

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

*Feet, what do I need you for when I have wings to fly – Frida Kahlo*



*(Pictured left to right: Emile Dultra and Ajai Terrazas Tripathi)*

***Guillermo Kahlo - There are always people you'll never be good enough for. They'll raise a fuss over any imperfection...Too big, too small, too strange, too much of this, not enough of that...it's all nonsense.***

***Little Frida - Sólo quiero ser normal. There's a mold I should fit into, but I don't fit.***

***Guillermo - You aren't a clay pot, Fridita, you don't need to fit any mold.***

**WHAT:**

Milagro presents the Northwest Premiere of ***Mijita Fridita*** by Ajai Terrazas Tripathi

**WHEN:**

One Day Only! Sunday September 18, 2 PM

**WHERE:** Milagro Theatre, 525 SE Stark Ave. Portland, OR 97214

## **ADMISSION**

Adult tickets are \$22 in advance, \$25 at the door and students/seniors/veterans are \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door. Tickets available at [www.milagro.org](http://www.milagro.org) or 503-236-7253. Discounts for groups 15+, and with the Oregon Trail card through the Arts for All program.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

[www.milagro.org](http://www.milagro.org) or call 503-236-7253

## **MEDIA CONTACTS/MEDIA PASSES/STUDY GUIDE**

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**High-resolution photos:** Available upon request

## **ABOUT THE PLAY**

Against the backdrop of the Mexican Revolution, young Fridita, growing up in her family's blue house in Coyoacan is diagnosed with polio. Bedridden, Fridita escapes into the world of her imagination, meets another girl that looks just like her, and together they journey to the center of the world for a fiesta with all the characters of her imaginings. Back in the real world, her peers taunt her for being different, but her father Guillermo encourages her, and awakens her interest in art with his love of photography. Strong and resilient, Fridita learns to overcome hardships and stay true to herself in order to become the legendary artist that continues to inspire.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Conversation with the cast and members of the creative team immediately following the 2PM matinee, and a free portrait drawing workshop to follow in the cafe.

## **CAST**

Emile Dultra – Fridita

Ajai Terrazas Tripathi – Guillermo Kahlo

Marlon Jiménez Oviedo – Matilde Kahlo and various others

Daniela Pecoff - La Otra/La Soldadera/La Catrina

## **PRODUCTION TEAM**

Ajai Terrazas Tripathi - Playwright

Dañel Malan – Director

Quetzal Rivero Brock – Mural artist

Shenekah Telles – Costume Design  
Sarah Andrews – Props Design  
Lawrence Siulagi – Sound Design  
Lisa Merlo Flores – Assistant Director  
Estela Robinson – Production Manager

### **ARTIST INTERVIEWS**

To arrange interviews with artists, contact Melissa Schmitz, Marketing and Communications Manager, 503-236-7253, ext. 117, [melissa@milagro.org](mailto:melissa@milagro.org)

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### **ABOUT MILAGRO**

For over 30 years, Milagro has been dedicated to bringing the vibrancy of Latino theatre, culture and arts education to audiences in the Pacific Northwest and across the country. We provide a home for artists and audiences seeking authentic, Latino cultural experiences. We value creativity and diversity; we welcome the risk of experimentation while respecting tradition; we empower our artists to think creatively and act collaboratively; we are often irreverent but never irrelevant. We entertain our audiences; we give them pause to think, feel and imagine; and, through the cultural lens of *latinidad*, we reflect the full spectrum of humanity. As a proud community leader and thinker, we speak boldly and authoritatively; as imaginative artists, we embrace the colorful and vivacious, the provocative and playful.