



FREE TO EVERY STUDENT EVERY YEAR

## INTRODUCING CULTURE CLUB

*"The arts are an essential part of a well-rounded education that prepares students for success in the 21st Century workforce."*

- US Department of Education

## EVERY CHILD DESERVES TO EXPERIENCE ART.

Culture Club is a collaborative program of the Portland Museum of Art, Portland Symphony Orchestra, Portland Ovations and Portland Stage delivering accessible, consistent, diverse, high quality arts experiences to students.

Through Culture Club-Portland, students in the Portland Public School district will have the opportunity to participate for free in four professional art experiences every school year.



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PROFESSIONAL THEATER MADE IN MAINE

[www.portlandstage.org](http://www.portlandstage.org)



PORTLAND MUSEUM OF ART

[www.portlandmuseum.org](http://www.portlandmuseum.org)



[www.portlandovations.org](http://www.portlandovations.org)



[www.portlandsymphony.org](http://www.portlandsymphony.org)

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Portland Stage



Portland Ovations



Portland Symphony



Portland Museum of Art



**K-12** Portland Ovations' School-Time Performance Series connects Maine students and educators with the performing arts in significant ways both on and offstage.

Performances, study guides, and web-based resources complement existing curriculum, connect to Maine Common Core State Standards and promote arts integration in our schools, communities, and alternative learning spaces.

Performances include nationally and internationally acclaimed dance, theater, and music presented at Merrill Auditorium and Hannaford Hall.



**K-3:** KinderKonzert ensemble brought directly into each elementary school and online pre-concert materials for teachers.

**3-6:** Attendance at one of four morning Youth Concerts at Merrill Auditorium and online pre-concert materials for teachers.

**5-12:** Attendance at one of several daytime Open Dress Rehearsals at Merrill Auditorium.



*The arts empower individuals to understand themselves, their communities and the world around them.*

The arts inspire creativity and exploration. They encourage dialogue and build community. The arts are essential to the intellectual and civic lives of our children. Through the generous support of an individual donor, the Portland Museum of Art, Portland Symphony Orchestra, Portland Ovations, and Portland Stage have come together to create Culture Club-Portland to advance arts education in our city. Through Culture Club, we inspire students by providing regular access to quality arts, building community, and making the arts a consistent part of students' education.

**By becoming members of Culture Club-Portland, your students will be provided with one free art experience at each of the four collaborating organizations every year.**

Culture Club-Portland will be implemented over a 3-year period, with 50% of Portland Public School (PPS) students enrolled in the 2012-2013 school year on a first-come, first-served basis. In the 2013-2014 school year, the goal is 75% enrollment. By 2014, we hope to have 100% enrollment. For students in Kindergarten, this will mean that by the time they graduate from High School, they will have attended 12 performances/art exhibits at each of the four arts institutions.

### HOW TO JOIN:

Every school in the Portland Public School District is welcome to join for free. Teachers should contact each of the four organizations directly to reserve space for students. In the first year of the program, we can only serve 50% of the total PPS student population, so make your reservations early.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Portland Museum of Art: [tours@portlandmuseum.org](mailto:tours@portlandmuseum.org)
- Portland Ovations: [offstage@portlandovations.org](mailto:offstage@portlandovations.org)
- Portland Symphony Orchestra: [education@portlandsymphony.org](mailto:education@portlandsymphony.org)
- Portland Stage: [theaterforkids@portlandstage.org](mailto:theaterforkids@portlandstage.org)



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**K-5:** Interactive, literature-based in-school performance/workshops through the Play Me A Story Program.

**6-8:** Process-oriented in-school performance/workshops or Early Show Mainstage performance as detailed below.

**9-12:** Early Show Mainstage performance connected to Core Curriculum, including post-show discussion with artists and in-depth show-specific resource guides.



PORTLAND MUSEUM of ART

**K-5:** Focus PMA tours feature sketching activities, storytelling, and gallery games designed to connect students with works of art in the Museum's collection and exhibitions. Focus Tours are grade specific.

**6-8:** Access PMA tours offer curriculum-based tours inspired by the Museum's 19th-century American art connecting social studies, language arts, and visual arts.

**9-12:** Art in Process tours focus on the creative process, connecting art to other classroom disciplines as well as other art forms.

All PMA school tours feature online lessons and suggested assessments. Access PMA has a complimentary website designed for middle school students.



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