

The Wallis and The Library Foundation of Los Angeles' ALoud Series
Present

An Evening with Alan Alda

In Conversation with Lisa Wolpe on Monday, June 12 at 7:30pm

(Beverly Hills, CA April 26) The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts and The Library Foundation of Los Angeles' ALoud series present **An Evening with Alan Alda** on Monday, June 12 at 7:30pm. The award-winning actor and bestselling author will take the Bram Goldsmith Theater stage with Lisa Wolpe, Artistic Director and Founder of the Los Angeles Women's Shakespeare Company, to discuss his new book *If I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on My Face?* and explore his decades-long quest to understand the intricacies of communication. The conversation will conclude with an audience Q&A.

With his trademark humor and candor, Alda's new book, *If I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on My Face?* chronicles communication breakdowns from his own experiences—from a life-changing misunderstanding with a dentist to learning how to make science relatable to the masses as host of PBS' "Scientific American Frontiers." Drawing on his improvisation training, theater and storytelling techniques from a lifetime of acting, along with insights from recent scientific studies, Alda equips himself with a range of tools to relate to others more effectively. Sharing with audiences his strategies to build empathy and improve the way we communicate, Alda will demonstrate the art of conversation as he talks with Wolpe—actress, director, teacher and the Artistic Director and Founder of the Los Angeles Women's Shakespeare Company and a master communicator in her own right.

Tickets for **An Evening with Alan Alda** are currently available only through subscription. Remaining single tickets will be available for purchase on Friday, May 12, from \$50 – \$100 and include a signed copy of Alan Alda's book *If I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on My Face?* For more information or to purchase tickets, visit TheWallis.org/Alda, call 310.746.4000, or stop by in person at the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Services located at 9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90210. Ticket prices subject to change.

About the Participants:

Alan Alda, has earned international recognition as an actor, writer and director. He has won seven Emmy Awards, received three Tony nominations, is an inductee of the Television Hall of Fame and was nominated for an Academy Award for his role in *The Aviator*. Alda played Hawkeye Pierce on the classic television series "M*A*S*H," and his films include *Crimes and Misdemeanors*, *Everyone Says I Love You*, *Manhattan Murder Mystery*, *Bridge of Spies*, and many more. Alda is an active member of

the science community, having hosted the award-winning series “Scientific American Frontiers” for eleven years and founded the Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science at Stony Brook University. Alda is the author of two bestselling books, *Never Have Your Dog Stuffed: And Other Things I’ve Learned* and *Things I Overheard While Talking To Myself*.

Lisa Wolpe is an actress, director, teacher, playwright and the Artistic Director of Los Angeles Women’s Shakespeare Company, which she founded in 1993. Honors include the Shakespeare Theater Association’s Sidney Berger Award; Sustained Excellence Awards from the L.A. Drama Critics Circle and from Playwrights Arena; the Key to Harlem; a Congressional Certificate of Merit; NBC Local Hero; Jacob Bronowski Award for Theater Excellence; Whittier College’s Distinguished Artist Award; Colorado Shakespeare “First Scholar;” and UC Boulder’s “Roe Green Distinguished Scholar.” Her acting credits include the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Berkeley Repertory Theatre, Shakespeare & Company, Orlando Shakespeare Festival and San Diego Repertory Theater.

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