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### **Fred Garbo Inflatable Theatre Back By Popular Demand!**

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA - Having performed around the world, pneumatic wizard Fred Garbo and Brazilian ballerina Daielma Santos transcend barriers of age and language with the Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Co., performing at the Christopher Cohan Center at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 3, 2003.

Cal Poly Arts presents the return engagement of the popular duo as part of the Cal Poly Arts low-cost Family Event Series.

In a seamless program that includes physical comedy, dance, juggling, and dynamic creative inventions that inflate right on stage, the Fred Garbo Inflatable Theatre Co. delivers a visual display for the entire family that is "...helium light and hilarious! Skillful...joyful...buoyant entertainment! " (The New York Times)

Fred Garbo and Daielma Santos inhabit an enchanting world, performing fast-paced, energetic, clever, and universally engaging theatrical pieces. A typical Inflatable Theatre Co. show begins with a ten-foot cylinder slithering onto the stage and imploding. Before long, the entire audience is playing catch with gigantic inflatable props.

For the remainder of the evening, huge blow-up shapes dance, shimmer, balloon, deflate, and bounce in a rainbow of colors.

"Fred Garbo, the 'Inflatable Vaudevillian,' is like the kitten that got at the catnip. From his first juggling acts to his final boogie as 'Fred Zeppelin,' he filled the (hall) with light, happiness, and consummate entertainment. " (The Evening Post, New Zealand)

In addition to appearances on international television and on David Letterman's "Late Show," Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Co. performance highlights include the Kennedy Center, two sold-out runs at the New Victory Theater on Broadway, Playhouse Square in Cleveland, the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, and the Hong Kong International Arts Carnival.

Tickets for the performance are \$15, with student/child discounts available, and may be purchased at the Performing Arts Ticket Office. Ticket Office hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call 805/756-2787; to order by fax: 805/756-6088.

This performance is sponsored by Michael Young and Lupe Sanchez Youth Foundation.

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