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MARK MORRIS DANCE GROUP - EXCURSIONS TOUR

Sunday, October 19, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

For more than 30 years, Mark Morris Dance Group has enthralled critics, dance enthusiasts and novices alike with its amazing technical expertise, unique artistry and its signature use of live music. Hailed as "one of the greatest living choreographers" by *The New Yorker*, Mark Morris has had a profound impact on the dance world ever since he burst onto the scene in 1980 and continues to create important new works with a singular ability to combine beautiful music, graceful movement and delicious wit. His choreography is known for its inherent musicality, and he insists that the company always perform to live music.

MMDG Excursions aims to promote cultural exchange and bring diverse communities together around the globe through dance and music during fall 2014. One half of the company will tour North America and Europe while the other half tours Burma, Cambodia, and Timor-Leste with the U.S. State Department's DanceMotion USASM program. This multifaceted tour will feature *Words*, a new work by Mark Morris.

THE NATIONAL ACROBATS OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA - CIRQUE PEKING

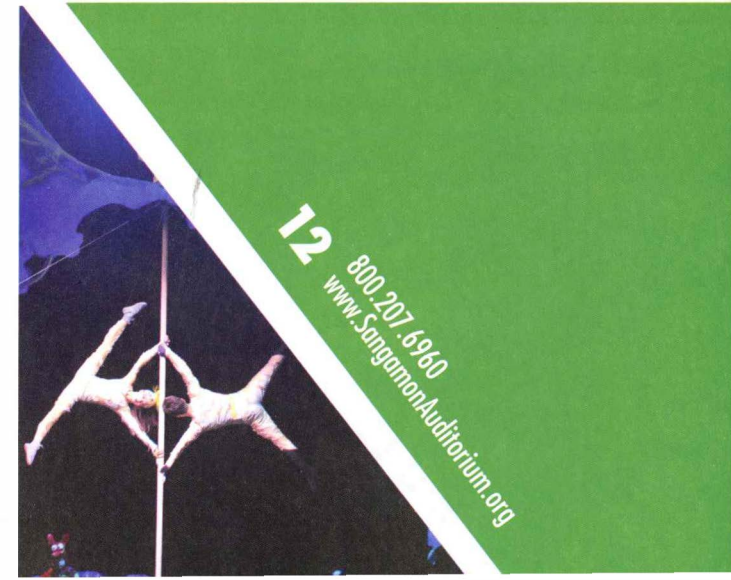
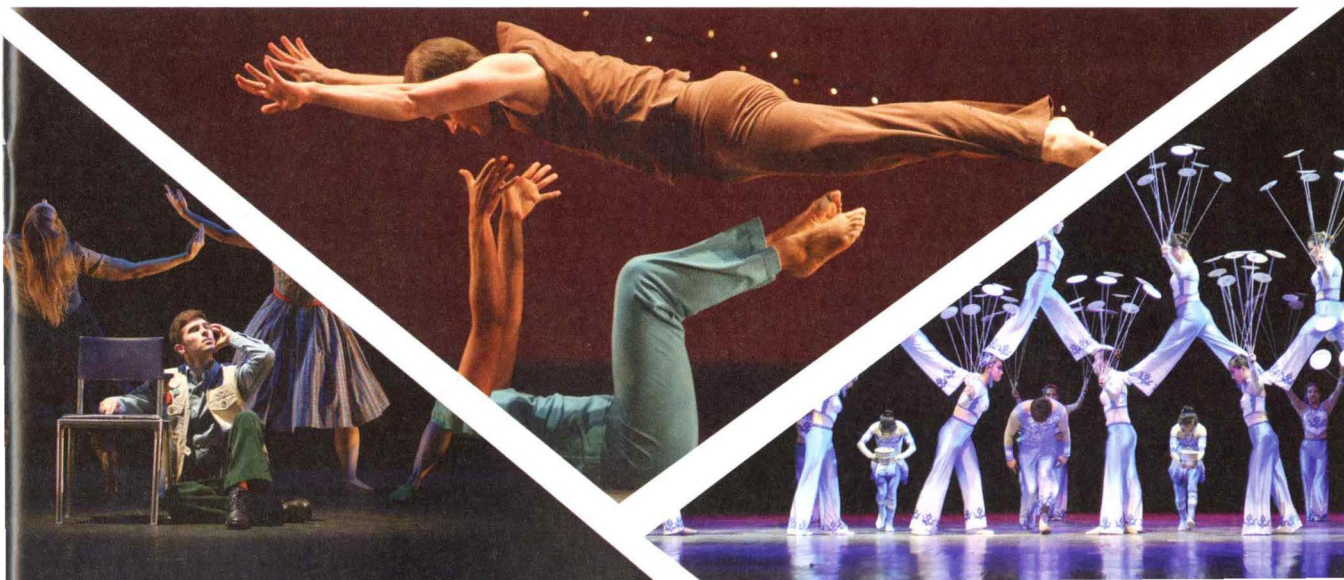
Friday, October 24, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

One of the world's preeminent acrobatic companies, The National Acrobats of The People's Republic of China will thrill young and old alike with their athletic skill, daring feats, and artistry. Founded more than six decades ago, the company has toured the world with one-of-a-kind acrobatic acts, receiving widespread acclaim and countless awards. Audiences gasp and cheer when these highly skilled acrobats perform their jaw-dropping feats based on traditions dating back thousands of years. Tumbling, juggling, contortion and balancing acts are all performed to a combination of traditional and modern music, along with colorful, imaginative props and sets, making this a thrilling experience for the whole family. "Performers move through a series of dizzying acts of physical virtuosity." (*Centre Daily Times*)

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AUGUST

28 The Moody Blues

SEPTEMBER

28 An Evening with Sarah Jarosz

OCTOBER

10 O Sole Trio

17 The best of Jethro Tull
performed by Ian Anderson

19 Mark Morris Dance Group
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24 Cirque Peking

25 Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Blues

NOVEMBER

2 Anything Goes

DECEMBER

1 *All is Calm: The Christmas
Truce of 1914*

5 Film - *Born in Chicago*

6 Chicago Blues Reunion

19 *Sister Act*

2015

JANUARY

16 April Verch Band

26 STOMP

FEBRUARY

3 *The Elephant Wrestler*

8 Song of Eva Perón

20 Béla Fleck & Abigail Washburn
and The Del McCoury Band

26 *Mamma Mia!*

MARCH

4 Mark Twain's *A Connecticut
Yankee in King Arthur's Court*

13 Dervish - *Magical Music
from Ireland*

31 *A Swinging Jungle Tale*

APRIL

26 *Peter and the Starcatcher*

MAY

3 *Million Dollar Quartet*

12 *Timber!* By Cirque Alfonse

14 An Evening with Roger McGuinn

JUNE

27 Neil Berg and Rita Harvey On
Broadway