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ROBBERT BOBBERT AND THE BUBBLE MACHINE IN MILLENNIUM PARK AUGUST 31 AT 6:30 PM

The Perfect End of Summer Family Concert Opens with the Bunny Clogs

Summer draws to a close on August 31, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion with the Family Fun Festival special presentation Robbert Bobbert and the Bubble Machine with the Bunny Clogs. Robbert Bobbert (*the alter ego of Robert Schneider from 'The Apples in Stereo'*) brings his raucously infectious musical mayhem to Millennium Park for an end-of-summer concert, entertaining kids and parents alike with his Beach Boys-inspired indie-rock songbook. This family concert, sponsored by Target, is the third and final Family Fun Festival special presentation this summer.

The Bunny Clogs will kick off the evening with their own brand of funky dance rock for kids. They will perform songs off their debut record, "More! More! More!" which has been described as part comedy and part dance party while delivering an overall positive message. Their music will delight kids of any age.

Family programming takes place every day in Millennium Park, from June 10 through September 4 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Family Fun tent. The line-up includes Wiggleworms at 10 a.m., a reading circle at 11 a.m., and concerts by some of the most notable names in local and regional entertainment at 1:00 and 1:45 p.m. Additionally, throughout the day, the Family Fun tent's Activity Zone includes hands-on craft projects and garden, science and environmental activities led by some of the region's popular museums and cultural institutions. The Family Fun Festival is sponsored by Target.

Millennium Park, managed and programmed by the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs, is located in the heart of downtown Chicago. It is bordered by Michigan Ave. to the west, Columbus Dr. to the east, Randolph St. to the north and Monroe St. to the south. Convenient parking is located in the Millennium Park Garage (entrance on Columbus at Monroe or Randolph) and at the Grant Park North and East Monroe Garages, all located within a short walking distance of Millennium Park.

Millennium Park is an award-winning center for art, music, architecture and landscape design. The result of a unique partnership between the City of Chicago and the philanthropic community, the 24.5-acre park features the work of world-renowned architects, planners, artists and designers. Among Millennium Park's prominent features are the Frank Gehry-designed Jay Pritzker Pavilion, the most sophisticated outdoor concert venue of its kind in the United States; the interactive Crown Fountain by Jaume Plensa; the contemporary Lurie Garden designed by the team of Gustafson Guthrie Nichol, Piet Oudolf and Robert Israel; and Anish Kapoor's hugely popular Cloud Gate sculpture. Since its opening in July 2004, Millennium Park has welcomed more than 16 million people, making it one of the most popular destinations in Chicago.

For more information about Robbert Bobbert and the Bubble Machine with the Bunny Clogs in Millennium Park, visit www.millenniumpark.org or call 312.742.1168.

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