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15, "Little Red Riding Hood." Special Performance: Aug. 7, noon and 3 p.m., "The A to Z Tour" featuring Sharon, Lois and Bram with Elephant and Mammoth Band, $12.
Children's Theater of Priscilla Beach Theater Barn Theater Rocky Hill Road off Route 3A, Plymouth. ♿ Telephone 508-224-6888. Performances: Friday and Saturday, 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted. Tickets $7, children under 12 $5. Aug. 2-3, "Shaggy Goes to Broadway." Aug. 9-10, "Heidi."
Great Woods Watson Auditorium, Wheaton College, Routes 123 and 140, Norton. ♿ Telephone 508-285-8391. Part of Great Woods Educational Forum. Performances: Thursday, 10 a.m., 1 p.m. Tickets $6. Yates Musical Theater productions. Aug. 8, "Peter Pan." Aug. 15, "Wizard of Oz."
Once Upon a Time: 1991 Summer Youth Theater Festival Zeiterion Theater, 684 Purchase St., New Bedford. ♿ Telephone 508-994-2900. Performances: Wednesday 10:30 a.m. Tickets $5; five show subscription $20. Aug. 7, "Rainbows, Rabbits and Riddles" by Marshall Izen and Jim West. Aug. 14, "Incredibale Merlin Magic Show" by Jack Adams with Rami Mandel.
Berkshire Public Theater 30 Union St., Pittsfield. ♿ Telephone 413-445-4634. Performances: Wednesdays through Aug. 28 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., "Robbins-Zust Family Marionettes." Thursdays, through Aug. 29 at 1 p.m., "Crover's Corner." Tickets $3.
Young American Playwrights Program (YAPP) Berkshire Theater Festival, Festival Tent, East Main Street, Stockbridge. ♿ Telephone 413-298-5576. Performances: through Aug. 24, Thursday through Saturday, 11 a.m. Admission $3. Local elementary school students write scripts, which are then performed by Acting Interns.
Mount Holyoke Summer Theater Gettel Amphitheater, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley. ♿ Telephone 413-538-2406. Performances: Tuesday through Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Tickets $5. Aug. 14-17, "Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp."
American Stage Festival Young Company A.S.F. Theater, Route 13 North, Milford, N.H. ♿ Telephone 603-673-7515. Performances: Monday, 7 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets $3.50 in advance, $4 at the door. Shows for all ages unless otherwise noted. Aug. 5 and 8-9, "Captain Whoopie." Aug. 12 and 15-16, "Pied Piper" featuring Peacock Players. *Other Locations: Londonderry:* Londonderry Junior High, Mammoth Road. ♿ Telephone 603-432-1132. Performances: Monday, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets $3.50 in advance, $4 at door. Aug. 5, "Captain Whoopie."
Andy's Summer Playhouse Wilton Center Community Hall, Wilton Center, N.H. ♿ Telephone 603-654-2613. Performances: Thursday through Sunday, 7:30 p.m.; matinee second Wednesday of run, 2 p.m. Tickets $8, children under 16 $5. Performances by children and teens in summer workshop program. Aug. 1-4 and 7-11, Playwrights Festival.
Hampton Playhouse Theater Arts Workshop Hampton Playhouse, 357 Winnacunnet Road, Hampton, N.H. ♿ Telephone 603-926-3073. Performances: Saturday 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tickets $4. Aug. 3, "Jungle Book." Aug. 10, "Cinderella."
New London Barn Playhouse "Magical Mondays" Main Street, New London, N.H. Limited ♿. Telephone 603-526-4631, 603-526-6710. Performances: Mondays as noted, 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Tickets $5. Aug. 12, "American Tall Tales."
North Country Center for the Arts The Mill at Loon Mountain, Lincoln. Telephone 603-745-2141. Performances: Wednesday, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Adults $3.25, children 12 and under $3.50. Aug. 7, "Hansel and Gretel." Aug. 14, "American Tall Tales."
"Theater for Kids" Dorset Theater Festival Alpine Slide site at Bromely Base Lodge, Route 11, Peru, Vt. Telephone 802-867-5777. Performances through Aug. 31: Wednesday through Saturday at noon. Tickets $4. Two new works by Vermont playwright Tim Foley.
Acadia Repertory Theater Masonic Hall, Route 102, Somesville. ♿ Telephone 207-244-7260. All performances at 1 p.m. Tickets $5, $3 children. "Just So Stories": Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22. "Pinocchio": Aug. 7, Aug. 10, 14, 21, 24. "Treasure Island": Aug. 2-3, 9, 16-17, 23.
Lakewood-Scott Children's Theater Lakewood Theater, Lake Wesserunsett, Route 201, Madison (6 miles north of Skowhegan). ♿ Telephone 207-474-7176. Performances: Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. Tickets $5, children $3.50. Aug. 3, "Emperor's New Clothes."
The Theater at Monmouth Cumston Hall, Route 132, Monmouth, Maine. Telephone 207-933-2952. Performances Tuesdays, Thursday and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets $5, children $4. Aug. 13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25 and 27, "Musicians of Bremen."
Warwick Musical Theater 522 Quaker Lane, Warwick, R.I. ♿ Telephone 401-821-7300. Performances: Tuesday, 11 a.m.; additional performance as noted. Tickets $4. Kaleidoscope Theater productions. Aug. 2, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Aug. 3, 11 a.m., "Sharing Nature with Children," Lois & Bram, $12.50 and $10. Aug. 6, "Jack and Beanstalk." Aug. 13, "Little Red Riding Hood."
Polka Dot Playhouse Pleasure Beach Island, Bridgeport, Conn. ♿ Telephone 203-333-3666. Performances by students of Polka Dot Playhouse Children's Summer Workshop. Admission 5. Aug. 2 and 9 at 2 p.m., Aug. 3 and 10 at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.
River Rep Children's Theater Series Ivoryton Playhouse, Main Street, Ivoryton, Conn. ♿ Telephone 203-767-8348. Performances at 11 a.m. Tickets $5. Aug. 2, "Amazing Andy's Magic Show." Aug. 9, "Fisherman and His Wife." Aug. 12, 7 p.m. and Aug. 16, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., "Snow White and Rose Red."
Westport Country Playhouse 25 Powers Court, Westport, Conn. ♿ Telephone 203-227-4177. Performances: Friday, 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets $4.50, $5.50. Productions geared for ages 3-10. Aug. 2, "Little Red Riding Hood," "Three Little Pigs," by Gingerbread Players and Jack. Aug. 9, "Princess and the Frog" by Gingerbread Players and Jack.

LEARNING

Art Exploration Class Hull Arts Inc., 205 Nantasket Ave., Hull. Telephone 925-9950. Aug. 3 and 10, 10-11:30 a.m. Fee $6.50, preregistration required. Children grades 1-6 explore sculpture using clay and paricscraft with sculptor Nancy Connolly.
Drop-In Workshops Children's Room, Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Ave., Boston. ♿ Telephone 267-9300, ext. 300. Donation $3. Drop-in gallery programs ages 6-12, Tuesday through Thursday, 3:30-4:45 p.m. Topic: Through Aug. 1, "Spirits from Past: Banner Making." Aug. 6-8, "Join the Circus: Wire Sculpture."
Drama Camp Arlington Center for the Arts, 41 Foster St., Arlington. Telephone 648-6220. Aug. 12-23, Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m.-noon. Fee: $95 per two-week session. Ages 8-15 learn staging techniques, character development and more ending with actual production on Aug. 23.
At Stony Brook Nature Center 108 North St., Norfolk. Telephone 508-528-3140. *Preschool Walks,* Tuesdays through Aug. 10, 10-11:30 a.m. for ages 3-5, $4 per walk, per child. *Nature's Pals,* Wednesdays Aug. 7-28, 10-11:30 a.m. or 1-2:30 p.m., four and five year olds discover the wonders of nature by sharpening their observation skills, $35 per session. *Sharing Nature with Your Child,* Aug. 5-6 or 22-23, 1-23:30 p.m., $18 per parent-child pair, ages 4-5 and their parents learn more about nature.
Higgins Armory Museum Children's Summer Workshops 100 Barber Ave., Worcester. Telephone 508-853-6015. Reservations required for all workshops. For ages 5-12 unless otherwise noted. Under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult; one adult admitted free with each child. Workshop fees include admission to the Armory and a tour of the Great Hall. Aug. 2, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., "African Masks and Shields," make a colorful paper mask and a life-size shield for an African Warrior, $12. Aug. 6, 2-4 p.m., "Shields," learn how shields protected and identified knights in battle, then make your own, $10. Aug. 8, 2-4 p.m., "Dragons," construct and paint a ferocious or friendly dragon using clay, $12. Aug. 12, 10 a.m.-noon, "Helmets," construct knight's helmet with movable visor and plume, $10.
Natural History Classes Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge. Telephone 496-3045. *North American Indian Journey:* Preschoolers explore North American Indian cultures through storytelling, song, movement and art meets four Tuesdays, Aug. 6-27, 10:30 a.m.-noon or four Thursdays, Aug. 8-29, 10:30 a.m.-noon, $60. *Ozone and You:* class based on "Disappearing Ozone" exhibit at the Mineralogical and Geological Museum meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug. 6, 8, 13 and 15, 2-4 p.m. for ages 6-8; Mondays and Wednesdays, Aug. 5, 7, 12 and 14, 10 a.m.-noon, $64. Programs are supported in part by a grant from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, a state agency, and the Massachusetts Cultural Council.
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