

Treasure Island arrives at the Oregon's Children Theatre

X marks the spot, as young Jim Hawkins tracks down pirate treasure with a stolen treasure map in *The Adventure of Treasure Island*. Based on Robert Louis Stevenson's *Treasure Island*, this is a swash-buckling tale of a young boy's encounter with Long John Silver and his motley crew of pirates! Directed by Oregon Children's Theatre's own Education Director Stan Foote, the play stars David Bergstein as Jim Hawkins and Andy Alcala as Long John Silver.

Stan Foote has taught and directed in Portland for 20-plus years. He received a Drammy Award for best Director (Musical) for the 1996 Oregon Children's Theatre production of *Stuart Little*. He has directed for numerous companies including OCT, Lakewood Theatre Company, and ART.

David Bergstein who is a sixth-grader at Catlin Gable school, David has appeared in OCT's *Pippi Longstocking* and *Ramona Quimby*. David has taken several OCT Acting Academy Classes and has done commercial work for Nike, Inc. and Fred Meyer Inc.

Andres Alcala will make his OCT debut playing Long John Silver. A Drammy Award winner for Best Leading Actor in *Deporting the Divas*, Andres has also appeared in *Dracula*, *As You Like It*, *Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *Love! Valor! Compassion!*

Billy Bones will be played by Glenn Gauer, set design; Martin John Gallagher, sound design; Robert Peterson lighting design; John Armour, fight choreography, Margaret Louise Hetherington, Costume design; and R Dee, Prop master. Public performances of *The Adventure of Treasure Island* will

be held at Portland Civic Auditorium January 16 at 2:00 pm and January 23 at 2:00 and 5:00 pm. Reserved seats are \$12-17 for adults and \$9-13 for children and seniors. Tickets are available by calling OCT's box office at (503) 228-9571 or Ticketmaster outlets at (503) 790-ARTS (2787). The production runs approximately one hour and is appropriate for adults and children four years of age and older. Group discounts available on request.

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Oregon Children's Theatre is a nonprofit professional theatre company celebrating its 12th season of presenting quality stage adaptations of best in children's literature. OCT boasts an extensive outreach program targeted to economically deserving and culturally diverse students, children and families. Oregon Children's Theatre's Acting Academy provides year-round acting classes for children.

Oregon Children's Theatre will celebrate its one-millionth patron during the production of *Charlotte's Web* this season to be held in Portland Civic Auditorium April 16 & 30. Tickets are now on sale and can be ordered by calling Oregon Children's Theatre at 228-9571.



David Bergstein as Jim and Andres Alcala as Long John Silver in the Oregon Children's Theatre presentation of *The Adventure of Treasure Island* at the Portland Civic Auditorium in January of 2000.

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