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**IMAGO THEATRE HOPS INTO ZELLERBACH HALL WITH
FROGZ
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23 & 24 MATINEES**

BERKELEY, October 30, 2013— The innovative Imago Theatre returns to [Cal Performances](#) with its signature work [Frogz](#) on Saturday, November 23 at 2:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 24 at 3:00 p.m. in Zellerbach Hall. This show features panicking penguins, poor-spelling sloths, introverted frogs, and many other curious creatures that have amused audiences around the globe. Co-founders and co-artistic directors of the Portland-based theater company [Carol Triffle](#) and [Jerry Mouawad](#) lead the audience on a zany adventure through a world of animated characters and wondrous illusions. Based on the movement theories of theatrical innovator Jacques Lecoq, this performance explores the themes of innocence and the human condition. This “mastery of mime, dance and acrobatics” (*The New York Times*) will delight audiences of all ages.

Imago Theatre, founded by Triffle and Mouawad in the late 1970s, started out as a mask theater company that traveled around small communities in the Pacific Northwest. Triffle and Mouawad found inspiration in the late French actor and mime Jacques Lecoq’s approach to theater training, which prescribes a series of exercises encouraging performers to express emotion and character with movement as their faces are covered by masks. With additional influences from Robert Wilson, Richard Foreman, Alain Platel, and Trisha Brown, these mentors have helped Imago’s creators produce some of the most innovative performances in the United States. *Frogz* was first introduced to audiences in 1979 and became an international sensation. Audience enthusiasm and delight has fueled Imago’s heavy touring schedule with performances throughout the United States and abroad, including stops in Berlin, Taiwan, and Broadway. The company has been honored frequently by the National Endowment for the Arts and has performed its works on stage and on television in Europe, Asia, Russia and North America.

TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets for Imago Theatre's *Frogz* on Saturday, November 23 at 2:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 24 at 3:00 p.m. in Zellerbach Hall range from \$22.00 to \$52.00 and are subject to change; and children under 16 are half price. Half-price tickets are available for UC Berkeley students. Tickets are available through the Ticket Office at Zellerbach Hall; at (510) 642-9988; at www.calperformances.org; and at the door. For more information about discounts, go to www.calperformances.org/buy/discounts.php.

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CALENDAR EDITORS, PLEASE NOTE:

CAL PERFORMANCES PRESENTS

Saturday, November 23 at 2:00 p.m.

Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley Campus

Sunday, November 24 at 3:00 p.m.

Bancroft Way at Dana Street, Berkeley

For Families:

Frogz!

Imago Theatre

Carol Triffle, Artistic Co-director

Jerry Mouawad, Artistic Co-director

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