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LAKE ERIE NATURE & SCIENCE CENTER TEAMS UP WITH PLAYHOUSE SQUARE HANDS-ON NATURE PROGRAMS AND LIVE PERFORMANCES BUNDLED FOR DOUBLE FUN

An exciting collaboration dubbed “Playhouse Square, *Naturally*,” will provide natural fun at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center AND tickets for exciting, family-friendly Playhouse Square performances with a shared theme. At “The Very Hungry Caterpillar, *Naturally*” on Sunday, December 6, children ages 3 - 6 WITH one adult will hear the famous story and come to understand caterpillars in a whole new way through crafts, videos and fun activities at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center.

The \$35 program fee INCLUDES the one hour Center program for two participants (one child and one adult) and two tickets for the sold out “Very Hungry Caterpillar and Other Eric Carle Favorites” production at Playhouse Square. Tickets are Mezzanine seating for the 2 p.m. show on Saturday, January 16, 2010. Space is limited and registration must be completed by November 9! A limited number of additional tickets are available for purchase by program participants only.

The Center is also offering bundled programs that include exclusive advance priority seating for the *International Children’s Festival* coming to Playhouse Square in the spring. Tickets for two Festival performances on May 8, 2010 are included with either of two Lake Erie Nature & Science Center programs.

Families can choose one of two age appropriate Center programs. “The Man Who Planted Trees, *Naturally*” for children ages 7 – 9 and Grades 2 – 4 on Sunday, March 7 from 1 - 2:30 p.m. will include a tree to take home and nurture. “Farfalle, *Naturally*” for children ages 3 - 6 WITH one adult, on Sunday, March 7 from 1 - 2:30 p.m., will explore the mysteries of farfalle (Italian for butterflies) with the Center’s resident butterfly expert. The \$35 per child and \$20 per adult price for either program includes tickets for TWO shows on May 8, 2010: “The Man Who Planted Trees” at Noon or 3 p.m. and “Farfalle” at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. OR 4 p.m.

Playhouse Square describes “The Man Who Planted Trees” as an entertaining adaptation of a beloved fable, that blends puppetry and comedy to tell the inspiring story of a French shepherd who sets out—with his very lively dog—to plant a forest and transform a barren wasteland. In the exclusive Italian production of “Farfalle,” the audience is immersed in music, digital images and butterflies and is invited to enter the scene; to move among images which react to their gestures and movement. Because of the interactive nature of the show, seating is extremely limited!

Although the programs and shows take place in the spring, this is an advance ticket package that must be purchased by December 18. Check the Center’s website at www.lensc.org or call 440-871-2900 for more information.