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“Unspeakably Talented” Trocks Return to the Carpenter Center on January 29 and 30

The hilarious and en pointe Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo kick off the Center’s season dance performances

LONG BEACH, California — Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo return to the Carpenter Performing Arts Center for two shows, January 29, 2022 at 8 p.m. and January 30, 2022 at 2 p.m. The Center is located on the campus of California State University, Long Beach.

Affectionately known as “The Trocks,” the company was founded in 1974 by a group of ballet enthusiasts to present a playful, entertaining view of traditional classical ballet in parody form. Quickly gathering critical attention, the company shot to international success by masterfully combining their exceptionally strong technique with comedic choreography. *The New York Times* continues to hail their performances as “wholly spectacular,” and they’ve gained wide acclaim in two recent documentaries: *Rebels on Pointe* (2017) and *Ballet Boys* (2021).

The Trocks convey their passion for dance with every performance, and have captured the hearts of audiences for over 40 years. They’ve performed for members of Great Britain’s Royal Family, enjoy a rock star-like following in Japan, and are back to delight Southern California fans with their seventh high-kicking and pirouette-filled performance at the Carpenter Center.

Event Details

Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo

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When: Saturday, January 29 at 8 p.m. / Doors open at 7:30 p.m. & Sunday, January 30 at 2 p.m. / Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

Venue: Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center at 6200 E. Atherton St. Long Beach, CA 90815

Tickets: \$55, available online at carpenterarts.org.

Additional ticketing information is available at carpenterarts.org/ticket-office.

Press photos are available at carpenterarts.org/press.

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Attendance Information

Attendees must be fully vaccinated and show proof of vaccination or a recent negative PCR test result. Masks are required. For details, see carpenterarts.org/faq.

About the Carpenter Center

Now celebrating its 26th season, the Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center located on the California State University, Long Beach campus gracefully accommodates large and small productions, seating 1,054 patrons. Each season, the Carpenter Center showcases emerging and established musicians, dancers, actors, speakers, comedians, and visual artists, as well as other artistic, educational, and cultural experiences that enrich lives, promote lifelong learning in and through the performing arts and serve as a gateway between the university and the greater community.

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