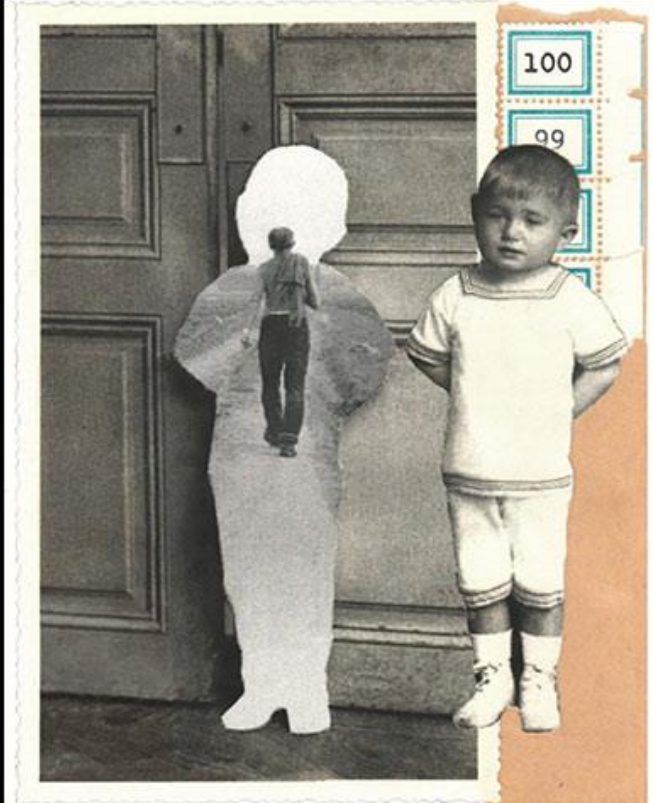


INVITATION:



The Embassy of the Czech Republic
presents

Via Hrabal

a hilarious multimedia presentation

about the lives of
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presented through the memory of their friends
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with the technical support of Jan Čapek

November 23, 2016, at 8 pm

Bohemian Hall & Beer Garden
Main Hall
29-19 24th Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102

Admission free

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In this unique presentation, Hrabal's biographer Tomáš Mazal presents a look inside Hrabal's life, the places and people that influenced his personal and artistic journey. Set designer Václav Špale uses a vivid display of texts, photographs, drawings, and video sequences to showcase a collage of the author's artistry. Last but not least, Jiří Rejthar, a chef who served both Havel and Hrabal, guides viewers through Czech cuisine and brewing episodes of the two literary greats.

The performance is being presented as part of the recent 100th anniversary of the birth of Bohumil Hrabal and the 80th anniversary of the birth of Václav Havel.

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