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**Clap and sing along with Mother Goose and friends at the Center for Puppetry Arts, August 15 – September 17**

*Classic storybook characters engage all ages in this Theater for the Very Young production*

**ATLANTA (June 15, 2017)** — Mother Goose is on the loose! Families are invited to help find her with some assistance from classic nursey rhyme characters as the **Center for Puppetry Arts** presents ***Mother Goose*, August 15 –September 17**. Humpty Dumpty, Little Bo Peep, Jack & Jill and all the other citizens of Rhymeville need as much help as possible to look for clues and solve the mystery of Mother Goose’s whereabouts.

Adapted and directed by Amy Sweeney, *Mother Goose* is a presented as part of the Center for Puppetry Arts’ Theater for the Very Youngseries, designed specifically with the developmental stages of young children in mind. *Mother Goose* employs bright colors, music, familiar stories and audience interaction to engage children in a creative experience that supports learning and social development. The Center for Puppetry Arts invites patrons of all ages to move and groove along with these timeless characters!

Puppeteers Luis Hernandez and Jimmica Collins will lead the way in this highly-interactive production. *Mother Goose* features rod, hand-and-rod and glove puppets and is designed for ages 2 and up. A sensory-friendly performance of the show will take place August 27, continuing the Center’s mission of providing programming for patrons with ASD.

This show is presented in the **Downstairs Theater**, **August 15 – September 17**. Reduced-price previews will take place Tuesday, August 15 and Wednesday, August 16. The show schedule is as follows:

* Thursday – Friday: 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
* Saturday: 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
* Sunday: 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Tickets are **$9.75 (Members)** and **$19.50 (nonmembers) – plus sales tax** and include admission to the show, the *Worlds of Puppetry* Museum (with the largest collection of Jim Henson puppets and artifacts in the world as well as a Global Gallery), and entrance to the Create-A-Puppet Workshop™, where guests can make and decorate their own **Jumping Cow Shadow Puppet** and perform with it on the classroom stage. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.puppet.org](http://www.puppet.org) or by calling **404.873.3391**.

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