

Rain Rain

VISUAL STORY



You'll be visiting a theatre to see a group of actors from **Bamboozle Theatre Company** performing a play called *Pulse*.



This is **George**.
In the play George plays **Zach**.



Zach is a storyteller and plays playing the kalimba and wash tub bass.



This is **Ravi**.
In the play Ravi plays **Clanky Jane**.



Clanky Jane arrives with her "**Cloud-O-Matic**" Machine.



This is **Kayleigh**.
In the play Kayleigh plays **Patience**.



Patience is waiting for it to rain.



This is **Gren**.
In the play Gren plays **Buddy**.



Buddy is a musician. He plays the **banjo**, the **kalimba thumb piano** and the **guitar**.

The Story



- You are going to see a play called **Rain Rain**.

- In the performance space, there will be some crates and sacks for you to sit on if you choose.

- The characters will welcome you into the space and learn your name.

They will be exploring sand in bowls.



- It is OK to get up out of your seat if you need to move around. You can leave the room at any time and come back in when you are ready.



- In the performance space, there will be music playing.



- At the beginning of the play, the actors will sing the Hello song to welcome you.
"Hello, How D'you Do?"



- Zach begins to tell a story. There has been no rain for nearly 10 years. It is very dry.
- There is a girl called Patience who checks bowls for water, but there's only dust and sand. You can play with the sand if you choose.
- Patience is waiting for the rain.



- Patience lives under a shelter near the railroad. She likes to wave at the trains as they pass by.
- You will hear the noise of trains, but you won't see them.



- Bird comes to visit for a few dry cornflakes from Patience's pocket.
- Some noisy crows fly in.
- Patience thinks that Bird wants to learn to how to fly. Bird joins the crows on their perch.
- They try to fly; the crows lift off. Bird lands on the ground. "That's OK, Bird", says Patience, "we'll wait".



- Clanky Jane arrives with a machine called the Cloud-O-Matic.
- The Cloud-O-Matic makes clouds and brings rain.
- The Cloud-O-Matic needs fixing - lots of tubes tumble out of the machine.
- Everyone can explore tubes if they like - the way they move, feel and the sounds they make.
- Patience, Zach and Buddy help Clanky Jane to activate the machine with crazy percussion, and a little bit of magic.



- You will hear the sound of distant thunder rumble.
- A cloud comes out of the Cloud-O-Matic machine. The cloud is a piece of cloth.
- The actors sing the “Rain Rain” song.
- Patience pours rain onto Clanky Jane’s umbrella, which Clanky Jane spins around.



- Patience, Clanky Jane, Zach and Buddy celebrate with a gumboot dance.
- They stamp their feet and clap their hands in time with the music.



- Clanky Jane leaves and Bird returns.
- The crows fly in again. Bird joins them on their perch and tries to fly. But today’s not the day, and that’s OK.



- Zach finishes the story, and you will hear the train again.
- The play finishes with a “Goodbye” song.
- After the show has finished you can leave when you are ready.



Things you will see in *Rain Rain*:



This is a Ines, she is the stage manager and will help during the production.



This is Bird.



This is what the "Cloud-O-Matic" machine looks like.



This is a Kalimba.

It is a small instrument played using thumbs.



This is what the rain pouring onto Clanky Jane's umbrella looks like.

Creative team

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