



## YOUNG AUDIENCES ASSEMBLY PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS

### **Overview**

Assembly performance programs are designed to introduce large audiences of students (100-350) to an art form, culture or theme through performance, dialogue and student participation. Programs typically last 35-45 minutes (depending on the age of the children), involve multiple grade levels and may be presented in schools, after-school settings, libraries, cultural institutions or other community venues.

### **Standards of Quality**

YAWAC has established standards of quality for both the design and delivery of assembly programs. These standards inform and guide the development of new programs, the evaluation of programs and the creation of professional learning.

### ***Program Design***

Artistry: Captures and maintains students' attention and interest through the use of expressive techniques (includes virtuosity, artistic process, transitions and pacing).

Child Development: Designs and/or adapts the performance demonstration to meet student needs and capacities.

Content: Employs content standards to determine what students should know as a result of the presentation (includes learning outcomes and context).

### ***Program Delivery***

Captures and maintains students' attention and interest through the use of communication, production elements and theatrical techniques (includes presentation, communication skills, rapport and production elements).