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STEOLOGY
 Presents the
2009 BAY AREA TAP FESTIVAL
August 16-23, 2009

WHAT: STEPOLOGY, a San Francisco-based nonprofit corporation, presents the 2009 Bay Area Tap Festival. The Festival, now in its seventh year, celebrates the uniquely American art form of tap dance, and features Festival artists in a week of instructional workshop classes hosted by San Francisco Dance Center. The Festival culminates with the *Bay Area Rhythm Exchange* – a two-night production which features Festival artists with live musical accompaniment at Herbst Theatre.

A diverse, multi-generational roster of today's tap stars from Broadway, film, and the concert stage returns for the annual concert performance, which has been featured in the San Francisco Chronicle's "Top Ten Dance Performances of the Year" in multiple years. The cast includes Special Guest Ted L. Levy (*Black & Blue, Jelly's Last Jam*), Channing Cook Holmes (*Riverdance, Gangs of New York, Bojangles*), Festival Director John Kloss (*Tap Heat*), Dormeshia Sumbry-Edwards (*Bring in 'da Noise, Bring in 'da Funk; Bamboozled*), Sam Weber (*Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood*), San Francisco's own Barbary Coast Cloggers, and more.

WHEN: Workshop: Monday, August 17 through Sunday, August 23
 Panel Discussion: TBA
 Concert Performances: *The Bay Area Rhythm Exchange* – Fri.-Sat. Aug. 21-22 at 8PM.

WHERE: Workshop and Panel Disc: San Francisco Dance Center, 26 7th St., 5th Fl., SF, CA 94103
 Concert Performance: San Francisco War Memorial and Performing Arts Center
 Herbst Theatre -- 401 Van Ness, San Francisco, CA 94102

TICKETS: \$17-25. Student/senior/early purchase/multiple-night discounts available.
CHARGE-BY-PHONE/INFORMATION: (415) 392-4400
 Tickets Available at CITY BOX OFFICE, 180 Redwood St.
 Order Online: www.cityboxoffice.com

REGISTER: The instructional workshop features a variety of levels of tap dance classes. Registration and General Information are available online at www.stepology.com.

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