

THE BARTER PLAYERS

The Barter Players have been bringing truthful, imaginative theatre to audiences of all ages around the country for over 25 years. Touring with a unique combination of education and entertainment, the Barter Players present high-energy and original productions that capture the imagination of today's youth while providing the best in classic literature and beloved story adaptations. In the grand tradition of Barter Theatre, America's longest-running professional theatre, the Barter Players are committed to bringing world-class theatre to young people of all ages and backgrounds.

STUDY GUIDES

All of The Barter Players' productions are built to go hand in hand with your school's testing curriculum. Your state's learning standards are directly tied into each play and are listed in the free companion study guide, available with additional helpful materials at bartertheatre.com.

CLASSROOM WORKSHOPS

Acting workshops may be scheduled independently or following a performance. Workshops involve young people creating theatre from their own life experiences and are adapted to the age level of the students. Actors show students how they can create theatre just like the professionals!

TALKBACKS

Ask about free actor talkback sessions immediately following performances. Both talkbacks and workshops are great ways for your students to interact with the actors and learn more about the art of theatre.

FEES

The Barter Players strive to be affordable to anyone who desires a high-quality performance, and we think you will find we charge considerably less than other theaters of the same caliber. We also offer discounts for more than one show at your school or venue!

BARTER THEATRE HISTORY

Barter Theatre, the State Theatre of Virginia, was founded by Robert Porterfield in 1933. Porterfield made an extraordinary offer to Depression-era audiences: barter produce and farm animals to gain admission to see a play. The concept of exchanging "Ham for Hamlet" was an overnight success. Barter has helped launch the acting careers of Gregory Peck, Ned Beatty, Patricia Neal, Ernest Borgnine, and more than 100 other distinguished alumni.

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The Barter Players
Classic Theatre for Students of All Ages

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JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH 2020

Peter Pan

The Legend of **SLEEPY HOLLOW**

The **Red Badge of Courage**

Katy Brown, Artistic Director of The Barter Players

Peter Pan

Adapted from J.M. Barrie by Catherine Bush

ALL AGES

Wendy Darling and her younger brothers love nothing more than playing make-believe in their family's upstairs nursery. Then one night, a young boy named Peter Pan and his fairy friend Tinkerbell fly into the nursery window and whisk the Darling children away to a fantastical Neverland filled with Lost Boys, pirates, and a man-eating crocodile. Brought thrillingly to life with only six quick-changing actors, the Barter Players' special brand of imagination and creativity make this an adventure your students will never forget!



There is no other presentation we have ever hosted that so completely captures the attention of our students. The Barter Players are skilled at their craft, and they make an effort to be approachable to the children before and after the performance." - Mount Pleasant Elementary

The Legend of SLEEPY HOLLOW

Adapted from Washington Irving by Catherine Bush

4TH GRADE & UP

Sleepy Hollow, a village haunted by the legendary Headless Horseman, has a new schoolmaster—the somewhat hapless and extremely superstitious Ichabod Crane. When Ichabod tries to win the hand of the beautiful Katrina Van Tassel, he makes an enemy of her former suitor, the brawny Brom Bones. Brom vows revenge and, one dark and spooky night, Ichabod finds himself in for the ride of his life!



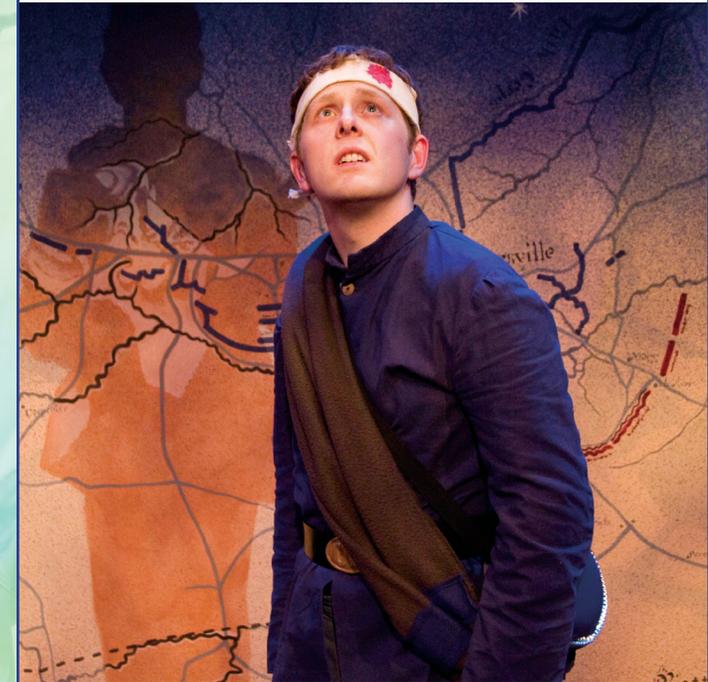
"The imaginative way that The Players' shows are performed on tour helps our students develop their own creativity in ways that help them not only academically, but in other areas of life as well." - Harding Avenue Elementary

The Red Badge of Courage

Adapted from Stephen Crane by Catherine Bush

6TH GRADE & UP

The Civil War had been raging for two years when young Henry Fleming decides to enlist in the Army. On the eve of his first big battle, Henry fears what he will do when the bullets start to fly. Will he run or will he fight? Before the battle is over, Henry will have to decide for himself what it means to be a man. Share with your students this timeless and intimate look at the Civil War from a young person's perspective.



"Barter Players is, hands down, the most requested group of performers here. They deliver outstanding quality programs every time. Teachers, principals, school administrators, students and patrons all want Barter Player shows. - ProArt Association

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