

Sunday, April 26, 2009, 8pm
Zellerbach Hall

David Sedaris



With sardonic wit and incisive social critiques, **David Sedaris** has become one of America's pre-eminent humor writers. The great skill with which he slices through cultural euphemisms and political correctness proves that Mr. Sedaris is a master of satire and one of the most observant writers addressing the human condition today.

David Sedaris is the author *Barrel Fever* and *Holidays on Ice*, as well as collections of personal essays, *Naked*, *Me Talk Pretty One Day*, *Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim* and *When You Are Engulfed in Flames*, each of which became a best-seller. There are a total of seven million copies of his books in print and they have been translated into 25 languages. He was the editor of *Children Playing Before a Statue of Hercules: An Anthology of Outstanding Stories*. Mr. Sedaris's pieces appear

regularly in *The New Yorker* and have twice been included in *The Best American Essays*. He and his sister, Amy Sedaris, have collaborated under the name "The Talent Family" and have written half-a-dozen plays which have been produced at La Mama, Lincoln Center and The Drama Department in New York City. These plays include *Stump the Host*, *Stitches*, *One Woman Shoe* (which received an Obie Award), *Incident at Cobbler's Knob* and *The Book of Liz*, which was published in book form by Dramatists Play Service. David Sedaris's original radio pieces can often be heard on *This American Life*, distributed nationally by Public Radio International and produced by WBEZ. David Sedaris has been nominated for three Grammy Awards for Best Spoken Word and Best Comedy Album.

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