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David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts presents

The Man Who Planted Trees

Thursday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m.
TECO Theater at the Straz Center
Regularly priced tickets start at \$24.50

TAMPA, Fla. — The David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts (formerly the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center) presents the Puppet State Theatre Company of Scotland's *The Man Who Planted Trees* on Thursday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the TECO Theater as part of the Off-Center series.

In this captivating adaptation of the beloved book by Jean Giono, a French shepherd sets out with his dog to plant a forest, acorn by acorn, and transform a barren wasteland. The Puppet State Theatre Company of Scotland presents a unique blend of comedy and puppetry that tells the inspiring, ecologically-oriented tale of a man who decided to put things right.

“Laughs, heartbreak, war, regeneration, scented breezes, sparkling wit and the best dog puppet ever. Perfect for children and grown-ups,” raved *The Guardian* (United Kingdom).

The Man Who Planted Trees is appropriate for ages seven and above.

The Man Who Planted Trees will play in the Straz Center's TECO Theater on Thursday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. Regularly priced tickets start at \$24.50 and may be purchased by calling 813.229.STAR (7827) or 800.955.1045 outside Tampa Bay, in person at the Straz Center Ticket Office or online at www.strazcenter.org. For more information about the David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts and its upcoming events, please visit the Straz Center's website at www.strazcenter.org.

Events, days, dates, times, performers and prices are subject to change without notice.

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