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ARI PROJECT: Performing Arts An Evening of Puppet Shows

featuring One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater



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- ▶ Title : ARI PROJECT: Performing Arts “An Evening of Puppet Shows”
 - ▶ Date: Friday, January 26, 2018 at 7:30pm
 - ▶ Place: Korean Cultural Center, Los Angeles 3rd Fl. Ari Hall
 - ▶ Presenters : Korean Cultural Center, LA (KCCLA) &
One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater
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The Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles (KCCLA) and One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater will present a special performance, "**An Evening of Puppet Shows**", on Friday, January 26, 2018 at 7:30P.M. on the 3rd floor of the Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles in the Ari Hall.

An Evening of Puppet Shows with One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater features live music and variety of puppet forms including giant puppets, rod puppets, shadow puppets and toy theater in unique puppet shows for all ages.

1) ***Into the Water***, inspired by the Korean folktale Shim Chong, a small puppet show with live Pansori, celebrating kindness, courage and renewed vision.

2) ***Roar! Tiger***, a fun filled multicultural tale celebrating friendship and cultural diversity.

One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater is a group of artists, musicians, performers and educators who draw from the rich ancient tradition of puppet and mask art -- to share the ordinary/extraordinary stories of everyday people, reclaim and celebrate the wealth of cultures, traditions and folklore, and build communities while creating theatrical rituals and processions that explore the hopes, dreams and challenges of these times. Since its establishment in 2001, One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater has performed and provided hundreds of puppet workshops in the greater Los Angeles area.

Participating artists include ***Puppeteers:*** Beth Peterson, Jamie Kim, Raul Cardona, Deanie Panganoran, Ezra Sky, ***Narrator:*** Rona Par Miyasaki, ***Music by:*** Juni Lee, Severin Behnen.

**This performance is presented as a part of the Korean Cultural Center's ARI PROJECT Season: Performing arts series, which features a rich program of various performing arts programs including Korean traditional music and dance, modern fusion world music, Jazz, royal court tea ceremonies, puppet shows as well as theater.*

-PROGRAM-

1. Multicultural Tale (20 mim.)

Roar! Tiger - a fun-filled multicultural tale celebrating friendship and cultural diversity.

Los Angeles represents multiplicity of languages, cultures and ways of life. Diversity is our strength and beauty. Through the eyes of a young Korean Tiger who travels from Korea to America --where she meets a Jaguar friend-- audience learns the value of

overcoming differences to become good friends. This show is part of the on-going Korean Tiger adventure series called ***Tiger Baekdu and Folk-Art Magic*** through which kids and adults are encouraged to see themselves and others as part of the beautiful diversity of LA! Audience will enjoy a mix of folk art style puppets and drumming.

2. Korean Folk Tale (35 mim.)

Into the Water - Inspired by the story of Shim Chong

A puppet show accompanied by live Pansori and contemporary music

In this story we follow the adventures of a young girl as she enters a quest to save her father and the earth as she journeys to the deepest ocean, discovers immense mysteries, and carries that knowledge back to the land she loves. This family-friendly puppet show features live Pansori and contemporary music and a variety of puppet forms including giant puppets, rod puppets, shadow puppets and toy theater.

※ *The program is subject to change without notice.*



<Artists>

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Jamie Kim, Raul Cardona,
Deanie Panganoran and Ezra
Sky

Narrator: Rona Par Miyasaki

Music by: Juni Lee and
Severin Behnen



Beth Peterson (Puppeteer & Director) Beth Peterson, Founder & Director of One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater is a puppet and mask artist who has designed and created Giant puppets, masks, puppet shows and processions for a variety of events including: The Music Center, The Skirball Cultural Center, Center Theater Group and Teatro Campesino, The World Festival of Toy Theater, Inner City Arts Rosenthal Theater, Leimert Park Ancestor Mask Festival, South Coast Repertory Theater, and the Gwacheon Hanmadang Theater Festival in South Korea.



Jamie Kim (Puppeteer & Producer) Jamie Kim is a puppet and mask artist specializing in multicultural tales told with a mix of folk puppets. She explores traditional arts, rituals and stories of peoples and animals to create puppet shows and workshops for diverse communities. She is trained in traditional Korean folk art, drumming and a wide array of puppet/mask build & performances. Member of the One Grain of Sand Puppet Theater since 2001.

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