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EVENT DATE RESCHEDULED

**AN EVENING WITH DAVID RAKOFF SCHEDULED FOR
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, HAS BEEN CANCELED;
RESCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2012
AT 7:00 P.M. IN ZELLERBACH HALL.**

BERKELEY, September 1, 2011—David Rakoff, the eagle-eyed observer of American life, has postponed his upcoming tour which includes his Cal Performances' Strictly Speaking event on **Saturday, October 22**. His talk has been re-scheduled to **Sunday, February 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.** in **Zellerbach Hall**. A regular contributor to public radio's *This American Life* and the author of *New York Times* bestsellers *Fraud* and *Don't Get Too Comfortable*, Rakoff contributes his witty, heartfelt—and often skeptical—outlook on life. Although Canadian-born, he is considered a New York writer in temperament and tone. His 2010 book is titled *Half Empty* (2010) and examines the power of negative thinking from his unique perspective. Rakoff was recently nominated for the Thurber Prize for American Humor.

Cal Performances' Ticket Office will be sending replacement tickets for the February 19, 2012 performance to all ticketholders; patrons are asked to discard the October tickets, as they are not longer valid. The rescheduled date may not be convenient for all patrons. If patrons are unable to attend the February 19 performance, they may exchange their tickets for another Cal Performances event this season, donate tickets back to Cal Performances or request a refund. To request a refund, please return the new tickets to the Ticket Office no later than October 22, 2011. Patrons may return tickets to Cal Performances in person or by mail, fax, and e-mail. If indirect patrons should include a phone number so that the Ticket Office can inform them when the refund is processed. Please direct questions to the Ticket Office at 510-642-9988 or tickets@calperfs.berkeley.edu.

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NEW DATE!

Saturday, February 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley Campus
Bancroft Way at Telegraph Ave., Berkeley

Stricly Speaking

David Rakoff, writer

Program: David Rakoff, the eagle-eyed observer of the idiosyncrasies of American life and bestselling author, speaks at Zellerbach Hall.

Tickets: Tickets are \$24.00, \$30.00, \$36.00 and \$40.00, available through the Cal Performances Ticket Office at Zellerbach Hall; at (510) 642-9988 to charge by phone; at www.calperformances.org; and at the door.

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