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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Fair Citizens of Fulton County! The Center for Puppetry Arts announces Free Museum Saturdays for all Fulton County residents on the first Saturday of every month! Need a Fraggie fix? A Labyrinth look? A shadow puppet peek? Now's your chance to experience the Center's plethora of puppets ABSOLUTELY FREE!

All eligible Fulton County patrons will all receive FREE admission to our museum exhibitions. Admission does not include performances or workshops. Eligible participants may purchase tickets for performances and workshops on Free Museum Saturdays at a 25% discount, subject to availability.

Eligibility requirements:

- Fulton County residents
- Students attending a school/university in Fulton County
- Fulton County government employees with proper I.D.

In addition to the Center's permanent collection, "Puppets: The Power of Wonder," the largest collection of global puppetry in the nation, the museum features three special exhibits featuring the art of Jim Henson: "Jim Henson: Wonders From His Workshop," "Jim Henson: A Man and His Frog," and "Jim Henson: Puppeteer." These exhibits offer an unprecedented look inside the mind of one of the greatest puppet artists of all time and feature some of the most beloved puppets ever created, including Big Bird, Kermit the Frog, Rowlf the Dog, Ernie, and the Swedish Chef.

Dates for Free Museum Saturdays are: January 8*, February 5, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4

**(Note: Due to the Center closing on New Year's Day, the inaugural Fulton Free Saturday will be held on 01/08/10, the second Saturday of January. All remaining dates fall on the first Saturday of the month.)*

Free museum admission is available to eligible, walk-up patrons only and is subject to availability. This offer is not available via phone or website.

About the Center for Puppetry Arts

The Center for Puppetry Arts® is a unique cultural treasure – a magical place where children and adults are educated, enlightened, and entertained. Since 1978, the Center has introduced millions of visitors to the wonder and art of puppetry and has touched the lives of many through enchanting performances, curriculum-based workshops, and the hands-on Museum as well as Distance Learning and Outreach programs. Center for Puppetry Arts is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization and is supported in part by contributions from corporations, foundations, government agencies, and individuals.

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