

THE PUPPETRY LOG

COLUMBUS PUPPETRY GUILD

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The Columbus Puppetry Guild is chartered by the Puppeteers of America, Inc.

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Next Events:

March 25 (4th Sunday) 2-4:30 pm
****WORTHINGTON LIBRARY ****
820 High St, Worthington, OH 43085
(614) 807-2620
Assembling marionettes

April 22 (4th Sunday)
Either Richard's Marionette in Pataskala or
WORTHINGTON LIBRARY, TBA
Assembling marionettes

May 6 (1st Sunday) 2- 4:30 pm.
WHETSTONE LIBRARY. See
"BEING ELMO: A Puppeteer's Journey"

Columbus Puppetry Guild Meeting Notes.

February 19, 2012

Submitted by Julia

Attendance: Julia, Nicole, Maddie, Journey,
Janice, Michelle, Maddie, Connie, Richard,
Mike, Candace, Rob, Quinn, Roger

Books

Janice shared picture book Balloons Over Broadway by Melissa Sweet. About the life of famous puppeteer Tony Sarg (1880-1942).

Candace recommended Introduction to Making Cloth Dolls by Jan Horrox. Introduces three 16- to 18-inch designer dolls. General how-to instructions, crafting of two different types of hands and faces, well illustrated with color photographs. Eight pages of templates. Could be useful in the crafting of marionettes.

Demo and Activities:

- Alumilite Casting - cast heads out of Alumilite
- or -
- Foam Puppet making – formed foam to make shark puppets

Information

Mike is planning to have a puppet slam at his studio on Sinclair Ave. just south of Lincoln – 15 minute acts. Date TBA.

Tyler from Costume Specialists, near downtown, came to the meeting and has experience in forming foam and alumilite.

Meeting in March will be at the Worthington Library on March 25 due to scheduling problem. Bring hammer.

Meeting for April may be at Richard's shop in Pataskala. Work on marionettes.

**** Mark Your Calendars ****

CATCO's 2012-13 Season

Avenue Q

Music by Robert Lopez and Jeff Marx
Lyrics by Robert Lopez and Jeff Marx
Book by Jeff Whitty
Aug. 1-19, 2012
Studio One, Riffe Center

The puppets are coming but they aren't from *Sesame Street*. These bad boys and girls –plus one monster named Trekkie – share a coming-of-age parable, addressing and satirizing the issues and anxieties associated with entering adulthood. Its clever score includes, *If You Were Gay*, *It Sucks to be Me*, and *Everybody's a Little Bit Racist*. Not for children.

Broadway in Columbus Series

War Horse

April 23-28, 2013
Ohio Theatre

War Horse won five Tony Awards in 2011, including best play. It tells the inspiring story of a young Englishman's efforts to train and later find and save his beloved horse amid the carnage of World War I. Includes life size horse puppets created by South Africa's Handspring **Puppet** Company. Adapted from Michael Morpurgo's best-selling 1982 children's novel. Tells the same tale as Steven Spielberg's Oscar-nominated film. The play weaves puppetry, live actors, music and cinematic projections.

PuppetFest MidWest, July 10 -15, 2012

The 10th Annual PuppetFest MidWest will be held in Trenton,. Check www.puppetfestival.org for workshops, registration form, room and board to have an inspiring puppet time in the wilds of Missouri this summer.

**The Phoenix Theatre for Children
2012-2013 Season**

Boats

By Finnegan Kruckemeyer
Performed by Terrapin Puppet Theatre
May 3-12, 2013
Studio One Theatre, Vern Riffe Center

*Produced in Association with The Wexner
Center for the Arts*

Terrapin Puppet Theatre has entertained Tasmanian, Australian and international audiences for 30 years. *Boats* is a moving story, which ultimately tells the story and adventures of Nic and Jof. The play is enacted with puppets, acrobatics and sound effects created on stage with two microphones, one of which goes in water. *Boats* utilizes physical theatre, object manipulation, story telling, and wonderful puppetry that has made Terrapin famous locally, nationally and internationally.

Great Lakes
Regional Festival
June 27-30, 2012

Mike's Marionette

