

Office of TIGER Educational Theatre Program

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TIGER (Theatre Integrating Guidance, Education and Responsibility), which is celebrating their 16th season, is a professional theatre company based at Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH which is designed to help children, schools, parents and communities deal proactively and positively with social issues and concerns facing children in schools today. Based on the anonymous writings of school children, TIGER incorporates live actors, theatre, movement and music into its productions to try and reach school audiences with important messages children need to hear.

Since its debut in 2002, the company has toured to over 450 different schools some repeatedly for over 530,000 children across New England. Co-founder and Artistic Director, Trish Lindberg, Ph.D., is a Professor in the Education Department at Plymouth State and Coordinator of Integrated Arts Programs. The TIGER productions are created from children's writings by Lindberg, the TIGER actors and several composers who work with the educational theatre company. Supported by Plymouth State University, TIGER is a collaborative effort between the M.Ed. programs in Integrated Arts and Counselor Education Graduate programs at Plymouth State University.

The NH public television pilot, "TIGER takes on Bullying" which premiered In September 2012 won an *Emmy®* award for best produced "Children/Youth Program" from the Boston/New England Academy of Television Arts and Sciences in June 2013.

Please visit NHPTV.org/tiger for all the exciting news about this collaboration between Plymouth State University and NHPTV.

Our Productions include "Kindness Counts, (K-5) premiered in Fall 2019 which celebrates the importance of showing kindness to ourselves and others. The second production "Brand New Day!" (K-5) encourages young people to be more resilient and stand up for themselves and others

Children throughout New England have had the opportunity to watch these positive messages by professional actors through the arts in a manner that children can understand as TIGER continues to reach out to schools with its original performances created from the voices of the children themselves.

TIGER has also performed at the state level for the New Hampshire Department of Education, regionally for the New England Theatre Conference (NETC), nationally for the American Alliance for Theatre and Education (AATE), and Internationally for the National Drama International Conference at Durham University in Durham, England, the ASSITEJ International Festival of Children's Theatre in Cairo, Egypt and most recently at the IDEA World Congress 2013 in Paris, France.

For more information about TIGER or booking a TIGER performance at your school, please visit our website at go.plymouth.edu/tiger or contact TIGER Tour Manager, Pam Irish at pmirish@plymouth.edu or at 1-603-535-2647.