

## AlvegoRoot Theatre Returns to Live Performance with Tales for a Reaney Day

From September 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> AlvegoRoot Theatre will be returning to live performance, in a new partnership with Somerville 630. They will be presenting *Tales for a Reaney Day*, a double bill of two short stories by London's preeminent playwright James Reaney. In this production Reaney's story *The Bully* will be performed by AlvegoRoot Artistic Director Adam Corrigan Holowitz and directed by ensemble member Kydra Ryan. The second story in the bill is Reaney's *The Box Social*, where the roles are reversed, Kydra Ryan is performing and Adam Corrigan-Holowitz is directing.

Linking these two haunting stories from the imagination of James Reaney is that they are both about young people navigating isolation from their community in the Souwesto countryside. In *The Box Social*, a woman decorates a box lunch to be auctioned off at the community social, she has a certain someone in mind and hopes he will recognize the delicate care she put into designing it. In *The Bully* a man is pursued by a menacing presence as he attempts to leave his life on the farm behind, and attend the high school in town.

"These two stories are beautiful early examples Southern Ontario Gothic literature; a potent mixture of an isolated character, rich psychological symbolism and a sparse rural Ontario landscape. What drew me to wanting to perform these stories on stage is that Reaney's brilliant exploration of the human condition resonates so strongly. I believe audiences will the delight in Reaney's extraordinary storytelling and I am excited to share how we have theatrically realized these texts. " – Adam Corrigan Holowitz, Artistic Director

The production will be one the first theatrical event at the new venue, Somerville 630.

"I am delighted to be partnering with Somerville 630 and Kathy Navackas to present this season. I believe Somerville 630 will become a cornerstone of the cultural life of our city, and it is thrilling to be part of some of the venue's early performance ventures. It is a fantastic space, the flexibility of the building invites creativity. The building is home to food vendors, businesses, an art gallery and a cultural space which reflects our city beautifully."— *Adam Corrigan Holowitz, Artistic Director* 

## **Performance Details:**

September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm September 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm

Location: Somerville 630, 630 Dundas Street

Tickets: \$20

Tickets can be purchased at: www.alvegoroottheatre.com

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