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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - A unique theatrical production of "Peter and the Wolf" will be presented by Mutuus Mime Theater at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 6, in Ford Auditorium of Bliss Hall at Youngstown State University.

This special program is the final part of the "Family Entertainment Series" for the young and the young-at-heart, sponsored by the University's College of Fine and Performing Arts.

The Mutuus professional touring theater consists of a creative troupe of performers who have given a myriad of performances in addition to teaching workshops in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and Ontario.

For this production Gene Nichols and Ed Turner of Jamestown, N.Y., adapted the musical score to include: piano, flute, violin, bassoon, trombone, clarinet, guitar, and a variety of percussion. The score was arranged to fit Mutuus' adaptation of the story which uses the company's mime skills along with an array of handcrafted masks.

Mutuus performers Richard Barrett, Cindy Carlson and Mark Opshinsky act as narrators and play all the characters in the production. The script was adapted and will be directed by Opshinsky.

The Mutuus Mime Theater, Inc., which is headquartered in Jamestown, N.Y., was formed in 1981.

The company has received public and private grants and is on the roster of Young Audiences of Western New York and the Mid Atlantic States Arts Consortium.

"Family Entertainment Series" was developed to serve as an added link between the campus and the community, offering something the entire family can enjoy together.

Tickets for this Family Entertainment Series performance are \$1 per person. Reservations may be made by calling (216) 742-3624. Reserved tickets may be picked up in Room 3006 of Bliss Hall between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Or, they will be held until 10:15 a.m. the day of the performance, after which they will be sold to the general public. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Bliss Hall is located on Wick Avenue across from the Butler Institute of American Art and YSU's Maag Library. Free parking is available in any surface lot on campus. Patrons of this program are encouraged to park in surface lot M-9, located behind Bliss Hall on Walnut Street, off East Rayen Avenue. Stairs lead to the first floor lobby of Bliss.

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