

**Tour, Performance, and Puppet mask Workshop
at the Open Hand Theater (Syracuse, NY)
Saturday, February 11, 2012**



Schedule:

10-11 am teachers self tour the museum gallery of original Open Hand Theater puppets

11-12 pm teachers attend the Open hand Theater performance of **"Einstein's Amazin' Equation"**

Albert Einstein's life was influenced by many events and the work of many scientists throughout history. Open Hand Theater creates simple delightful scenes where each concept in Einstein's famous equation $E=MC^2$ comes to life as each puppet scientist describes the ideas that led to their discoveries. The performance is fun, lively and thought provoking, and is an exciting approach to science and character education. "Einstein's Amazin' Equation" is our newest educational touring show. We use a visual building process and classical music to illustrate each of the scientific concepts found in Einstein's equation. We also focus on the scientific process; how the contributions of several scientists throughout the ages lent understanding to the final formula. The story line presents Einstein and the other scientists as real people (well, puppets...) at different stages of life, which gives it some historical context as well. What might be of interest to art teachers would be the process of visually animating intellectual ideas and elements of the natural world.

12-1 pm break for lunch on your own (many restaurants in the neighborhood)

1-4 pm teacher workshop in the art studio:

1. sculpt and mold puppet masks with thermoplast (additional materials can be purchased)

2. review methods and materials for other types of puppet masks
3. assemble puppet bodies from pre-made or purchased clothing (some sewing may be required)
4. paint masks if time allows
5. attach puppet head and work with articulation
6. discuss and experiment with visual animation of concepts

Professional Development Certificates will be given by NYSATA Central Region #3

**Cost of program: \$50 NYSATA members or \$60 non-members
send checks payable to "NYSATA Central Region #3" to: Lisa Petrosino, 3 North
Street, Clyde NY 14433 phone (315) 923-7976 or (315) 945-7251**

**Program will be cancelled if a minimum of 8 participants are not pre-paid by
Thursday, January 19, 2012. After the final reservation is made, refunds will not
be given if your personal cancellation would put the total number of participants
below the minimum required!**