



Citations of Excellence

Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia's productions of *SWIMMY, FREDERICK & INCH BY INCH* and *THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR & OTHER ERIC CARLE FAVOURITES* have both been awarded *UNIMA-USA's* Citation of Excellence, one of North America's most prestigious awards in the field of puppetry. Founded in 1966, UNIMA-USA is the North American Center of Union Internationale de la Marionnette, the oldest international theatre organization in the world, established in 1929. Formal presentation of the award will take place at the Puppeteers of America Southwest Regional Festival on July 15-18th, 2010 in Wilmington, NC.

Since 1975 UNIMA-USA has awarded Citations of Excellence that recognize and reward the best of the puppetry arts as performed in that country. The Citations are awarded to shows that touch their audiences deeply; that totally engage, enchant and enthrall. In meeting the criteria for excellent puppetry, Citation-worthy shows must also stand as prime examples of excellent theatre.