



Cultural Arts Council
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Family ArtVentures! program to start.

Douglasville, Georgia – A new program of the Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville is set to begin next week.

Family ArtVentures! is a new program designed to introduce performing artists into the school with curricula-based programs, followed by an appearance at a public event for children and adults alike to enjoy. **Family ArtVentures!** starts with four musical puppet performances being done by the Piccadilly Puppet Company. Their show, “Splish, Splash,” explores our most precious resource in a fun and educational way. Large hand-puppets are used in the Australian folktale of “Tiddalick the Frog” and the Creek legend “Rabbit Plays Tug-of-War,” which demonstrate that water is important to all cultures. The original shadow puppet piece, “The Adventures of Drip and Drop,” shows the water-cycle from the point of view of the raindrops. As the closing song says, “Everybody needs a little water!”

These performances will be at:

- Eastside Elementary School at 8:30am on Wednesday, January 20th, at
- Burnett Elementary at 1:30pm on the same day, and at
- Arbor Station Elementary on Thursday, January 21st at 8:30am and again at 9:30am.

The public component for the Piccadilly Puppeteers’ work in Douglasville is to conduct puppet making workshops on March 19th as part of the CAC’s “Mad Hatter Tea Party” festivities.

“The goal of **Family ArtVentures!** is to introduce children to the joys of the arts, to show how the arts can animate the learning process, and to provide opportunities for children and their parents and guardians to share enjoyable arts experiences together,” said Davina Grace Hill, Executive Director of the Cultural Arts Council.

The “Splish, Splash” performances will also benefit from assistance by the Water and Sewer Administration. WSA will be providing some volunteer assistance at the schools and will also provide activity books for the almost 1,000 students who will be impacted by the show.

Funding to make **Family ArtVentures!** possible comes from the GreyStone Power Foundation and a grant from the Georgia Council for the Arts’ “Vibrant Communities” program.

In February actor and storyteller, Barry Stewart Mann will be here, followed by singer/songwriter Julie Austin in March, and both TellTale Theatre and The Story Ship’s multi-media program in April. Here future shows running through the summer and early fall are still being finalized.

For more information about **Family ArtVentures!** please contact CAC at 770-949-2787 or at directorartsdouglas@earthlink.net

The Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/ Douglas County, located at 8652 Campbellton Street in historic downtown Douglasville, Georgia, is open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For directions or more information, visit www.artsdouglas.org or contact the Cultural Arts Council at 770-949-2787.



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The mission of the Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/Douglas County is to nurture, guide and stimulate the enjoyment of and participation in the arts among Douglas County residents by providing an atmosphere conducive to the arts, broadening the spectrum of quality exhibits and performances available to the community, and fostering individual interactions with the arts through a wide range of satellite groups. The programs and activities of the Cultural Arts Council are supported in part by the City of Douglasville and the Douglas County Board of Commissioners.