Flying Karamazov Brothers to perform at UCSD

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THE FLYING KARAMAZOV BROTHERS TO PERFORM AT UCSD ON SEPT. 24

The Flying Karamazov Brothers have a juggling-cum-comedy schtick that is so well honed one would have to be a cactus not to fall out of one's seat laughing. The flying four will appear at 8 p.m., Saturday, September 24, in the University of California, San Diego Mandeville Auditorium.

The group offers a wide variety of skits and sometimes an intermission with a "barbarian" shop quartet. Their routine is geared to a ticklish sense of humor or an active sense of wonder (the show is visually very exciting).

Some possibilities for their San Diego performance are: "Who's Who, (or Roget's Thesaurus, for that matter)." We are told that the skit involves an "exploration of the cardboard box as a theatrical motive force in a plain brown wrapper." That's just the beginning. The "Glowing Balls" routine, which the Karamazovs explain is break dancing in the dark using the chemical equivalent of the firefly, is very illuminating.

The titles of the skits are as intriguing as the performances: "Taiko," which they refer to as a "piece honoring the Japanese art of the heartbeat by John Phillip Suzuki," and "Rhythm Four," which will contain "new tribal music for the global village starring 120 volts AC."

Each of the four Karamazovs is, in real life, a (somewhat) sane and intelligent person with an outrageous sense of humor. Timothy Daniel Furst is Fyodor Karamazov; Paul David Magid is Dmitri Karamazov; Howard Jay Patterson is Ivan Karamazov and Sam Williams is Smerdyakov Karamazov--and they are not related.

Tickets for the event are available from the UCSD Box Office (534-4559) and from TicketMaster outlets for $15 (general admission), $12 (seniors) and $9 (students). The Flying Karamazov Brothers are brought to San Diego by UCSD University Events Office.

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