

The Tall Keyaki Tree

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The Tall Keyaki Tree is a shadow puppet fantasy with live music, inspired by the novel *Five-Storeyed Pagoda* written by Koda Rohan (1867–1947). A peculiar carpenter undertakes the profound task of building a five-storied pagoda using the wood from the Keyaki (Zelkova) tree. Having grown up with the tree, the carpenter's strong spiritual bond with the Keyaki powers the creation of an exceptional pagoda.

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Puppetry at the Carriage House