

# Peter Schumann

## ***Chef Harmony Makes Lunch...*, 2018**

Papier mache, cardboard, wood, wire and paint with found clothes and repurposed cast iron stove and enamel cooking pot.

*Opening Bid: \$1,500*

### **About Peter Schumann:**

Peter Schumann was born in 1934 in Silesia. He studied and practiced sculpture and dance in Germany, moved to the USA in 1961, and founded Bread and Puppet Theater in New York City in 1963. From hand and rod puppet shows in the streets to giant puppet parades, Schumann addressed local injustices as well as the Vietnam War.

In an advertising flyer for a performance at Bennington College in 1967, Schumann's theatre is described as filling "the stage with life size puppets and masked actors. His images come from the idiom of fairy tales and medieval allegory, but their powerful meaning is topical and immediate."

In 1970 Schumann and the company moved to Vermont (first as artists-in-residence at Goddard College and moving to their current home in Glover in 1973). There he continues to build puppets, create shows and giant outdoor spectacles and perform locally and internationally, and to bake bread, grow garlic and split firewood.

Peter Schumann is married to Elka Leigh Scott and they live in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom. They have five children and five grandchildren.