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INSPIRED CHILDREN'S EVENTS

*13 Ways to Entertain at Your Next Kids Party*



*When it comes to party entertainment for kids, engagement is the name of the game!!*

Let me first start out by saying, I have nothing against face painting and balloons. I love face painting and balloons. The kids always love it too and it's fun for them but, they're add-ons, not the main attraction! Why would I say that?! Think about it - the kids need to wait in line to do these things and they're not actively *doing* anything if we're being honest. They're standing and waiting while the person either paints their face or twists their balloon. Great end results in both cases but these are add-on services not main attraction.

Here are my top picks for entertainment. Keep this list handy!! Also remember that any of these services can be themed. If you're using a good company they will ask for the theme of your party and tweak their act to match.

Entertainment is my #1 "hack" for making your party a HUGE success! Research your vendors and splurge on good quality entertainment.

- *Magic show*
- *Dress up & photos (full dress up costumes and role playing w/ instructors and helpers)*
- *Princess or character visit*
- *Bubble show (sometimes referred to as a bubble magician)*
- *Art projects - actually hire an art company to come in and do art with the kids. The projects can be themed!!*
- *Music show w/ guest participation*
- *Dance show and instruction (Ballet, hula, tap, etc.)*
- *Tumbling Act w/ instruction*
- *Puppet Show*
- *Petting Zoo and Pony Rides*
- *Kids cooking instruction and cookie decorating*
- *Kids DJ*
- *BOUNCY HOUSE – (What can I say, the kids love them!)*

*TIP - For a traditional 2-hour party you need at least 1 of the above and 1 add-on, so there's your face painting and balloons ;)*

Happy Planning,

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