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Kid Works Puppet Theater

Meet the Puppeteers!

Randi Linee is the Coordinator of the Kids Works program. She has been working with Kids Works for many years, and is very excited to develop new scripts and serve the constantly changing issues with youth! She is an accomplished opera singer, teaches performing arts in the schools, directs several local children's choruses and directs a professional children's theatre with the Townsend Opera Players. In September 2007 she will be performing the role of Peter Pan with Modesto Performing Arts.

Margaret "Peggy" Bowen is proud to be the "oldest" puppeteer! She retired from a career as a schoolteacher, and has increased her involvement in the schools exponentially since this development. She works with the Board of the Hughson Library, is a member of the "Dinosaur" Club (retired teachers) in Stockton, volunteers at the Hughson Fruit & Nut Festival, observes student teachers, and has too many hobbies and club memberships to list! Puppeteering with Kids Works is one of her favorite "extra" activities.

Lisa Savelli has had several successful careers throughout her life, and her latest - and greatest! - venture is working with Kids Works as a puppeteer. She also works with Townsend Opera Players, and has appeared in many productions. Lisa is careful to balance her roles as a puppeteer, wife and mother so that all may receive the benefits of her varied talents. Kids Works and Lisa fit each other very well. She enjoys the rewarding aspects of teaching youth through puppetry!

Jonathan Olson is an accomplished Boy Scout Troup Leader, and an Eagle Scout! He is certified to teach climbing to youth, and does this at Boy Scout camps during the summer. He enjoys seeing the looks on the children's faces when the puppets first appear, and has a strong desire to leave children with a positive message and new Kids Works lessons learned at the completion of each program. His enthusiasm for the Kids Works program is contagious!

Jacob Bronson is a gifted singer and stage performer with many years of experience under his belt. Currently studying voice in college, he aspires to become a professional singer! This is apparent in his passion for performing with the Kids Works puppets. One of his special skills is maintaining a distinctive and likeable personality for each individual puppet in the program. When he is operating a set of puppets during a program, children have been over heard commenting that there must be "at least five people backstage doing the voices."

Additional information is available for adoption at 209-579-9115 x19.