

### **Six Pillars of Character**

The Amazing Clark's program the Six Pillars of Character mixes magic, music and funny audience interaction. A forty-five minute high energy program that is great for elementary and middle school audiences.

About this program:

In schools all across the country, there is an emphasis on character, and the encouragement for students to become positive role models in their communities. In order to convey this message, Clark brings to the forefront, six important pillars of character, which are already benchmarks in many schools curriculum. This program helps each student to define the six character traits for his/herself. Through audience interaction and participation, students are invited on stage to become part of the program as well as share their individual interpretation of the six pillars of character. Students help the audience to understand the importance of each pillar and how character may be integrated into our lives each day. This program is a keystone for establishing good practice of ones own character traits and habits.

#### **Students will learn:**

Trustworthiness: The value of honesty

Respect: Why they should be tolerant and considerate of others

Responsibility: Why they should always do their best

Fairness: Why they should all work and share together

Caring: The Value of kindness

Citizenship: What each student can do to cooperate with each other.

### **Magical Wonders of Michigan**

This exciting 45 minute assembly program explores Michigan's history, resources, cities, and recreational highlights. Eugene Clark, master magician, incorporates audience participation, magic, and wonderful visual elements to entertain while teaching important facts about the rich Michigan heritage. Audience members will learn about Michigan products such as honey, cherries, and apples, along with facts about the Great Lakes. Michigan's history is introduced beginning with the early French settlers of the 1600's, through our present day government and current cities. This program will help students learn about their state flower, animal, reptile, and rock. Michigan's four major sports teams are highlighted during a magical rope escape. The program concludes as Michigan's four-season recreational activities are discussed and a magical snowstorm is created on stage

to the amazement of all the audience members. This show is an incredible experience for the entire school! Perfect for grades K – 8th.

### **Art Is Everywhere:**

An educational assembly program led by award winning illustrator / artist Eugene Clark. This 45-60 min. hands-on program expands the children's knowledge of how important art and the role of the artist is within our lives and the world we live in! This program demonstrates that artists don't just paint pictures, but are needed to design and create almost anything that we use in our every-day lives, like our toothbrush or the car we drive. Artists like Leonardo DaVinci are discussed, showing a correlation between art / science / and math. Eugene helps illustrate the important role of the artist while taking students on an artistic journey. He then invites students to join him on stage. A colorful sketch book is used to combine plenty of audience participation with a comical approach to drawing colorful characters. The students work together to help create a portrait drawing with Eugene. Other key elements are emphasized in this program such as the difference between 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional, along with color, sculpture, and geometric shapes. Music is integrated throughout the show to paint a fun and upbeat atmosphere helping to keep all of the children's attention. Eugene also shows illustrations from his new children's book, ["Red Riding Hood Races the Big Bad Wolf"](#), and talks about the career of being an artist / illustrator.

### About the presenter:

Eugene The Amazing Clark, currently teaches drawing and painting at the College for Creative Studies, Detroit, Michigan. He is an award winning artist who just illustrated his first children's book, ["Red Riding Hood Races The Big Bad Wolf"](#). Eugene is a thirty year veteran children's performer.

### Technical Requirements:

A sound system, microphone and tape recorder are provided by the performer. A stage, gymnasium, auditorium, or multipurpose room will be suitable for this assembly.

Grade Levels :This assembly is perfect for grades K – 8th.

**The History of Puppetry from Around the World:** Eugene Clark is a master puppeteer. This 45 – 60 min program includes puppet performances and demonstrations, utilizing student participation to the max!!

Eugene Clark not only performs exciting and fun puppet skits during this educational assembly, but also explores and demonstrates puppets from the United States, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Europe, Africa and other parts of the world. As the students travel with Eugene, everything from marionette string puppets, to hand and rod puppets will be demonstrated by Eugene and members of the audience. This is a very informative, and colorful assembly filled with beautiful and amazing puppets.

There is a special appearance by that puppet genius himself, the famous Mr. Punch, as he helps the students clearly see how puppetry is a huge part of many cultures. A very diverse program indeed! The students will also be able to watch part of a puppet performance and then view the show from behind the scenes as the puppet stage is turned around

About the Presenter:

Eugene Clark currently teaches drawing and painting at the College of Creative Studies, Detroit, Michigan. He is an award winning puppeteer and was selected by the Jim Henson Foundation to study puppetry with Jane Henson at the Eugene O'Neil Theater Center, Connecticut.

Technical Requirements:

A sound system, microphone, and tape recorder are provided by the performer. A stage, gymnasium, auditorium, or multipurpose room will be suitable for this assembly. A six foot long table will be needed for this program.

Grade Levels:

Perfect for grades K – 8th.

## **Oceans In Motion**

Have you ever wondered what makes waves, or where sand comes from? Eugene Clark takes the students into the world of the ocean and helps teach information about ocean creatures, the ecology of the ocean world, why it is important to maintain our oceans, things we use that come from the ocean, and how we can learn to view our oceans while having ocean fun! Sharks, whales, rocks, starfish, sand, salt water, plant life, and waves, are just some of the subjects covered in this program. Students will meet the world's most famous diver Hoppy Cousteau and hear about his underwater adventures. Through audience participation and colorful visuals, the students will expand their understanding and the connection of science, ecology, and biology, to the ocean! Take your students into a new world by bringing in the Oceans in Motion assembly program. Perfect for grades K-8.

**Halloween Safety Show:** A 45-minute spooktacular that is sure to please even the scariest of ghosts and goblins. This program is designed to entertain all of the witches, counts, and werewolves, while helping to keep the audience safe during this fun time of year. Monsters from the audience will be invited on stage to work magic and experience mystery. All of this is complimented with scary music and sets to make this one haunting good time. Everyone will be reminded to wear bright clothing, carry flashlights, obey traffic signals, and more safety tips as part of this Halloween extravaganza show! You've never experienced a monster bash quite like this. Magical effects will astound all and put everyone in the perfect Halloween mood! Perfect for grades K-8.

**Readers Are Leaders:** An educational assembly program led by award winning illustrator Eugene Clark. This 45-60 min. hands-on program expands the children's understanding of the importance of reading and writing. Educator Eugene Clark, through a fun-filled program, helps reinforce the importance of reading and writing while implementing the necessary benchmarks of elementary English language arts curriculum. Some of these include: reading comprehension, oral language proficiency, phonetic awareness, word recognition, writing sentences, and story building. There is plenty of audience participation as students are invited on stage to participate in this fun assembly. Students will use colorful visual aids to introduce fun ways of learning about words, how to read them, and how to make those words work collectively as a sentence within a story. Some students will be part of a creative story building process and will become characters, acting out their roles, while Eugene narrates the storyline. The audience will participate by answering questions about the story to expand on their awareness of reading comprehension. Eugene will share with the students his personal excitement for reading and writing. This assembly is perfect for grades K – 8.

### **Bully or No Bully**

This is an exciting program that focuses on the problem of bullying. Just like the show Deal or No Deal, students are invited on stage to solve real life situations, and find solutions to this very important subject. What happens when another student drops a book while they are walking in the hallway, in between classes? Would you kick the book away from them, and laugh, or, would you help them by picking up the book and giving it to them? This is one example of the many ways that students may experience bullying, and how they may contribute in a positive way, to stopping the bullying in their school and community. Bullying is a nation wide issue, and is an important subject to resolve, toward the betterment of good citizenship. This program is very fun and interactive. Excellent for grades K - 8.

## **Think Green - A Healthy Planet Show**

Eugene and Melissa Clark, along with “Ted Ant”, are looking for some kids that want to SAVE THE PLANET! This action packed 45 minute program is filled with audience participation, and plenty of simple ways that students can start making this world a better place “right now”! Ted Ant invites students onstage throughout the program to emphasize the four R’s, Recycle, Reduce, Reuse, and Restore. Each section of the show teaches the students how to think about ways that they can keep the planet healthy. Reducing our use of electricity can be achieved by changing the light bulbs we use at home and switching to a compact florescent bulb. This will save electricity and conserve energy. Recycling paper, plastic, cans, and glass, will contribute to less waste in our landfills. Creatively reusing things that we would ordinarily throw away, like turning a plastic 2 liter pop bottle into a bird feeder, or a glass bottle into a flower vase, will inspire students to look at the world in a different way. Restoring the earth by planting trees will help to renew our environment and provide more clean air for us to breathe. Other aspects of this show discuss how important it is to keep not only our air clean, but our water as well. Reusing things like plastic bags, will help to keep our planet clean and safe. Students have an opportunity to contribute their own ideas to this show as Ted Ant reminds everyone that we live in “A Wonderful World”. Let’s keep it that way! The time is now! A resource guide is provided for teachers to use in the classroom. Great for K - 8.