



Lollipops for Breakfast

A marvelous concoction of friendship, invention, & adventure

ABOUT THE SHOW

You can't have lollipops for breakfast! But today Sylvie decides she's going to break that rule, even if it means she has to make her own amazingly perfect lollipop from scratch. Come along as she and her trusty pet bird search for missing ingredients, wrestle with giant candy machines, and get lost in a magical pop-up cookbook.

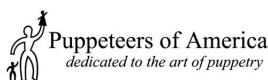


This show features puppetry, physical theater, live music, and fake candy.

About The Gottabees

Puppets! Original music! A Tiny Bit of Acrobatics! Adventure and Invention! The Gottabees started making super fun theater for families in 2013 with the creation of *Squirrel Stole My Underpants* and it's follow-up, *Lollipops for Breakfast*, in 2015. They have since been selling out venues and inspiring homemade puppet shows throughout the US and Canada. **They find it deeply satisfying to create original physical theater so families can do something fun together that allows them all to giggle, gasp, sigh, and cheer in 45 minutes or less.**

Their shows are stories told without words—they embrace the physical and the visual in theater. The result is a poetic, non-linear story that surprises audiences. One thing that makes members of The Gottabees happiest is when they meet children who have seen a show and parents tell them how their child acted out the entire show for weeks after seeing it. This is the core reason why they make theater for young audiences: **The Gottabees want children to know in their hearts that they, too, can make theater wherever they are and whomever they are.**



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This is BRENDAN, TONY, AND BONNIE. They're so glad you're here!

- They will be on stage and might say “hello” to you when you are in your seat.
- Brendan and Tony are musicians in the show. Brendan plays acoustic guitar and music box. Tony plays the upright bass.
- Bonnie is the puppeteer and dancer. She shows the story using actions and emotions. She doesn't speak on stage.

This is a judgment-free environment!

JUST BE YOURSELF...THIS IS CREATED JUST FOR YOU!

Pre-Show Audio Activity

Go to this webpage: <http://www.bonnie-duncan.com/for-presenters.html>

Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on Music Sample, “The Dream” by Brendan Burns and Tony Leva. Play the audio link for your family.

- ☐ What instruments do you think are being played?
- ☐ What do you think might happen while this music plays?
- ☐ How does the music make you feel?
- ☐ Write a story or draw a picture of what you think might happen while this music plays.

These are some moments in the SHOW.

Some moments in the show might surprise you.

It's OK to cover your eyes, close your ears, or take a break in the lobby.



Dreaming of Lollipops

The show begins with Sylvie asleep in her bed. She dreams of lollipops and when she wakes up, she thinks only of candy.



Wake Up Bird

Sylvie wakes up her pet friend, Bird, who waves at you, the audience.



Meet Bird

Sylvie and Bird walk through the audience and wave at people. Bird might wave at you or land near you. He's very soft and gentle.



The Machine

Behind the grey sheet is a Lollipop Making Machine. The machine lights up. Sylvie & Bird make a lollipop, break it, and get mad at each other. Sylvie breaks the machine.



Going into the Machine

Bird and Sylvie dive into the machine. They want to fix it so that it makes colorful lollipops again.



Inside the Machine

Sylvie and Bird appear out of holes in the front of the machine. You will see Sylvie's hand, her foot, and her face. You'll also see Bird twice.



The Book

Bird and Sylvie find a giant cookbook inside the machine. Bird encourages Sylvie to go inside the book to get fruit colors for the lollipop machine.



Pop-Up Cookbook

Sylvie travels through 6 pop-up pages to get fruit colors: a Lollipop Forest, a Giant Flower, A Frozen Pond, A White Landscape, and Purple Mountains. She leaves the book in a rainbow balloon.



The Perfect Lollipop

Bird and Sylvie fix their machine and make the perfect lollipop to share. They are so happy with their success.

**At the end of the show,
YOU CAN MEET BRENDAN, TONY, AND BONNIE.**

When the performance is over, you can clap to show Brendan, Tony, and Bonnie that you liked the show. You can also come to the stage and meet them.

Brendan and Tony will show you their instruments. You can ask them questions. *Only touch instruments if they tell you it's OK.*

You can also meet Bonnie and Bird. You can ask her questions, take your photo with her, and she will show you parts of the set and puppets. *Only touch things if she tells you it's OK.*



A NOTE TO PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

We are so excited to share our work with your family. We hope these materials help you prepare for your day at the theater with us. Below is a link to watch a video of the full performance if you'd like to know exactly what will happen and how it will sound. Please get in touch if you have any questions or suggestions that might help you enjoy this experience more.

*Thanks so much,
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WATCH THE VIDEO: <http://vimeo.com/bonnieduncan/wholelollipops>
PASSWORD: lollipops

