

## **For Immediate Release**

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The Arroyo Arts Collective presents:

### *Puppets Retake Northeast Los Angeles*

A three-day festival of puppet shows performed at the Historic Highland Park Ebell Club. This event is co-sponsored by the Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs.

June 6 through June 8, 2013

Calendar Listing: Art Community: Marionettes and shadow puppets and hand puppets, oh my! Not to mention puppet hula hoops and performing found objects. There is something for everyone in this sampler of entrancing trends in contemporary puppetry.

*Puppets Retake Northeast Los Angeles* features three programs of performances. **June 6<sup>th</sup>** kicks off with Leslie Gray's moving shadow puppet story of a river rescue, Beth Peterson's toy theatre paean to Charles Lummis, and Paul Zaloom's ribald contemporary take on the Punch and Judy show (Adult themed). **June 7<sup>th</sup>** continues with duo Caitlin Lainoff and DanRae Wilson's toy theater show about the development of Los Angeles, and Yelena Zhelezov's diorama recreation of an art event on the LA River. **June 8<sup>th</sup>** brings an especially family friendly program that includes Gina Pavlova's sly use of ordinary objects to tell fairy tales, Elizabeth Luce's nautical buddy story, Christine Papalexis' found object goddess tale and a special historic show recreated from the vaults of the International Puppetry Museum in Pasadena.

The Highland Park Ebell Club, built in 1913, is a jewel in its own right. Originally established as a cultural and educational facility, the Club was also a safe place for women organizing the modern suffrage movement, an endeavor that ultimately resulted in the 19<sup>th</sup> amendment to the US Constitution, guaranteeing women the right to vote. The modern club provides scholarships to deserving students and continues the club's commitment to higher learning.

The Highland Park Ebell Club is located at 131 S. Avenue 57, half a block off of North Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90042. Further information is available at [ArroyoArtsCollective.org](http://ArroyoArtsCollective.org) or by voicemail at 323-850-8566. This event is made possible in part by support from the City of Los Angeles, Department of Cultural Affairs and the International Puppetry Museum. It is family friendly and free and open to the public.

**Who:** The Arroyo Arts Collective

**What:** *Puppets Retake Northeast Los Angeles*, a puppetry festival

**Where:** Highland Park Ebell Club, 131 S. Ave 57, Highland Park, CA 90042

**Hours:** Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm

Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm

Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm

**How much:** This event is free and open to the public. Advance registration is strongly suggested at:

<http://puppetsretakenela.brownpapertickets.com/>

**Information:** Go to [www.ArroyoArtsCollective.org](http://www.ArroyoArtsCollective.org) or call (323) 850-8566.

Editors Please Note: The Arroyo Arts Collective was established in 1989, as a community organization of artists, writers and performers who live and work in Northeast Los Angeles. The mission of the Arroyo Arts Collective is to develop and present creative events that educate while fostering an awareness of the creative vitality of Northeast Los Angeles.

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