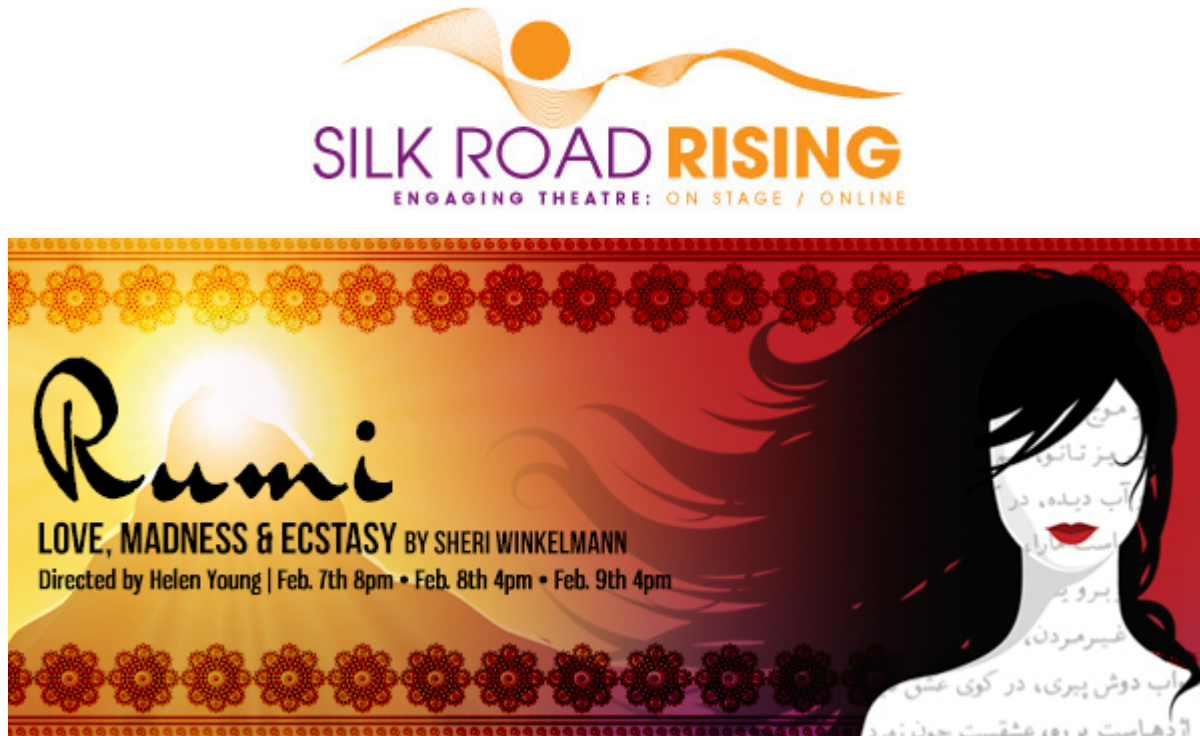


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## RUMI: Love, Madness & Ecstasy A STAGED READING

Written by Sheri Winkelmann

Directed by Helen Young

When Sadia travels to India to volunteer with the exiled Tibetan refugee community, she never imagines that she would meet the love of her life. Caught in a whirlwind romance, her new love moves to America and they quickly marry. Not long after the wedding, Sadia discovers a dark, twisted side to him that eventually threatens her life. Struggling to escape the physical and psychological violence that has become her daily life, she discovers the enlightened Sufi poet Rumi, whose spiritual insights guide her to freedom.

### STAGED READING SCHEDULE

Friday, February 7th at 8pm

Saturday, February 8th at 4pm

Sunday, February 9th at 4pm

Each performance is followed by a talk-back with the playwright.

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### ABOUT THE POET RUMI

Jalāl ad-Dīn Muhammad Rūmī, more popularly known in the English-speaking world as simply Rumi (September 30, 1207 – December 17, 1273), was a 13th-century Persian poet, jurist, theologian, and Sufi mystic.

Rumi's importance transcends national and religious boundaries. His poems have been translated into dozens of languages and interpreted across multiple cultures, eras, and traditions.

In 2007, he was described as the "most popular poet in America."

Adapted from a [Wikipedia](#) entry.

*I am the clear  
consciousness,  
Core of your being,  
The same in ecstasy.  
As in self-hating fatigue.*  
—Rumi

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