



## The Flying Karamazov Brothers juggle your worries away

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The Flying Karamazov Brothers!

If you're having a hard day at work this week (and seriously, who isn't?) the [San Jose Repertory Theatre](#) has the antidote. *4PLAY*, a hilarious two hours of entertainment by [The Flying Karamazov Brothers](#), is in town only until this Sunday and we at Metblogs highly recommend you go see this show.

I'll be honest with you, I was not looking forward to spending my Wednesday night at a juggling show. But little did I know how thoroughly entertaining The Flying Karamazov Brothers are. Much more than a juggling show, the brothers also sing, dance, joke and play music in an interactive show fit for the entire family. To be totally honest, I've seen better juggling in my lifetime, but the juggling is not why you go to this show. These four men are full of charisma and fun; they're the super-smart guys you knew in high school who spent more time being the class clowns than studying but still got in to Berkeley or UC Santa Cruz. Oh, one of them actually did get a degree from UCSC, in English Literature.

And look, he has a job! (cue laughter)

But the juggling *is* quite entertaining, and even watching how they incorporate getting the dropped pins back up in the air was fun. At the end of the first act **Dimitri Karamazov** asks the audience to bring up items for him to juggle. If he succeeds he gets a standing ovation, if he fails he gets a pie in the face. On Wednesday night the audience brought in some truly original and fun items, and the fun (and mess) involved served to put everyone's bad work and school days behind them.

In short, they want us to laugh at them, and they laugh at themselves just as hard. Far from a birthday party juggling act, these four entertainers put smiles on the faces of everyone in the audience. We cheered when the juggling went well, we cheerfully booed when it didnt, and we not-so-secretly wished we could juggle half so well.

I advise you to take some time off from the stressful weeks many of us are having in Silicon Valley and go do something fun. Youll be in and out of your seat, youll be clapping and laughing and cheering, and for two hours youll have a smile on your face that will stick around for awhile.

Dont be afraid to bring your kids, and dont forget to bring something creative for them to juggle!

Rating: For a very entertaining two hours, I give it 4 out of 5 stars.

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Juggling champion Dimitri