



## FINDING NORTH

Thursday February 13, 2025

Start time: 10:00 AM

In Person: 60 Minutes with talk back

Grades 5-8 (age 10+) \$8.50

**FINDING NORTH** brings to life the powerful stories of the strivings, sacrifices and dreams of John P. Parker, a former enslaved man who dedicated his life to helping enslaved people escape through the Underground Railroad in southern Ohio. Drawn from historical research, Parker's tale is woven together with verbatim interview material and oral histories from contemporary community members who tell their stories of searching for haven.

A timely and provocative contribution to the national conversation about prejudice, privilege, and human rights, the play is both an exploration and celebration of the continuing quest for justice and freedom in America.

Originally written by David Gonzalez and commissioned by Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park to celebrate the opening of Cincinnati's Underground Railroad Freedom Center, FINDING NORTH has been updated through the collaboration of David Gonzalez with performer/director Daniel Carlton. Carlton captivates the audience with his one-man performance of John Parker and all the other characters, while accompanied by Gonzalez playing blues guitar. The piece concludes with a dynamic audience talk-back.



Make your plans for Spring 2025!

Schools are required to register online – registration will be updated for August 2024.

Student matinee info and registration will be on the education page at [thecolonial.org](http://thecolonial.org)

For questions, please contact: [vicky.pittman@thecolonial.org](mailto:vicky.pittman@thecolonial.org)





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# SEASON AT A GLANCE

# COLONIAL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

## 2024-2025

### STUDENT PROGRAMMING

ALL MATINEES START AT 10AM

#### FINDING NORTH

FEBRUARY 13, 2025 GRADES 5-8 (AGES 10+)

#### MATH MANIAC

MARCH 19, 2025 GRADES 3-5

#### KATTAM AND HIS TAM TAMS

APRIL 2, 2025 GRADES 2-8

#### ADA TWIST, SCIENTIST AND FRIENDS

MAY 14, 2025 GRADES K-4

### FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

#### JOHN HUGHES

KEENE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 FREE EVENT!

#### THE BIG NAZO - KEENE PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 12, 2024 FREE EVENT!

#### MUTTS GONE NUTS

NOVEMBER 17, 2024

#### NYTB'S THE NUTCRACKER

DECEMBER 7, 2024

#### A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 28, 2024

#### DRAGONS AND MYTHICAL BEASTS

APRIL 5, 2025



## EDUCATION & COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Colonial is passionately invested in the cultural health of our community through our commitment to providing community engagement for all ages, making the performing arts a vital and fundamental part of education. Our educational programs are designed to engage in the artistic process, cultivate appreciation for the performing arts and celebrate our diversity as a community.

## OPERA-TUNITY PROGRAM

An intro to opera or a live performance

### ATTEND THE MET: LIVE IN HD

Tickets are free to select operas for children in grades 4-12

Email [vicky.pittman@thecolonial.org](mailto:vicky.pittman@thecolonial.org)

Provided by the Putnam Foundation and the Metropolitan Opera House

## REGISTRATION INFO

Student matinee registrations are online

- All registrations for shows will be online
- Go to the Education page on [thecolonial.org](http://thecolonial.org).
- You will receive an email confirmation once your registration is complete.

## Special seating requirements?

**Please let us know in advance:** Please inform us of any special seating needs when registering to assure we have seats available and ready in advance. We will do our best, but cannot guarantee requests the day of the event.

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