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- K- 12 Assemblies
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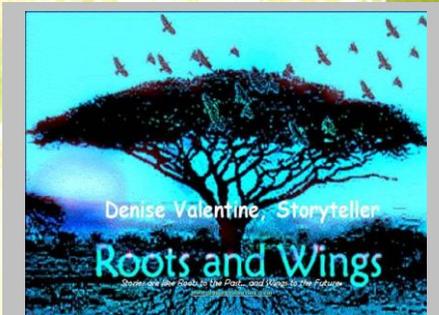
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*Stories are like Roots
that Connect us to the Past... and
Wings that Carry us into the
Future*

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ABOUT THE STORYTELLER



Denise Valentine
@ Philadelphia Museum of Art
Photo by Mark Garvin

Denise Valentine's storytelling performance illustrates the power of story to transcend differences between people, inspire hope, and transform negativity. She tells stories that emphasize the dignity of life, the power of the human spirit and the interrelatedness of life.

The storyteller delights audiences with traditional folktales from around the world flavored with colorful people, talking animals, humor, suspense and action; all brought to life with music and movement and a captivating voice.

STORYTELLING

The Oral Tradition, Its Modern Uses

- *Storytelling* is an oral art form as ancient as the civilizations of the world, yet, relevant to our time and place.
- *Storytelling* motivates reading and helps to develop listening, language, visualization and literacy skills. It is entertainment that provides a means of transmitting positive values.
- *Storytelling* forges heart-to-heart ties between people by encouraging appreciation of one's own identity as well as understanding and appreciation of the diversity of people, ideas, and cultural traditions of the world.

Storytelling for Fun! (For Tots – Pre-teen)

Storytelling for Cultural Literacy (Pre-teen to Adult)

Storytelling for Peace, Conflict Resolution, and Ecological Sustainability

Storytelling for Recovery and Empowerment (Young Adults/Adults)

Historytelling - Storytelling for historical interpretation

Unifying, Hope Inspiring



Denise Valentine
@ Philadelphia Interfaith Festival
Photo by Frank Toia

Denise Valentine made her storytelling debut with **Keepers of the Culture, Inc. (KOTC)** in 1997. Since then, Ms. Valentine has performed for audiences of all ages at hundreds of schools, libraries, museums and community events. In 2004, with a Leeway award, she traveled to South Africa to study the preservation of folktale traditions.

Currently, she is on the roster of the **Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, Arts in Education Directory for Southeast Pennsylvania,** and the **Pennsylvania Humanities Council's Commonwealth Speakers Bureau.**