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Moody Gardens Unveils Star Studded 2009 Summer Season Partnership with Island Star Performances Brings Great Family Entertainment to Galveston

Galveston, Texas - Incredible magic, dare devil stunts, side splitting comedy, hilarious clowns, and master ventriloquism – Moody Gardens has it all this summer. In conjunction with Island Star Performances, Moody Gardens Hotel, Spa & Convention Center has pulled out all the stops to bring a wide array of family-friendly entertainment to Galveston Island.

Back by popular demand, magic buffs won't want to miss *The Curt Miller Magic & Comedy Show*. Running Thursday through Sunday June 18- July 5, Curt's "Las Vegas Style" show dazzles the audience with a mixture of large-scale illusions and comedic flair. You'll be left dazzled and laughing out loud as Curt makes audience participants disappear, levitate and break up into different pieces. This show is a surprising blend of incredible magic and clean comedy suitable for all audiences.

A one-of-a-kind entertainment extravaganza returns to Moody Gardens in July with Dimitri Bogatirev's *Theater of Physical Comedy "AGA-BOOM."* A show for all ages and entire families, Aga-Boom magically blends the very best elements of circus, comedy and experimental theater in a way that has yet to be seen on stage. This is one show you have to see to believe. Audiences will be transported back to the excitement and amazement of childhood as the talented troupe employs an array of strobe lights, sirens, bubbles, fog, toilet paper, water, laughs and lots of fun for an exhilarating live performance. Aga-Boom takes the stage July 16-19 & July 23-26.

The fun continues with the premier of *Circo Comedia* running July 30 – August 2 & August 6-9. Hailing from Montreal, the fantastic duo of Jean Saucier and Patrick Cote light up the stage with their distinctive style of humor, acrobatic tricks, daring feats, magic and eccentricity. With unpredictable thrills, dare-devil stunts and side-splitting comedy, Circo Comedia is loads of fun for the entire family.

Kevin Johnson - "Tongue-in-Cheek so to Speak" rounds out the summer entertainment schedule August 13-16 with a unique ventriloquist show. Best known for his performances on "America's Got Talent" and "Late Night with David Letterman," Kevin's magical characters explode to life right on his hand to create a unique comedy show that appeals to all ages. You'll fall in love with Matilda, laugh hysterically with Clyde and delight at the relate-ability of Harley.

Tickets for Curt Miller, AGA-BOOM, Circo Comedia, and Kevin Johnson are on sale now and can be purchased online at www.moodytickets.com, by phone at 409-683-4186, or via the Moody Gardens Special Events Box Office located in the lobby of the Moody Gardens Hotel. All shows will feature a Matinee performance at 1:00 pm and an Evening performance at 7:00 pm. Tickets range in price from \$9 to \$25. For more information, call the Special Event Hotline at 409-683-4186 or toll free at 1-800-582-4673 ext. 4186 or visit www.moodytickets.com.

Moody Gardens is offering a spectacular summer family special. Book a two-night stay at the Moody Gardens Hotel and receive 4-Free tickets to the summer family show playing during your stay! Reservations must be booked directly with Moody Gardens Hotel to be eligible for the free tickets. For more information or reservations, call 888-388-8484.

The 2009 Summer Family Entertainment series is made possible through the generous support of local hotel and motel tax dollars from the city of Galveston generated to encourage tourism and to further promote arts and entertainment on the Island.

QUICK FACTS:

Where: Moody Gardens Convention Center Galveston Island

What: 2009 Summer Family Entertainment Series

The Curt Miller Magic & Comedy Show	June 18-21, 25-28, July 1-5
AGA-BOOM - Theater of Physical Comedy	July 16-19 & July 23-26
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For Group Tickets: 800-582-4673 ext.4282

For more information: www.moodytickets.com

About Moody Gardens

Moody Gardens is a public, non-profit educational destination utilizing nature in the advancement of rehabilitation, conservation, recreation and research. For more information, visit www.moodygardenshotel.com.