

San Jose Rep will bring 'Flying Karamazov Brothers' to town this fall

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Get ready to duck!

This fall, the Flying Karamazov Brothers will swing into San Jose with their latest juggling-fueled extravaganza, "4PLAY." And unidentified flying objects will doubtless be spotted on stage at San Jose Repertory Theatre.

The four brothers, who got their start at the 1973 Renaissance Faire in the Bay Area, have gone on to become famous from Broadway to the West End for their zany, no-holds-barred approach to comedy.

This is an outrageous blend of circus, music and theater that has been described as half Marx Brothers and half Monty Python. In one skit, they offer to juggle anything the audience can dish up. Anything. We're talking haggis! Seriously.

"It's such a joy to be able to bring the antics of the Flying Karamazov Brothers to our audience," Rep artistic director Rick Lombardo says.

"I know the four brothers have many fans in this region that haven't been able to see them do one of their full shows for a few years now.

"I saw '4PLAY' recently off-Broadway, and it was a dizzying and delightful evening of comedy, music and world-class juggling.

"I hope fans will bring the hardest things imaginable for Dimitri to juggle during the challenge portion — although I think chain saws are off-limits."

Over the years, the Flying Karamazov Brothers have appeared in various movies and TV shows, from "Jewel of the Nile" to "Seinfeld."

This new show will run Nov. 10-14 as part of the Rep's 30th anniversary season. Single tickets run \$42-\$64. Subscription packages (which include the bonus show) range from \$112.50 to \$379.

All shows take place at the Rep, 101 Paseo de San Antonio. Details: 408-367-7255, www.sjrep.com.

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