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Magnificent Dragon

Tears of Joy opens season in new venue

What happens when a dragon moves into the neighborhood? Tears of Joy Theatre shows you when it presents the delightful play *The Reluctant Dragon*. The first show of the Tears of Joy season is also a launch to the group's new performance venue at Imago Theatre, 17 S.E. 8th St.

The dragon, as magnificent as any dragon who ever took the stage, is not the fearsome type. He, like the boy who befriends him, is more interested in art and poetry. The villagers, however, assume that they are in grave danger and send for Sir George, the renowned dragon slayer.

With the boy's help, Sir George learns that the dragon poses no threat to anyone. This is a classic tale of "never judge a book by its cover," told through music, charming table-top puppets, and a spectacular "full-sized" dragon puppet.

Shows are Friday, Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 16 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 17 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 23 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 24 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors and \$13 for youth and available online at www.tojt.org or by calling 503-248-0557.



The Reluctant Dragon, the first show of the season for Tears of Joy Theatre.

Tears of Joy Theatre is recognized as one of the nation's outstanding puppet theatres, known internationally for its innovation and excellence. Each year the programs of the theatre serve over 110,000 children and adults.



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