



PURPLE

Bilingual Storytelling Performance

Educational Theatre for Preschool Children by The Learning Connections

PREVIEW PERFORMANCE

More than 100 young friends (ages 3-6 years old) and educators from Twinklekidz' Academy and Cherie Hearts @ Changi Business Park came to watch the pilot performance of **Purple** on 13th July 2016. They were immersed in the live performance and could relate to the characters of the story!

Purple tells the story of Blue as he seeks friends to mix with in the world of colours. Teased by the family of warm colours and left alone by the neutrals, Blue finally stumbles upon the truth of his intrinsic beauty and finds a friend in Red. Inspired by the dynamics in the colour-wheel, this childhood allegory explores the developmental stage of socialisation through key themes of friendship, acceptance, discrimination, and the celebration of diversity.

This heart-warming, interactive and engaging story enabled the children to encounter an exciting journey through a world of colours and personalities with live puppetry, storytelling, drama, music, movements and interactions with the actors to see the possibilities of the imagination come alive!



Actors Meng Jiat, Wendy, Xin Xuan, Deonn and Melissa Chiew (Director)



Purple is produced by The Learning Connections (TLC), a social enterprise that produces minimalist children's theatre that places emphasis on the quality of show delivery, rather than the stage effects. **Purple** is the third show in the Story Box Series.

At TLC, our purpose is for children to enjoy the arts and appreciate the richness that the arts can add to human life. The concept behind our educational theatre shows centers around the child. In our shows, children are not just spectators. They are encouraged to be active PARTICIPANTS, vocally, verbally, physically and imaginatively too. They experience vicariously through the adventures of characters coming to life, and are given opportunities to share their views and suggest ideas to the actors during the enactment of the performance.

TLC's aim is to reach out to as many children as possible, regardless of their backgrounds and abilities, to participate and watch performances that they can connect with and are meaningful to them. We choose to create a non-intimidating environment where there is no formal boundary between the actors and the audience. It is a community space for everyone. We just want the audience to connect with the actors, to feel, think, laugh, dance, applaud and speak out. Our greatest goal is to give children a meaningful, authentic and memorable theatre experience!

Purple is staged from 18th – 22nd July and 27th July 2016 only!