ON STAGE FOR YOUTH 2019-20

**The Magic School Bus: Lost in the Solar System**

**Wednesday, Jan. 22**
**Thursday, Jan. 23**
**10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.**

When the class gets lost on the way to the planetarium, Ms. Frizzle saves the day by blasting into outer space for an epic interplanetary field trip! But when rivalries both old and new threaten to tear the students apart, our young heroes must learn to pull together or risk getting forever lost in the solar system. Hop on the Magic School Bus for a ride in this new musical adaptation based on the original book series published by Scholastic.

Approximate Running Time: **60 Minutes**

Recommended Ages: Grades K through 5

Curriculum Connections: Science, Communication and Language Arts, Music, Social Studies

**Dog Man: The Musical**

**Tuesday, Jan. 29**
**10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.**

Dog Man: The Musical is a hilarious new production based on the worldwide bestselling series from Dav Pilkey, the creator of Captain Underpants. Best buds George and Harold have been creating comics for years, but now that they’re in 5th grade, they figure it’s time to level up and write a musical based on their favorite character, Dog Man, the crime-biting sensation who is part dog, part man, and ALL HERO!! This epic musical adventure is written by Kevin Del Aguila and Brad Alexander, who collaborated on the Emmy-winning series Peg + Cat on PBS.

Approximate Running Time: **60 Minutes**

Recommended Ages: Grades 1 through 5

Curriculum Connections: Music, Communication and Language Arts

**How to Survive Middle School**

**Tuesday, Feb. 4**
**10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.**

Comedian Robert Post barely survived Middle School. Struggling because of various learning disabilities, he found that making people laugh saved him. In this brand new multimedia performance, kids talk to kids in a compelling, funny and educational show. Dealing with real issues affecting students today including social media, testing, bullying and peer pressure, these video testimonials by kids and their advocates (along with a generous dose of Post’s signature humor) is sure to resonate.

Approximate Running Time: **60 Minutes**

Recommended Ages: Grades 5 through 6

Curriculum Connections: Communication and Language Arts

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**MEET THE MUSICIANS/MEET THE INSTRUMENTS**

**Wednesday, Oct. 16**
**9:30 a.m.**

Join us for an exhilarating 45-minute concert featuring three of the Fredonia School of Music’s talented ensembles in King Concert Hall. Selections feature classical and contemporary repertoire in a student-friendly format that is sure to engage! Sign up for the optional post-concert, “hands-on” experience during which students will meet the musicians and see instrument demonstrations up-close (additional 1 hour and 15 minutes). There is no additional cost for the hands-on session, however, it is limited to the first 300 students.

Approximate Running Time: **45 Minutes**

Recommended Ages: Grades 3 through 6

Curriculum Connections: Music, Communication and Language Arts

**How to Survive Middle School**

**Tuesday, Jan. 28**
**Wednesday, Jan. 29**
**10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.**
Performing field trips for grades K–6: Making memories for a lifetime

Welcome to another great year of performing arts experiences! Last year, more than 3,200 area elementary students came to Rockefeller Arts Center at Fredonia to experience top-quality performing arts productions chosen especially for young audiences. The goal of On Stage For Youth is simple: to make the very best of the performing arts available to area students and to showcase these performances in a professional theatre setting. The series is designed to encourage thinking, creativity and fun while complementing school lessons. This coming season, the offerings range from a special program featuring performances by the School of Music Chamber Orchestra, Chamber Choir and Wind Ensemble (with a tour option offering an opportunity to meet the musicians and get an up-close look at the instruments) to The Magic School Bus and Dog Man: The Musical with Theatreworks USA to the real-life lesson of How to Survive Middle School. See inside for descriptions of each show and age guidelines. Reservations for the 2019-20 season will be accepted starting Monday, June 3 on a first-come, first-served basis. Please reserve through your school’s main office. Your building principal’s signature is required on the order form.