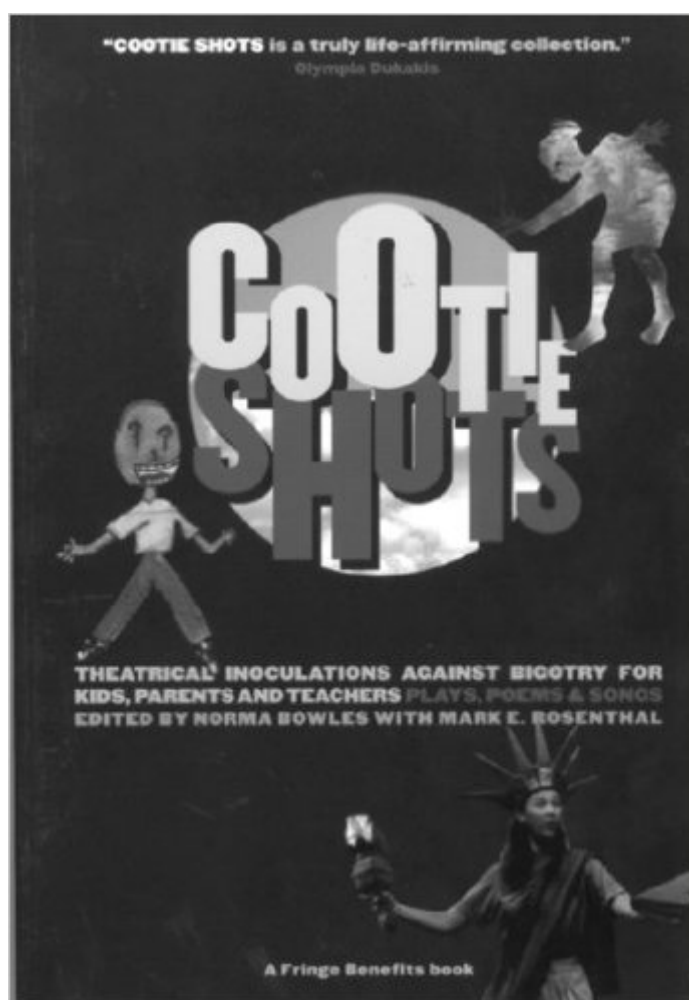


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# Cootie Shots: Theatrical Inoculations Against Bigotry For Kids, Parents, And Teachers (A Fringe Benefits Project)



## Synopsis

For nearly two years, Fringe Benefits, a team of professional artists, teachers, parents and youth, have been working to concoct Cootie Shots, a delicious assortment of plays, songs and interactive performance pieces that promote tolerance and celebrate diversity by presenting role models of people of many different races, classes, genders, abilities, sexual orientations, religions, shapes and sizes. In all, Cootie Shots is comprised of about 50 2-15 minute educational plays for Elementary School audiences. The lessons covered are:

- o Love is what makes a family
- o Children should feel free to play with whatever toys appeal to them, study whatever subjects interest them and choose career paths unhindered by gender stereotypes
- o Name-calling is never acceptable
- o Putting people down because how they look and whom they love is neither kind nor fair.

The cast of characters includes: Rapunzel, Rosa Parks, Cesar Chavez, Harvey Milk, Emily Dickinson, Alexander the Great, The Statue of Liberty and more!

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## Customer Reviews

This book will capture your imagination and inspire you at the same time. Every page offers a new surprise and new unexpected delight! This is the "Free to Be You and Me" for a new generation. It speaks to children and adults both while never talking down to either of them. I highly recommend this book to anyone who is interested in bringing smart and fun theatre to children. Plus the artwork is fabulous!

This incredible book is not only an amazing tool for getting kids to open up about and annihilate prejudices of all kinds, it's also wildly funny, at times, very moving, and a joy just to look at. With gorgeous photos and artwork by both children and adults, "Cootie Shots" is an anthology of theatre and poetry for everyone. Some pieces are from emerging artists, some are from pros like Tony Kushner (Angels in America). When I got my copy I expected just another trite collection of writing "for kids". Finally there's a theatre book on the market for kids with DEPTH. BE SURE to check it out!

I rated this book 4 out of 5 (with 5 being the best) because it had a little bit of bad language. Besides that I thought the book was great! It really made me think about how other people can be different and that you shouldn't tease, make fun, or judge them differently, when you really don't know them. I learned that you should always respect people because of who they are. I would recommend this book to bullies, people who get bullied, and people who like to read about standing up for yourself and appreciating who you are. I'm really glad I read the book.

I'm a pre-service teacher and this book was suggested to me by my language arts methods professor. It's a wonderful book for addressing multiculturalism in the classroom and does so through poetry, plays, personal narratives, etc. You have to be cautious of what you give to certain age groups, but it is all useful. The book came as scheduled and was in great condition.

This is a wonderful book for ANYONE interested in children's theatre and civics education. The writing is sensational--and the subject matter is timely, meaningful, and handled with great care. Don't miss the Islamic grandmother and the snake!

The real effect will be to confuse children about gender differences, and encourage cross-dressing. This could be the first step in confusing children about their sexual identity. This is one example out of the volumes of material being produced and pumped into our schools by well-funded groups like GLSEN.

This was one of the few books for middle school that addressed social issues through poetry and skits. Great reads!

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