

Dear Sponsor, Principal, or Community Leader,

Emerald Coast Theatre Company (ECTC) is dedicated to finding new and different ways to serve our community, and especially the children of our community. Larger cities offer children cultural educational opportunities that we do not have many of here on the Emerald Coast. We at ECTC want to change that and are dedicated to creating opportunities for our children to be engaged and inspired through the theatrical arts.

Since our inception, ECTC has offered Theatre for Young Audiences (TYA) through partnerships with Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, the Cultural Arts Alliance of Walton County, The Village of Baytowne Wharf, and HarborWalk Village. TYA is theatre performances specifically designed for the children of our community. Our world is one of electronic distraction. Theatre provides our children with an unplugged experience where they are in the presence of artists creating relatable, real world art right in front of them. In a study by researchers in the University of Arkansas Department of Education Reform they found that "field trips to live theater enhance literary knowledge, tolerance and empathy among students."

This program is vital to our community as ECTC strives to expand the educational and cultural offerings for our children. Will you please join forces with us to make this happen in our community and serve our children in this way?

Sincerely,

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