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# *Dr. Seuss’s The Cat in the Hat* Brings Nonstop Fun to Atlanta

*It’s fun to have fun at the Center for Puppetry Arts*

**ATLANTA (February 7, 2018)** – Audiences of all ages can chase away the rainy day blues this spring with the **Center for Puppetry Arts**’ production of ***Dr. Seuss’s* *The Cat in the Hat***. Sally, Nick and their pet fish will take audiences on an unexpected adventure with the famous cat in the tall red and white striped hat and his mischievous companions – Thing 1 and Thing 2. This puppet-filled adventure explores curiosity, literacy and creativity and includes a gentle reminder about the challenge of responsibility. With plenty of rhymes, tricks and wit, the faithful adaptation of Dr. Seuss’s classic tale will transport audiences from the page to the stage, as the performance brings the iconic illustrations from the book to life.

This show features rod puppetry and is presented in the Mainstage Theater, featuring puppets created in-house by the Center’s team of puppet builders. Originally produced by the National Theatre of Great Britain, the play was adapted and originally directed by Katie Mitchell. The Center’s production is directed by Jon Ludwig.

Recommended for ages four and up, ***Dr. Seuss’s The Cat in the Hat*** is playing **March 20 – May 13,** with reduced-price previews on March 20 and 21 at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

The Center for Puppetry Arts will continue its dedication to programming for patrons with ASD on Sunday, April 8 with sensory-friendly modifications to the performance as well as in the Museum and in the Create-A-Puppet Workshops™.  The Center will also provide a quiet room, social stories, noise-reducing headphones and fidget toys for guests who need those resources. For details, visit [puppet.org/asd](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CJennifer%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CMicrosoft%5CWindows%5CINetCache%5CContent.Outlook%5CR0C9SA2J%5Cpuppet.org%5Casd).

All-inclusive tickets are **12.50 (Members)** and **$25 (nonmembers)** and include entrance to the Create-A-Puppet Workshop™, where guests can make, decorate and perform with their own **Cat in the Hat Shadow Puppet**, as well as admission to the *Worlds of Puppetry* Museum, featuring the largest collection of Jim Henson puppets in the world.

Tickets can be purchased online at [puppet.org](http://puppet.org) or by calling **404.873.3391**.

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