

Saturday, May 10, 2025 • 11AM & 1PM KOGOD THEATRE AT THE CLARICE SMITH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



# ALEX AND OLMSTED: MILO THE MAGNIFICENT®

### **CREATIVE TEAM:**

Directors: Alex and Olmsted Performers: Alex Vernon and Sarah Olmsted Thomas Puppet Makers: Alex and Olmsted Scenography: Alex and Olmsted Original Light Designer: Michael Lamason Costume Designer: Alex and Olmsted Dramaturg: Alex and Olmsted Production Director and Tour Booking: Alex and Olmsted Administration: Alex and Olmsted Producer: Alex and Olmsted with help from the Jim Henson Foundation and the Greenbelt Community Foundation

### MUSIC:

Happy Go Lively • Laurie Johnson Workaday World • Jack Beaver Window Gazing • Ivor Slaney Man About Town • Laurie Johnson Blue Blood • Heinz Kiessling Tarte Maison • Heinz Kiessling Bargains Galore • Stuart Crombie & Dennis Berry O Sole Mio • Lyrics by Giovanni Capurro; Music by Eduardo di Capua & Alfredo Mazzucchi; Performed by Luciano Pavarotti A La Bonheur • Heinz Kiessling Shopping Spree • Laurie Johnson Gala Performance • Laurie Johnson Charming Girl • Heinz Kiessling In The Mood • Glenn Miller Swingtime in the Rockies • Benny Goodman

### **SPECIAL THANKS:**

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# ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Jim Henson Foundation grant awarded **MILO THE MAGNIFICENT**<sup>®</sup> is a highly engaging puppet show about an aspiring magician. This wordless comedy, inspired by turn of the century vaudeville entertainers, is as highly physical as it is charming. Using stunningly innovative puppetry, Milo presents a variety of magic tricks which don't always go as planned.

## ABOUT THE COMPANY

**ALEX AND OLMSTED** (Alex Vernon and Sarah Olmsted Thomas) is an internationally acclaimed puppet theater and filmmaking company based in Baltimore, Maryland. They have toured in Germany, Italy, Denmark, South Korea and Canada, and have performed at numerous venues within the United States including The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., HERE Arts in New York, and the Chopin Theater in Chicago. Alex and Olmsted was awarded the 2020 State Independent Artist Award from the Maryland State Arts Council, the highest honor for performing artists in the State of Maryland. Their works have been supported by the Jim Henson Foundation and Mid Atlantic Arts, recognized by the New York Times and named an official selection of the Maryland Film Festival, Paris Art Film, and others. Alex and Olmsted is a resident company at Baltimore Theatre Project. Alex and Olmsted are also proud company members of Happenstance Theater.

Learn More: alexandolmsted.com

# **ENGAGEMENT ON CAMPUS AND IN THE COMMUNITY**

Alex and Olmsted taught a puppet-making workshop at The Clarice as part of Maryland Day 2025. On Thursday and Friday of this week, they presented four K-12 matinees for more than 500 students from Prince George's County Public Schools.



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