

BREAD+PUPPET

Press Release: Bread and Puppet Fall 2022 National Tour

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The circus is coming! The circus is coming! Bread & Puppet Theater makes a rare cross-country tour this fall 2022. With performances coast to coast, from New York to Seattle, Los Angeles to New Orleans, the iconic political puppet theater company brings *Our Domestic Resurrection Circus: Apocalypse Defiance* to over 50 cities and towns. Fifty-two years ago Bread & Puppet Theater performed *Our Domestic Resurrection Circus* for the first time at Goddard College in Plainfield, VT. Since then, this capacious and provocative title has served as the basis of annual spectacles that generations of audiences have come to rely on for satire and celebration in the face of intolerable circumstances. This year, B&P will take up the tradition again, albeit with a timely subtitle: *The Apocalypse Defiance Circus*.

The show, says Schumann, is “in response to our totally unresurrected capitalist situation, not only the hundreds of thousands of unnecessarily sacrificed pandemic victims but our culture’s unwillingness to recognize Mother Earth’s revolt against our civilization. Since we earthlings do not live up to our earthling obligations, we need resurrection circuses to yell against our own stupidity.”



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After the show Bread & Puppet will serve its famous sourdough rye bread with aioli, and Bread & Puppet's "Cheap Art" – books, posters, postcards, pamphlets and banners from the Bread & Puppet Press – will be for sale.

Show Length: Approximately 1 hour.

Tickets and more information will be posting in the coming weeks at BreadandPuppet.org



ABOUT BREAD AND PUPPET THEATER

The Bread and Puppet Theater is an internationally celebrated company that champions a visually rich, street-theater brand of performance art filled with music, dance and slapstick. Believing that theater is a basic necessity like bread, the company frequently brings its work to the streets for those who may not otherwise go to the theater. Its shows are political and spectacular, with puppets often on stilts, wearing huge masks with expressive faces, singing, dancing and playing music.

Bread and Puppet is recognized throughout the world and has won distinction at international theater festivals in Italy, Poland, Colombia, and Yugoslavia, beginning with their break-out performances at the 1968 Nancy Festival in France. Notable awards include the Erasmus Prize of Amsterdam, 4 Obies, the Puppeteers of America's President Award, and the Vermont Governor's Award. Bread and Puppet is

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constantly active, performing at its farm in Glover, VT, and in local churches, schools and parades. It regularly tours Europe, Canada, and the United States and has recently visited El Salvador, Haiti, Russia, and Korea.

Founded in 1963 by Peter Schumann on New York City's Lower East Side, the theater has been based in the North East Kingdom of Vermont since the early 1970s and is one of the oldest, nonprofit, self-supporting theatrical companies in the country.

Based on the Biography of Bread and Puppet that accompanies the Bread and Puppet Archives at the University of Vermont, Burlington. Full text at <http://cdi.uvm.edu/findingaids/collection/bredpuppet.xml>



TOUR SCHEDULE

- Friday, September 2 @ 6pm. Haverhill Common. Haverhill, NH.
- Saturday, September 3 @ 3pm. Bread and Puppet. Glover, VT.
- Sunday, September 4 @ 4pm. Cambridge Common, Cambridge, MA.
- Monday, September 5 @ 4:20pm. Bread and Roses Festival, Lawrence Common, Lawrence, MA.
- Friday, September 9 @ 8pm. University of Maine, Farmington, ME.
- Saturday, September 10 @ 4pm. Fort Allan Park, Portland, ME.
- Sunday, September 11 @ 6pm. Park Hill Orchard, Easthampton, MA.
- Wednesday, September 14 @ 6pm. Wells College, Aurora, NY.
- Friday, September 16 @ 7pm. Heritage Park, Springville, NY.
- Saturday, September 17 @ 4pm. Fire Fish Festival, Lorain, OH.
- Thursday, September 22 @ 7pm. Detroit Puppet Company, Detroit, MI.
- Saturday, September 24 @ 3pm. St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN.
- Sunday, September 25 @ 4:30pm. Tiny Tempest Farm, Lake Geneva, WI.
- Wednesday, September 28 @ 6pm. Crystal Lake Park, Urbana, IL
- Thursday, October 6 @ 7:30pm. Kimball Hall, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE.

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- Saturday, October 15 @ 4pm. Swanny Park, Moab, UT.
- Wednesday, October 19 @ 6:30pm. Free Cycles, Missoula, MT.
- Saturday, October 22. Open Space for Arts and Community, Vashon Island, WA.
- Tuesday, October 25 @ 8pm. Greenwood Theater, Reed College, Portland, OR.
- Wednesday, October 26 @ 8pm. Greenwood Theater, Reed College, Portland, OR.
- Tuesday, November 22 @ 7pm. The Orange Show, Houston, TX.
- Friday, November 25 @ 7pm. Happyland Theater, New Orleans, LA.
- Saturday, November 26 @ 3pm & 7pm. Happyland Theater, New Orleans, LA.
- Sunday, November 27 @ 3pm. University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA.
- Tuesday, December 13 @ 4:30pm. Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter School, Brooklyn, NY.
- Wednesday, December 14-18. Theater for the New City. New York, NY.

LISTING SUMMARY

What: Bread and Puppet's Fall 2022 National Tour

When: September 1 - December 18, 2022

Admission: Varies by venue.

PHOTO CREDITS

1. Big Washer Woman with Crowd: Raphael Royer, 2022.
2. Sleeper with Gold Big Flag: Raphael Royer, 2022.
3. Horses: Mark Dannenhauer, 2022.
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