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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Fratello Marionettes featured at children's dinner theater**

Fratello Marionettes will be featured at the Stanislaus County Library's Children's Dinner Theater program, Wednesday, Sept. 19, at 6:30 p.m. The program will be held in the downstairs auditorium of the Modesto Library, located at 1500 I Street.

The Fratello Marionettes present an interactive presentation on the art of puppetry - from creation to manipulation. The performance includes hand puppets, rod puppets, and specialized trick marionettes. After each vignette, the performer demonstrates an aspect of the puppet building process. The presentation ends with a look behind the scenes. A question and answer session will follow the demonstration.

"Children's Dinner Theater is a wonderful opportunity to introduce children to the joys of live theater performance and the pleasure of reading," said Librarian Sharon Arpoika, head of children's services.

The dinner theater format is designed for families with children age six and up. Families bring their own picnic or fast food dinner. Coffee and punch are provided. Dinner begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. and the performance begins at 7 p.m. Space is limited. Free advance tickets are required and are available now in the Modesto Children's Library. Children's Dinner Theater is sponsored by the Stanislaus County Library Foundation, through a grant from Omega Nu. For more information, please contact the Modesto Children's Library at 558-7810.

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