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SCHOOL-DAY PERFORMANCES
FOR PUBLIC, PRIVATE, AND HOME
SCHOOLS, GRADES PreK-12

CAHOOTS NI PENGUINS



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ABOUT CAHOOTS NI

Cahoots NI is a Belfast-based theatre company producing boldly innovative work for children and their families. Its distinctive style combines magic and illusion, physical theatre, and original music. Cahoots NI tours to ever-growing audiences at home and across the world, and its work is acclaimed in Ireland, the UK, Asia, and America and has been enjoyed in theatres, schools, and healthcare settings since 2001.

TEACHERS

Head to the *KCYS Penguins* page to download the education pack created by Cahoots NI, full of activities in the areas of natural science, the arts, and social science.



Explore cahootsni.com to find out more about the company and the artists.

ABOUT PENGUINS

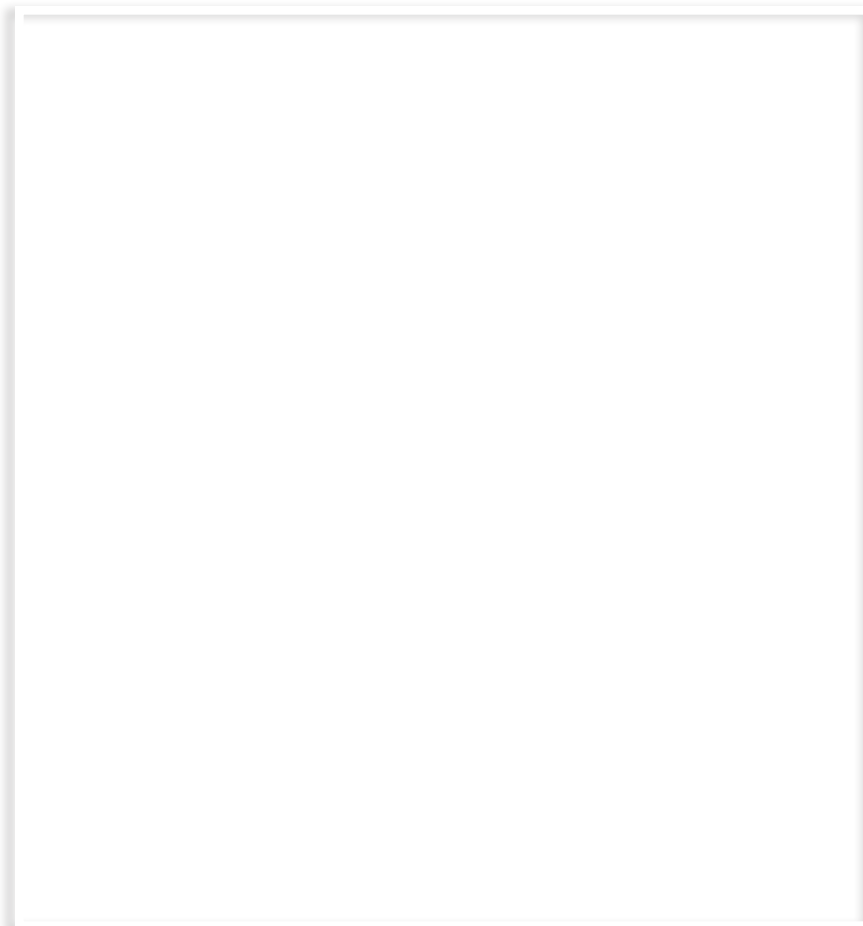
New York City's Central Park Zoo is home to myriad animals from throughout the world—including a special pair of bonded male penguins who delight in their big-city life by walking, playing, swimming, and dancing together. When the duo attempts to “hatch” a rock, a zookeeper gives them an abandoned egg instead and thus begins a little family adventure. Northern Ireland's Cahoots NI returns to Krannert Center with an enchanting and heartfelt tale filled with music, dance, and non-verbal theatre, based on a true story about love and the ever-evolving meaning of family, co-produced with Birmingham Repertory Theatre and Prime Theatre.

Connects to Illinois Learning Standards in Fine Arts, Social/Emotional Learning, and Science.

FAMILY PORTRAITS

Roy and Silo, both born in 1987, are the two male “chinstrap” penguins that inspired this story. They grew up together at New York City's Central Park Zoo, and after zoo staff observed them trying to hatch a rock together, it was decided to provide them with an egg that couldn't be cared for by its parents. They successfully incubated the egg and hatched a healthy young female penguin named Tango.

Use this space to draw an image of your family or the people who matter most in your life.



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PENGUIN MATCHING

Roy and Silo are “chinstrap” penguins, but there are a total of 17 different species. See if you can match the penguin to its description:

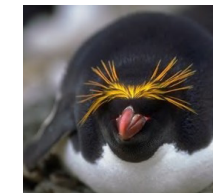
CHINSTRAP PENGUINS

small black band running under their chin, about 2-feet tall and 10 pounds



AFRICAN PENGUINS

black, upside-down U-shape on their necks and black speckles on their chest, about 2-feet tall and 7-11 pounds



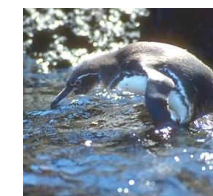
EMPEROR PENGUINS

orange “glow” on their cheeks, 4-feet tall and 90 pounds



GALAPAGOS PENGUINS

primarily black heads and beaks, less than 2-feet tall, just 5 pounds



MACARONI PENGUINS

distinct yellow and black feathers sticking out from the sides of their heads that resemble an old English hairstyle called “the macaroni”

Source: www.kidzone.ws



WALK THIS WAY

Materials: plastic eggs or tennis balls

Penguin parents who are in the process of hatching their eggs still need to stay mobile so they are experts at carrying their little eggs on the tops of their feet very gently while walking. Can you keep your “egg” on your feet without dropping it?

What other kinds of penguin movements can you make? When you come to see *Penguins*, notice how the performers move differently when the penguins are on land or in the water.

ON THE MAP

CAHOOTS NI COMES FROM . . .



Grand Opera House



Custom House Square



Palm House

Cahoots NI: Penguins

Youth Series Performances

Tu, Mar 10, 2020 at 10am
We-Th, Mar 11-12, 2020, at 10am and 12:30pm
Studio Theatre
Performance length: 40 minutes
Recommended for grades PreK-2

Public Marquee Performances

Tu, Mar 10, 2020, at 6:30pm

Cahoots NI appears courtesy of Holden & Arts Associates.

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LIBRARY CONNECTIONS

Krannert Center has also partnered with Champaign Public Library and The Urbana Free Library to help expand your students' Youth Series experience. Our local libraries have placed materials that relate to *Penguins* on display, and librarians are prepared to help your students immerse themselves in the wide-ranging subject areas that are covered by the production. These resources will be available approximately two weeks before through two weeks following the performance.

We hope that you are able to take advantage of these exciting partnerships with our local libraries!

www.champaign.org | www.urbanafreelibrary.org

