

### EDUTAINMENT MENU & PRICES

**ONLINE IN PERSON\*** 

90-Minute Classes from off the Shelf (under 40 people)

starting at starting at \$2,000 \$500

90-Minute Classes from off the Shelf (over 40 people)

starting at \$600 starting at \$2,500

Adult Shelf Classes available include (detailed descriptions on next pages):

- The History of Toilets Our POPULAR fast-paced toilet class journeying through time
- Sewers, Fatbergs, and YOU! All about how sewers work and why fatbergs suck
- An Environmental Hero A superhero story where toilets save the environment
- The Safety of Public Toilets Framing public toilets as a social justice issue
- In Defense of Bidets The history of bidets and why they are the best
- Taming Toilets: An Intro to Plumbing A lesson on the plumbing career and its tasks
- Sanitation is a Women's Issue Explaining how women rights include sanitation
- Infectious Diseases & Toilets Exploring how toilets prevent diseases over time

90-Minute Custom-Made Classes

starting at

starting at

\$1,000

\$3,100

Custom-Made Classes (other lengths)

starting at \$1,000

starting at \$2,600

\* Please note that in-person costs include travel/commuting costs

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## CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Adult Shelf Classes available include:

### • The History of Toilets (90 minutes)

Contrary to popular belief, Thomas Crapper did not invent the toilet. But who did? Better yet, when did people first start using toilets? And were they anything like the toilets we know today? This class will explore the long and fascinating history of toilets, from ancient Mesopotamia to today. We will walk through the not-so-short history and learn things like: why we should be grateful for Queen Elizabeth I, how toilets have been useful in wars, and the best reasons to visit Japan and Malaysia. We will also learn about how even in current times, toilets are not so common as we often think they are, why that is is, and what is being done about it - from Cambodia to San Francisco. Of course, we will also tastefully touch on how you can better your toilet experience in your own home and on the road. The class will be partly interactive, so bring all of your most curious questions and taboo tales.

• Lessons from the History of Toilets (5-week course with 120-minute sessions)

In this 5-session course, we dive deep into the lessons we can learn from the history of toilets. With these lessons, we will be able to help change the public dialogue about one of the most important parts of everyone's day, and how to make it more accessible for everyone, everywhere. In this class, participants will learn the following lessons - each class will have its own lesson to review. The lessons include: more people, more toilets; history isn't linear; history are steeped in privilege; humans aren't good at toilets; and, toilet problems are everywhere in the world.

Sewers, Fatbergs, and YOU! (90 minutes)

Have you ever wondered what happens after you flush the toilet? You're not alone - loads of people don't know what happens after the porcelain throne and in the sewers. It's not all crappy, promise! In this funny and tasteful class, we'll explore the pipes under our streets; there is a whole system of pipes that are managed after the toilet flushes. In a brief journey through the sewer and drainage system of NYC, we will walk through the sanitation systems that keep our city going. We'll also get knee-deep learning about fatbergs, as seen in the recent NYC DEP subway ads. We'll discuss what fatbergs are, what we've done to make them possible...and what we should do to make them go away.

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#### • An Environmental Hero (90 minutes)

The world seems rife with environmental crises and it can often feel like it's hard to find a hero to champion nature and our ecosystems. But what if there is one hero we can point to who can contribute to cleaning up our planet in a significant way? This class will explore how sanitation can free the environment from pollutants and protect places vulnerable to climate change. We will review what kinds of problems we have in the world - from pollution to climate change - and discuss how toilets help address some of these issues. We'll learn about our villain - undermanaged waste - and how it can unravel sanitation efforts, highlighting current events. Finally, we'll discover the dark side of the toilet, which could make all of its environmental efforts come crashing down. Don't worry - the toilet hero's journey has a happy ending and we will explore the future of how toilets can be a powerful ally in the environmental revolution.

### • The Safety of Public Toilets (90 minutes)

Public toilets are what help give people the ability to take care of themselves while out in the public sphere, and we all need them. While they may not be new, they still are not as common as many as we would like, and different kinds of people may not feel safe using public toilets. Has this always been the case? This class will explore how public toilets should be safe spaces for everyone. With a social justice focus, we will learn a brief history of public toilets and whether everyone used them in distant and not-so-distant times. We will also learn about who public toilets have really been built for, and what groups still struggle to find safety in public bathrooms, with a focus on the US and good examples in Europe and Asia we could try. We will finish up by understanding how we can keep public toilets safe - and open! - during public health crises such as a pandemic.

### • In Defense of Bidets (60 minutes)

Did you hear about bidets on Saturday Night Live once, but aren't entirely sure what they are? You're not alone. Bidets are not a recent phenomenon in the world, but the US has been reluctant to adopt them. A lot of people think they're gross. Others aren't entirely sure what's the point of using a bidet. This class aims to change your mind, walking through time to learn about the origins of bidets and what other things people use to clean up in the bathroom. We then discuss the benefits - and hangups - of using bidets in the modern urban world. We'll talk about why bidets haven't quite become en vogue in the Americas. We'll talk politely about how to actually use a bidet. And...we'll talk about how to get your landlord okay with you installing a bidet.

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## CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Adult Shelf Classes available include:

### • <u>Taming Toilets: An Intro to Plumbing (90 minutes)</u>

Other than Super Mario Brothers, what do you know about plumbing? There's surprisingly a lot to learn about this fascinating world! Come learn about an ancient profession that keeps our lives functioning smoothly from behind the scenes. In this class, we will learn what exactly is plumbing - it's a larger field than you might think! We will also explore the long history of plumbing and the days of the plumbing boom in the US. We will discuss why we have a plumber shortage, and why it may be the career you never thought you wanted. We'll end it with a brief crash course on tapping your inner plumber to tame your toilet. The class will be partly interactive, so bring all of your most curious questions and whacky pipe dreams.

### • Sanitation is a Women's Issue (60 minutes)

In this social justice class, learn about how sanitation is a women's issue, and how the future of sanitation is feminist. We'll cover access to toilets at home, at work, in school, and in public spaces. We'll also talk about menstrual hygiene and how to make it a topic we discuss more in society.

### • Infectious Diseases & Toilets (60 minutes)

We discuss the relationship between infectious disease and access to toilets. We explore the importance of toilets, its role in spreading infectious disease throughout history, and different kinds used to decrease the spread of disease, as well as how different countries rank in toilet access.

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### CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Children Shelf Classes (CURRENTLY 60 MINUTES ON OUTSCHOOL) include:

#### • Toilet Basics

This is a short and sweet, animated class to teach young children the basics about toilets, including why we have them, and what happens after we flush - on Earth and also in space! We have these classes available for children in age groups 3-6 and 7-10.

#### • Toilets & The Environment

This class explores how the toilet can free the environment from major pollutants and protect places that are vulnerable to climate change. We'll learn about our hero's villain - under-managed waste - and how it can unravel much of the success of sanitation efforts. This class is available for high school students (age group 14-18).

### • Plumbing Basics

This class explains the basics of plumbing, including what plumbing entails and its long history. During the class, participants also learn about the journey of plumping pipes outside of the home. At the end, we will explore ways to grow the inner plumber in all of us with some basic practical knowledge about keeping our plumbed pipes healthy without needing to call a plumber. This class is available for middle school students (age group 10-13).

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