

the word *theater* comes from the Greek word *theatron*, meaning "seeing place."

# T H E A T R E

В презентации использованы материалы  
электронной энциклопедии "Microsoft Encarta 2006"

**These two masks have come to symbolize the theater and its two major dramatic categories, comedy and tragedy.**



**Theater, one of the oldest and most popular forms of entertainment, in which actors perform live for an audience on a stage or in an other space designated for the performance.**



# DRAMA



Scene from Marat/Sade

This scene is from the Royal Shakespeare Company's 1966 production of a play by Peter Weiss called *The Persecution and Assassination of Jean-Paul Marat as Performed by the Inmates of the Asylum of Charenton under the Direction of the Marquis de Sade*.

# TRAGEDY



**Modern Production of Oedipus Rex**

The National Theater of Greece staged this production of the ancient Greek tragedy by Sophocles in 2000 at the Colosseum in Rome.

# COMEDY



**A Midsummer Night's Dream**

Fairies emerge from doorways in space, and Bottom's bed hangs suspended before the moon in this 1998 production of A Midsummer Night's Dream at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon.

# OPERA



**La Traviata at La Scala**

Opera, drama in which the text is set to music and staged. The texts of operas are sung, with singing and stage action nearly always given instrumental accompaniment.

# BALLET



Tchaikovsky's The Nutcracker



# PUPPET THEATRE



Marionettes