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A jester: quotation

Bear in mind also ... that as children only do we laugh, and as we travel onward laughter sinks down and dies out, like the light of the oil-lit lamp.
Quotation from: Droll Stories. Author: Honoré de Balzac (1799-1850), French journalist and writer.

Illustration: *A jester*, someone who plays the fool and ridicules others. Usually a hunchback. The jester often holds a fool's bauble in his hand and wears a cap'n'bells on his head. Bells hang from his suit and the floppy peaks of his cap. Many comical main characters from folk puppet theatre wear costumes based on the jester's suit.

Would you like to learn even more about international folk and mainstream puppet theatre figures and about artists who were inspired by puppet theatre?
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Doepak presents some unusual theatre forms, far beyond the confines of our own fantasy! Doepak is a cheerful, educational and colourful Dutch-language newsletter packed with background information about 1 folk and mainstream puppet theatre. In this newsletter and scribblings you can also read about all kinds of activities in the Puppetry Museum such as which exhibitions are on show, whether new books were issued, and how the website is developing. The Dutch verbs of 'doen' (do) and 'pakken' (take) are hidden in the name of the Doepak newsletter. This name was composed for good reason, because you are supposed to 'do' and 'take' things yourself. The name 'Doepak' is also the phonetic transcription in Dutch of the Czech word dupák. A dupák is a rod marionette and trick puppet. Where the dupák swings his arms wide as he twirls around, Doepak embraces the international world of puppetry and related arts with its hints and tips, questions and answers, illustrations and DIY activities. In Slovakian and Hungarian puppet theatre the dupák is called Paprika Jancsi.