DANCE OF THE FOUR SEASONS

SETTING THE STAGE

Mother Earth puppets in costumes depicting the seasons made from recycled materials

Summer				
Percussion instruments made of recycled and repurposed materials				
ling tubes and fabric Brushing sounds on drums				
(Narrator or all voices announcing each season as each puppet enters and dances across the stage) Children in front with streamers and bells				
Yellow streamers and bells				
White and silver streamers and bells				
Orange, red and gold streamers and bells				

We honor the gifts each season brings

Narrator:	Seasons come and seasons go			
	Sun and rain and wind and snow			
	Rivers flowing	(Blue banr	ners waving)	
	Winds are blowing	(White an	d silver streamers swirling)	
	Changes of the seasons showing Birdsongs floating on the air		(Rainbow streamers)	
			(Native American flute or recorder)	

ALL: The gifts of nature for all to share

(SPRING)

Spring arrives with April showers The world awakes to green and flowers

(SUMMER)

Summer sunshine Golden hours Gardens are growing in a rainbow of colors

(AUTUMN)

Autumn ...red yellow and orange replaces green The most radiant colors we've ever seen

(WINTER)

Winter winds bring icy dreams Silent snow and frozen streams

ALL: The gifts of nature for all to share

THE SEASONS CHANGE AND REARRANGE

NARRATOR: The Seasons Change and Rearrange

(Spring)

Lavender lilacs and grasshoppers green The secrets of springtime with magic unseen Soft pussy willows and the robin's first song Raindrops and rainbows to springtime belong.

ALL: The seasons change and rearrange What will summer bring?

(SUMMER)

Warm summer sunshine brings long golden hours For fishing and swimming and gardens of flowers Blue skies above us and song birds in flight Butterflies dancing in the dawns early light.

ALL: The seasons change and rearrange What will autumn bring?

(AUTUMN)

Days turning colder, leaves red and gold Like an artist with paintbrush the colors unfold Food to be gathered, the north wind does call Everyone rejoicing the harvest of fall.

All: The seasons change and rearrange What will winter bring?

(WINTER)

The forest is sleeping beneath a blanket of snow Animals warm in their nests down below

Frost covered branches, the trees on the hill Like glistening diamonds stand silent and still.

ALL: The seasons change and rearrange Bringing gifts to us all year.

Carolyn Booth Stanson