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Strathmore Presents
THE PEKING ACROBATS

Amazing Acrobatics with Live Traditional Chinese Music and High-Tech Special Effects

N. Bethesda, Md.-- Strathmore presents The Peking Acrobats at the Music Center at Strathmore on Friday, February 26 at 8:00 p.m. The internationally acclaimed troupe is audience favorites, and their 2009 performance sold-out. Tickets are \$25-\$48. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (301) 581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

The Peking Acrobats perform daring maneuvers atop a precarious pagoda of chairs; they are experts at treacherous wire-walking, trick-cycling, precision tumbling, somersaulting, and gymnastics. They defy gravity with amazing displays of contortion, flexibility, and control. They push the envelope of human possibility with astonishing juggling dexterity and incredible balancing feats, showcasing tremendous skill and ability. They are masters of agility and grace.

While the acrobats perform awe-inspiring feats, live musicians skillfully play traditional Chinese instruments synchronized with high-tech special effects. The Acrobats' exuberant event features all the excitement and festive pageantry of a Chinese carnival. "Amazing - and stunning, and breathtaking and WOW!" (*Seattle Times*)

The Peking Acrobats set the world record for the human chair stack, balancing six people precariously atop six chairs 21 feet up in the air without safety lines, on Fox's "Guinness Book" prime time TV show. They are also making the scene on the silver screen as company members were featured in Stephen Soderbergh's hit films *Ocean's 11* and *Ocean's 12*. The Peking Acrobats have been featured on several national television shows and celebrity-studded TV specials, including "The Wayne Brady Show," "That's Incredible," and ABC's "Wide World of Sports," NBC's "Ring in the New Year Holiday Special" and on Nickelodeon's hit show, "Unfabulous."

Strathmore is an established arts presenter and cultural destination, nurtures art, artists and community through creative and diverse programming of the highest quality and is home to the Music

Center at Strathmore, a 1,976-seat concert hall and education complex. The Music Center at Strathmore, located at 5301 Tuckerman Lane in North Bethesda, MD, is immediately adjacent to the Grosvenor-Strathmore station on Metro's Red Line and a half-mile from the Capital Beltway. For those attending a ticketed performance at the Music Center at Strathmore, parking in the Metro garage is complimentary with your ticket. For further information or tickets, call (301) 581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

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Evening Program

Opening Ceremony/ Double Pole Position
Magic Carpet Ride
Water Meteors
Diving Daring Do
Jar Juggling
Laughter in the Air
Just Skatin' By
Amazing Adagio
The Nose Knows It
Five-Girl Contortion
Kung-Fu Surprise

Intermission

Lion Dance
Let the Spinning Plates Spin
Get Strapped In
Colorful Contortionists
Keep It Under Your Hat
It's a Tight Squeeze
In the High Chair
Human Pyramid/ Bicycle Pagoda

Finale

PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE