations for one or more grade levels. Ask about special discounts for area schools.

Rags To Riches theatre for young audiences

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PRESENTING

RAGS TO RICHES THEATRE FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES BASED IN DURHAM, NC!

WE ARE A PROFESSIONAL NON-PROFIT TOURING THEATRE COMPANY THAT HAS BEEN PERFORMING UP AND DOWN THE EAST COAST FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART SINCE 1993!



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WHO ARE WE?

Rags To Riches productions are written and directed by Lou Peters. The costumes are designed by Melody Peters. The set is designed by Michael Linteau. This show is designed as a touring production that will play in almost any facility. The cast is made up of Melody and Lou Peters who have been professional actors for over 20 years and founded the company in 1993. Lou holds a Master of Fine Arts Degree in Child Drama from UNC-G and Melody holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Acting from UNC-G.

Rags To Riches has performed and developed creative drama residencies for Durham County, Orange County, Wake County, Lee County and Buncombe County, and Caswell County, North Carolina schools. Rags To Riches also used drama in the classroom to support writing development for Orange County schools, NC.

Rags To Riches was commissioned to write and tour, The Garden Prince for the North Carolina Museum of Art outreach tour in 2008, Cinderella on the Nile for the North Carolina Museum of Art outreach tour in 2007, Puss in Boots for the North Carolina Museum of Art outreach tour in 2004. Rags To Riches featured Caught in the Web at SETC's invitational children's theatre festival in 2001.

In July of 2005, Rags To Riches received the Delaware Division of Arts Project Support Grant and was selected by the Delaware Department of State and the Division of Libraries to perform in every library in the State of Delaware for the Summer Reading Program.



HOW TO BOOK A SHOW!

Call or text Melody Peters at 919-423-8696 or email her. We schedule as far out as a year in advance, but we always have openings in our schedule. Find your best day and send first, second, and third choices. We are also listed in the Artist Directory of the Durham Arts Council as well as the United Arts Council in Wake County. We support literacy so it is always helpful to see if your Media Specialist will help coordinate your program or your arts teacher. View a sample of our program here:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_zG-



TESTIMONIALS FROM FANS!

"Rags To Riches is a great company that really knows how to provide educational and fun programs that are simple to set up and economical." Melissa Chitti, Media coordinator at Glenn Elementary in Durham, NC.

"Coming to a performance like this could ignite something in them that sitting in a classroom learning math and language arts just won't do. With this, we're able to reach students in another way." Erin

Robbins, Principal
Tar River
Elementary



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