



## Take Dad to the San Jose Repertory for the perfect Father's Day Gift

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If you're looking for an unusual Father's Day gift this year, the [San Jose Repertory Theatre](#) has an answer for you. They've brought a show that is great fun for any dad or sports lover in the family. **Reduced Shakespeare Company** returns to the Rep with [The Complete World of Sports \(Abridged\)](#), playing through Sunday, with an extra matinee show on Saturday.



The whacky show is not polished, perfect, or politically correct, but it's a non-stop laugh fest that won't leave you bored for one second. Three comedians explain the origins, rules and reasons for every sport, around the world, since the dawn of time. Amazingly, I wasn't able to come up with a single sport that wasn't included: they even cover rhythmic gymnastics, curling, rock/paper/scissors, and a very long list of foreign sports that I could never hope to pronounce, much less remember. Presented as a sports information show, there is skit after hilarious skit; singing, dancing and reenactments; and special appearances by characters such as Homer, Karl Marx and even Michael Moore. Oh, and let's not forget the Neanderthals. There is even some hilarious and fun audience participation that everyone enjoyed.

This show has nothing to do with Shakespeare (well, maybe for a minute), and you don't have to love or understand sports to enjoy it. You just have to be ready to laugh until your cheek muscles hurt. "This is completely ridiculous," said my guest Paul Robinson halfway through the show, yet he also claimed it was one of the most enjoyable shows

he had seen this year. It's a fast-paced race through sports history with a lot of current events and local references sprinkled in, and if you want to please Dad, this is the place to take him.

Stop by [The Loft Bar & Bistro](#) for dinner before the show on Sunday and enjoy **no corkage fee** and **complimentary dessert** with the purchase of two entrees.

What better gift for the Dad in your life than a great dinner and time spent with the entire family enjoying sports? Because even family members who don't enjoy sports are sure to have a great time at **The Complete World of Sports (abridged)**.

And if you can't make this show, buy Dad advance tickets to see [One Man Star Wars Trilogy](#), playing July 14 – 17th!

[The Complete World of Sports](#)

**San Jose Repertory Theatre**

**Through June 19**