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A MAGICAL AND PLAYFUL PUPPET SHOW BASED ON THE BOOK BY POLLY DUNBAR, WITH MUSIC BY TOM GRAY OF GOMEZ, COMES TO HALF MOON ON SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER

Brighton based children's theatre company **Long Nose Puppets** brings *Arthur's Dream Boat*, a story about a little boy who has a dream, to **Half Moon Theatre**, Limehouse, on **Saturday 19 October 2019** at **11am and 2pm** for **children aged 2-8**.

Arthur's Dream Boat is based on the book by **Polly Dunbar** and has music by **Mercury Prize winner** and **Brit Awards nominee Tom Gray**, of **Gomez**. It is the story of a little boy who wakes up with a boat on his head.

One night, Arthur has an amazing dream about a beautiful pink and green boat with a stripy mast. He can't wait to tell everyone about it but no one (not even his dog!) is interested. In fact, they don't even notice that this very same boat is growing on his head, getting larger and larger by the minute! Soon, Arthur is bouncing along the waves in his very own dream boat. Maybe now his family will listen to him!

At the end of the performance children are invited onto the stage to meet the puppets.

Long Nose Puppets was co-founded in 2006 by **Katherine Morton** and **Polly Dunbar**, who create inspiring, inventive and colourful puppet shows for the very young. Katherine and Polly make the puppets out of anything and everything: latex, wood, found objects, socks, old umbrellas and the odd lampshade. The puppets range in size from handheld rod puppets to full body costumes.

Chris Elwell, Director of Half Moon, commented: "We are delighted to welcome back Long Nose Puppets to Half Moon Theatre with their captivating show *Arthur's Dream Boat*. With its imaginative range of puppets, and a not to be missed opportunity to meet the puppets after the show, this is a colourful family production that will send your imagination soaring."

All tickets are priced at **£7** and can be obtained by visiting the Box Office or by calling **020 7709 8900**. Tickets are also available online at www.halfmoon.org.uk

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LISTINGS DETAILS

Long Nose Puppets presents
Arthur's Dream Boat

Saturday 19 October 2019

11am and 2pm

Ages 2-8 | 45 minutes

Half Moon Theatre

43 White Horse Road, London E1 0ND

Tickets: £7

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ON SALE NOW

NOTES TO EDITORS

FURTHER DETAILS

For further information or to arrange interviews, photographs and press tickets please contact Stephen Beeny on 020 7709 8907 or stephen@halfmoon.org.uk

A selection of images can be downloaded from Dropbox:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/rkyzznmp4w85au0/AAAEthUGRRf1t-FIHjiXm-1ka?dl=0>

ABOUT HALF MOON

Half Moon is the UK's leading small-scale young people's venue and touring company. It is a local organisation with a national remit, committed to supporting artists and young people at every stage of their creative development. Working from our base in East London, we specialise in new writing and artform development, acting as a gateway organisation that provides pathways for progression and experimentation. Our wide-ranging programme reaches 49,000 people annually and engages those who are often excluded from arts activity. Our activity includes a season of professional plays for young audiences, national touring productions and an extensive creative learning programme, including seven youth theatres. Half Moon is a National Portfolio Organisation of Arts Council England and receives regular funding from the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

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