

The Performers

Franklin Haynes



Born in Newport Beach CA, Franklin Haynes has logged twenty-five years of experience entertaining with puppetry. As well as a seasoned performer, he is gifted puppet builder hand crafting his marionettes. A graduate of UC Riverside with a degree in theater and education, he was a credentialed first grade bilingual elementary school teacher for Riverside USD. Member of Screen Actors Guild, credits include puppetry manipulation on television in the making of the Scapegoat Wax rock video on MTV and Touchstone's television series Day Break. He has pulled strings Blind Date program where he taught the blind date couple how to manipulate marionettes. He has performed numerous children's programs on cable. He is fluent in Spanish. Shows can be performed bilingually.

Terry Conci (T.C.)



Born in Italy and now residing in Diamond Bar with his wife and two children, Terry Conci has a great rapport with children and has extensive experience as a children's entertainer. He has owned and operated a clowns and characters business since 1992. He studied theater and communication at Pasadena City College where he has been involved with children's theater since 1987. T.C. has been involved as an actor in front of the camera and on the stage. Credits include starring in the Pulitzer Prize winning play SHADOW BOX on a television cable production of "Oh What a Night." His warm and genuine personality coupled with his years of experience as a puppeteer, make him a wonderful performer both children and adults will enjoy.

Guest Puppet Designer

Vladimir Timofte



Born in Romania, Vladimir Timofte is a classically trained European children's puppeteer. He is currently a guest designer for us, and is learning the art of American style marionette puppetry. He is well versed in all art forms of puppetry. He is a graduate of the University of Art Iasi, Romania and holds a degree of Bachelor of Dramatic Arts, with a specialization of puppetry including the fabrication, craft, and manipulation of puppets and marionettes. Vladimir has fine tuned his performing, puppetry skills, and puppet building abilities after completing a four year run as a performer at the International Institute of Marionette Art, Prague, Czech Republic. Vladimir Timofte has experience with Wayang, Bunraku, traditional Czech marionettes and puppets, shadow theater, and black theater.

Show Information

All shows run one half hour and feature approximately nine puppet characters. There is also a forty-five minute show with an educational puppet workshop available for school and library shows. During the workshop the children will explore the wondrous art of puppetry. A collection of puppets from all over the world will be shared and touched. We also have a one hour show that includes a puppet making workshop where the children will make their own hand puppets! This is a great craft activity especially for children's birthday parties and school shows. The puppet making workshop involves coloring, cutting, and pasting, and is geared for ages 3-10. This fun activity will keep the kids busy and open the world of puppetry to them as they perform with their own puppets.

At the time of this printing, we have twelve different shows to offer throughout the year-- and growing! We have over one hundred and fifty professionally hand crafted marionettes--a lifetime of work. That means each time we come out to you, you will see a fresh new and different show. Puppets stand about 18-20 inches tall and are animated with moving eyes, mouths and eyebrows. And we maintain our shows! All curtains are like new and props are freshly painted. All costumes are clean and professionally designed and constructed by a former *Disney* designer.

The magic in all our marionette puppet show productions that has lead to our great success, is that they are all variety shows. As variety shows, our productions can be customized to fit your specific theme, venue, and age group of audience! Whether you are looking for entertainment for your child's birthday party, booking a show for your library's summer reading program, pre-school, looking for entertainment for your Senior Center, or coordinating an elementary school assembly, the performer will modify and adjust the presentation of the show to make it appropriate to your venue and age group. You can trust our twenty-five years of experience working with all audiences. No matter what age, everyone loves marionettes!

Shows have been performed all over southern California. Shows have been seen by Donna Mills, Marvin Davis, John Laraquette, Luke Perry, Vannah White, Nordstrom, The Ritz Carlton and Montage Hotel, The Jonathan Club, The Vintage Club, Santa Monica College Children's Performing Art Series, General Electric, Orangewood Children's Home, Pacific Care, The City of Beverly Hills, the Mayor of Brea, Capitol Records, numerous shopping mall Kid's Clubs, hundreds of private shows for children's birthday parties, adult parties, and company parties throughout the year.

Show Set Up

Our shows are "one man shows," performed by one puppeteer. The puppet stage takes up a 10' X 10' area, but we are flexible with smaller areas. Other than stage shows, children are seated down on ground level in a horseshoe shape in the round in front of the puppet stage. The performer will mask (with tape) the area for larger groups in a horseshoe shape. Theater in the round is very exciting. There is a lot of child-puppet interaction. Our shows are self-contained. We provide our own microphone, music, lighting, staging and amplification. Shows can even be done outside, i.e. backyards, parks, parking lots, etc., where electricity may not be available! We have our own power supply. Outside shows are wonderful, but keep in mind that we have no cancellation policy due to poor weather. Please have a back up plan for weather conditions. As in theater, "The show must go on!"

Booking/Pricing/Travel

Shows may be booked by credit card on our secure and encrypted website: [www.puppetshows.com](http://www.puppetshows.com). The Internet is always suggested for convenience in booking, making show selections, answering frequently asked questions, and getting current price lists. Prices are subject to change and vary particularly during peak seasons. Shows should be booked a month or more in advance to guarantee openings. Once a show is booked, full payment is requested in advance (like buying a show ticket). Understand that once booked, you have obligated a date and time, making it unavailable for others. Therefore, we have no cancellation policy. We serve most all of southern California, however travel fees apply to the San Diego, San Fernando Valley, High/Low Desert, and Las Vegas areas.

SHOW VENUES

- CHILDREN'S PARTIES
- K-6 SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES
- PRE-SCHOOLS
- HEAD START PROGRAMS
- SUMMER CAMPS
- LIBRARY PROGRAMS
- Y.M.C.A.'S
- MALL KID'S CLUBS
- CITY PARKS
- COUNTRY CLUBS
- ADULT SHOWS
- SENIOR CENTERS
- COMPANY PICNICS
- CONCERTS IN THE PARK
- EGG HUNTS
- BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
- HALLOWEEN EVENTS
- HOLIDAY SHOWS
- 4TH OF JULY
- CINCO DE MAYO



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## Our Year-Round Marionette Puppet Productions

### Marionette Magic



Marionette Magic is a wonderful variety show featuring some of our most popular and frequently asked for characters as well as a mixture of never before seen characters! In the spirit of a "Best Of" genre of show productions, Marionette Magic is the culmination of twenty years of puppet making and performances. This show will continue to propel and capture the magic and fascination of Franklin Haynes Marionettes.

### Baby Boop's Big Show



"You're not big enough!" Baby Boop's Big Show hosts a list of colorful characters that will truly delight everyone. This show features the cute little Baby Boop. This two year old, who thinks she is big enough to be in a big show like her mama Betty Boop, makes her singing debut in her high chair. As she crawls along the floor, the kids laugh as she says "Boop Boop Boop Da De Doop."

### Puppets On Parade



Puppets On Parade (our first and original half hour marionette puppet variety show) hosts a list of colorful characters that will delight all ages. Perfect for children's birthday parties and stage events, Puppets On Parade features a number of whimsical puppets engaging in all sorts of antics. This is the show that got us started! Puppets On Parade is a variety show, so it can be modified in just about every way and made to fit your event theme.

### Frankie's Toy Box



Frankie's Toy Box is an outstanding entertainment choice for both for boys and girls. This warm variety show hosts a list of colorful characters and toys that will delight the young, and bring parents back to their nostalgic playful youth. The show stars Frankie, a little boy who doesn't want to share his favorite toys. He goes around sticking out his tongue out at the audience! The stage is set for teaching lessons about sharing, caring, and taking responsibility.

### Airmail to the Moon



Who stole Ora Mae's tooth? When Ora finds who done it, she is "gonna to open up a can of gotcha, and send 'em Airmail to the Moon!" Based on Tom Birdseye's book, Airmail to the Moon has been brought into 3-D puppet format. Airmail to the Moon is perfect for library summer reading programs and school assemblies. The show includes a thematic unit with reading/writing, science, and math activities. All children identify with the loss of a tooth, and will be drawn into Ora's comical search.

### Puppet's At Night



I Will Survive!

Looking for fun adult entertainment? Set to retro disco music and hi-tech lighting, Puppets at Night is an excellent and most unique entertainment choice for adult parties. This cabaret features a number of state of the art marionettes engaging in all sorts of after dark mischief. The show is perfect for company Christmas parties, receptions, birthdays, and anniversaries. Mitzi the Magnificent is the Mistress of Ceremonies!

## Our Seasonal Marionette Puppet Productions

### Springtime Puppet Parade



Here comes Peter Cottontail hopping down the bunny trail! Springtime Puppet Parade features a lot of bouncing bunnies that will enchant the young and the young at heart. There are bunnies that juggle, bunnies that hop, bunnies on trapezes that never stop! This colorful puppet surprise is perfect for egg hunts and other celebrations of spring.

### Frankie's 4th of July



Frankie's 4th of July is a star spangled banner variety show that will make your Independence Day celebration memorable. Set to patriotic music, Frankie's 4th of July is filled with all the fun that makes the good old USA a very fun place to live! Frankie, dressed in his pajamas, wakes up early for 4th of July fun. Families gather as the show begins with the blast whistle of a Piccolo Pete firework.

### HILARIOUS HALLOWEEN HAUNT



Hilarious Halloween Haunt is a frantically funny friendly Halloween variety show to delight all ages. Hosted by the Invisible man (Just a brown derby, gloves, and boots on strings), the show is child-centered and will make your Halloween event a great success-guaranteed! We pull out all the stops with our trick marionettes in one of our favorite shows. Be forewarned! Children will laugh to death! Note: Show contains smoke special effects.

### santa's new sleigh



In Santa's New Sleigh, Santa Claus buys a brand new sleigh off the internet. It's complete with hi-tech bright headlights and taillights so as he can "see through the smog." That's right! Santa got rid of his reindeer, and traded in his old sleigh for a brand new turbo model. Does Santa's New Sleigh mean the end of a good old-fashioned Christmas?

### Frosty's Magic Hat



What happened to Frosty's Magic Hat? What to do? What to do? Frieda the good Christmas fairy has been packed off to sunny Florida by her old bully sister, Smarmy the bad Christmas fairy. There will be no more snow, no fun and no more Christmas, if the bad Christmas fairy has anything to do with it! She takes Frosty's magic hat for her very own! "Love of Giving" is the warm theme for this winter production.

### Los marionettas' desfile



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