

NH SHOWCASE OF EDUCATIONAL PERFORMERS 2013 2014 DIRECTORY

Recommended School Assembly
Performing Artist Guide

Includes calendar planning ideas

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From the editor...

Thanks for taking the time to review this booklet representing professional, educational performing artists and companies that tour schools and other venues throughout our area.

Please check out websites for references, videos, more photos, etc. Call and ask your questions, arrange to see their presentations, and put us all to work energizing, educating, and entertaining our young audiences.

Contact me with any feedback about the performing artists in this booklet. Also, let me know of any unrepresented artists you would recommend to parents and educators. I could invite them to participate in future mailings.

Sincerely,

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Suggested School Year Assembly Occasions:

Sept:	Baby Safety Month Library Card Sign-Up Month National Food Safety Education Month National Childhood Injury Prevention Week Labor Day International Literacy Day	Grandparents Day 911 Day Hispanic Heritage Month Rosh Hashanah America's Safe Schools Week
Oct:	Crime Prevention Month National Book Month Diversity Awareness Month Polish American Heritage Mo. Domestic Violence Awareness Month Yom Kippur National School Lunch Week Fire Prevention Week Eye Care Awareness Week	Family Health Month Character Counts Week Teen Read Week National School Bus Safety Week World Food Day Red Ribbon Week Make A Difference Day Halloween
Nov:	Safe Toys and Gifts Month Red Ribbon Month Drunk & Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month Nat'l American Indian Heritage Month American Education Week Children's Book Week	National Educational Support Personnel Day Great American Smokeout National Family Volunteer Day Youth Appreciation Week Thanksgiving Veteran's Day
Dec:	Hanukkah Christmas	
Jan:	New Year's Day Chinese New Year Martin Luther King Birthday	
Feb:	America Heart Month Groundhog Day African American History Month	Valentine's Day President's Day
March:	American Red Cross Month Irish American Heritage Month Women's History Month	International Women's Day St. Patrick's Day
April:	Health Awareness Month Oral Health Month April Fool's Day	Easter Earth Day
May:	Bicycle Safety Month Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Anti Tobacco Campaign Month Correct Posture Month School Principals Day National Charter Schools Week Public Service Recognition Week Be Kind to Animals Week Cinco De Mayo National SAFE Kids Week Nurses Day	Nurses Week Teacher Appreciation Week National Pet Week Teacher Appreciation Day School Nurse Day Child Care Provider Day International Nurses Day Mother's Day National Police Week National Safe Boating Week Memorial Day World No Tobacco Day
June:	National Safety Month Great Outdoors Month National Youth Month	World Environment Day Flag Day Father's Day



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Becky Graber



Becky Graber has been telling stories, teaching storytelling, and leading people of all ages in song forever! She is skilled with young children and offers a special repertoire of “join-along stories” for Preschool – Grade 2. Becky’s elementary school storytelling performances and residencies are perfect for school-wide literacy celebrations, family nights, or summertime library programs, with funding available through both the NH and Vermont Touring Arts programs.

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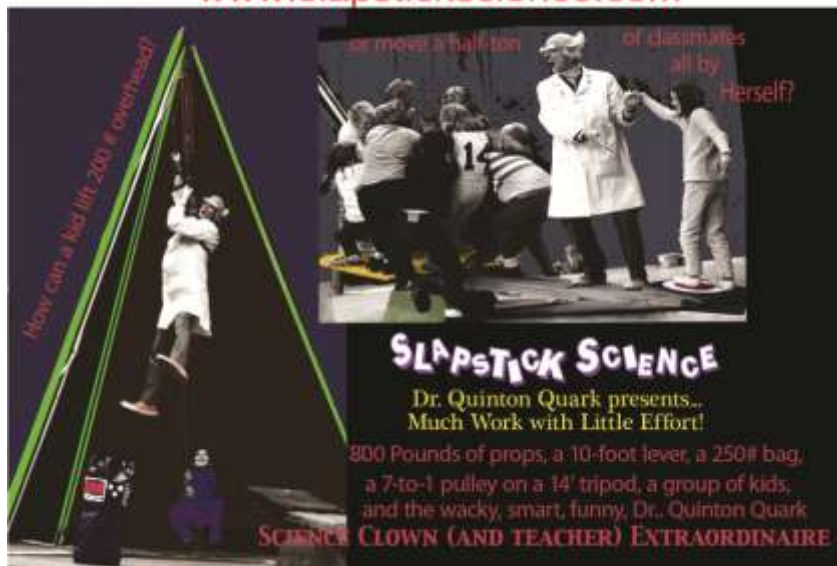
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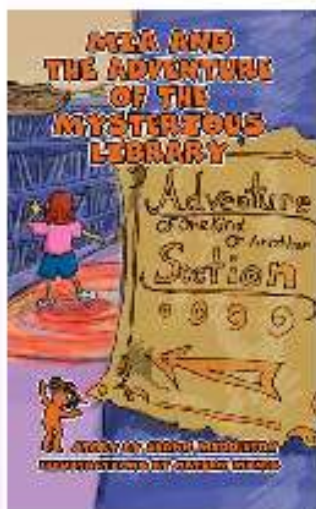
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March 5	Let's Go Science Show	Gr. 2 – 5
March 8	How I Became a Pirate	Gr. 1 – 3
March 13	Sleeping Beauty	Gr. 1 – 4
Mar. 26	Life Cycle of the Butterfly	Gr. K – 3
April 9 & 10	The Giver by Lois Lowery	Gr. 5 – 8
May 23	Charlotte's Web	Gr. 2 – 4
May 30	Tom Chapin & Friends	Gr. PK – 3
June 3	Click, Clack Moo	Gr. K - 3



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Linda Peck,

artist / educator / performer presents a kinesthetic approach to curriculum through her programs combining movement with academics. Linda's programs below support the NH Frameworks for Physical Education, Dance, Music, Theatre, Literature, History, Humanities and Social Studies. Linda also does staff development for programs 1 and 2 below.



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http://www.lindapec7.com/Moving_Through_Words_and_Pictures_Video.html

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