

# Zoom at Sea

*Dear Choir,*

*Rag & Bone Puppet Theatre is so happy that you're going to be a part of Zoom at Sea at the Shenkman Arts Centre! We're looking forward to seeing you there, and to hearing you sing. Here are a few reminders, and a schedule of what to expect.*

## **One hour before the show:**

- Arrive at the Richcraft Theatre of Shenkman Arts Centre (245 Centrum Blvd, Orléans). There will be a Rag & Bone table in the lobby downstairs where parents can drop off choir members and pick up or buy tickets. The boxoffice will open 45 minutes before the show.
- A Rag & Bone member will take students and teachers to the dressing room to drop off coats etc.
- Students will line up and follow their teacher to the stage, where they will sit on risers.
- Practice the 3 songs. Stand up to sing, watch choir director. When song is over, sit.

## **Half hour before the show:**

Students will go back to dressing rooms. Use the bathroom if necessary.

## **Ten minutes before the show:**

Audience goes into theatre.

## **Five minutes before the show:**

Choir lines up **quietly** again and follows teacher to risers. Don't sit down. Stay standing up.

## **Showtime!**

John reminds audience: no cell phones or cameras.

☞ Choir sings *Barges* or *Fiddlers Green*, then sits to watch show.

## **About 20 minutes after the start of show:**

Zoom (John) says, *"Whee! I'm skating on the Arctic ice!"*

## **Choir stands up.**

John & Kathy say: *"Zoom let the wind twirl him around. Birds circled laughing. Seals barked and clapped."*

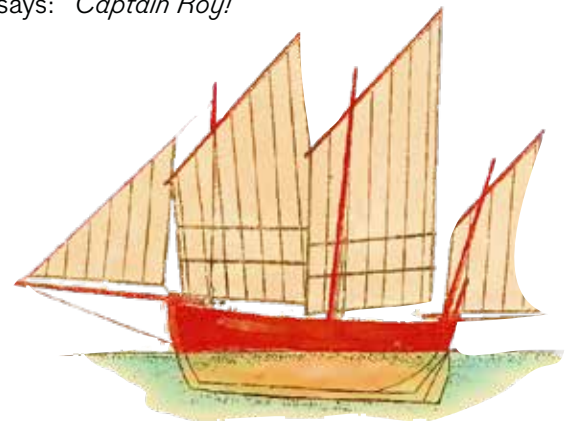
Zoom says, *"I didn't feel cold anymore. It was just like the Christmas holidays!"*

☞ Choir sings *Christmas is a Comin'*, then sits to watch show.

## **About 40 minutes after the start of show:**

Show is almost over. Captain Roy appears. Kathy says: *"Captain Roy!"*

☞ Choir **stands up**.



Captain Roy says, *"Welcome aboard! You're just in time for a bowl of grog."*

Kathy says, *"Zoom couldn't speak for smiling."*

Captain Roy says, *"Well, we've got quite the trip ahead of us."*

Zoom says, *"Where to?"*

Captain Roy says, *"Upstream, to search for the source of the Nile. Are you game, my small friend?"*

Zoom says, *"Yes!"*

🎵 Choir sings *Roll the Old Chariot Along*.

After the song, all bow, and pose for photos. Then go back to dressing room, get coats from dressing room.

### **One hour after the start of show:**

Meet parents in lobby outside theatre. (At the same table.)

### **Don't forget:**

- Choir clothes. Either wear them or bring them.
- Indoor shoes.
- Don't bring anything else (toys, books or valuables). They might get lost or stolen.
- Eat before you come. Don't come hungry.
- Line up quietly backstage.
- Watch the show with your best audience manners: you're on stage and everyone can see you.

And don't forget to have fun! We know you'll enjoy the show, and the audience will be so happy to hear your singing. Thank you for being a part of the choir!

### **[Tickets and more info at ragandbone.ca](http://ragandbone.ca)**

Tickets are \$10 each or 4 for \$32. The show is free for choir members. Everyone else (older than one year old) needs a ticket. You can buy or reserve tickets on our website, **[ragandbone.ca](http://ragandbone.ca)**, and pick them up at the door. (We don't mail out tickets.) Be sure to select the right performance for your school. Seating is first come first served.

*Kathy MacLellan & John Nolan (puppeteers)*

*Russell Levia (musician) and Zoom (the cat)*

