Viktor Barkar

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Summary

Working in close collaboration with his inner child and inspired by his exposure to European an American theatres Vik Barkar is constantly looking for a new forms in puppetry. His shows are based on the ongoing dialog in between the performer and the audience. The shows are designed to create the maximum involvement of the audience in the play. Heckling is encouraged. Laughter is the key. Imagination is the engine. Lets do the Puppet Show.

Short Bio

Viktor was born in Minsk, Belarus, USSR to a family of doctors in February, 1974. Ever since his early childhood Viktor was attracted to visual arts and enrolled in his first drama classes in grade 7. Drawing and sculpture classes followed one year later. The first puppet inspirations came from Obrazcov Puppet Theatre and soviet stop-motion animation of late 80s and early 90s.

In 1998 Viktor's family moved to Canada and landed in Ottawa, Ontario. In 2004 Viktor moved to British Columbia and resides with his family in downtown of Vancouver ever since.

Education

2012-2014 Three-dimensional drawing, Pertsev Studio, Vancouver2002-2004 Graphic Design Program, Algonquin College, Ottawa, On

Selected Performances (private shows and shows with an audience of < 100 are not included):

Steveston Maritime Festival, Richmond Richmond Heritage Festival, Richmond Multiple shows with "Odessa Club", Vancouver Outdoor performance with Russian Theatre "Palme", Vancouver Multiple shows at "Evenings of Puppetry in "The Arc", Vancouver Lord Roberts YMCA Kids Club, Vancouver Multiple shows at "Nat Bailey Stadium Market", Vancouver

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2004 Images from Inner Japan, Hasty Hawk Gallery, Vancouver

2003 Look around, Lookout Gallery, Ottawa, On

Selected Group Exhibitions

2014 Art-Crawl with Pertsev Studio, Vancouver

2012 Lowbrow on the Highsee, Patricia Hotel, Vancouver

Radio Interviews

Alexandra Gerson, Interview, Radio Vera, Vancouver, March 21, 2014 Jennifer Langdon, Interview, Steveston Radio, Richmond, BC, June 15, 2014

References

Dusty Hogerud, Color&Sound Lab, Vancouver, BC email: dustyhagerud@shaw.ca phone: 604-559-7570

Wryly Anderson, Moth Orbit Theatre, Vancouver, BC email: mothorbit@gmail.com phone: 778-899-2079

More references are available upon request.

Vancouver Puppet Theatre

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About Theatre

Vancouver Puppet Theatre was established by Viktor Barkar in 2013.

Theatre is performing an educational and entertaining puppet shows for children of all ages. We are glad to perform at private and public events.

Our Show

At the moment we are performing musical medley called "Petrushka Show". This program has originated as Punch&Judy-like theatre and is developed in to the educational module with assorted types of puppets.

The goal of the program is to educate children about the art of puppetry by engaging them in fun and interactive performance. The show is about 35-45 min. The program could be adjusted to suite children with special needs and developmental disabilities.

Workshops

Basic puppet-making and puppeteering:

Designed mostly for school children this workshop will teach the basics of puppet-making (simple rod puppet), character development, and basic puppeteering. The workshop is designed for 10-12 children. The length of the workshop is under 60 minutes.

Character design (drawing & sculpting & voice):

This workshop is focused on the development of character of the puppet through drawing / sculpting and voice. Designed for 10-12 school children.

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