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**TREAT YOURSELF TO AN EVENING OF LAUGHTER WITH
THE SECOND CITY TOURING COMPANY'S
PRESENTATION OF
*ONE NATION, UNDER BLOG***

The Second City, Chicago's legendary comedy theatre, brings some of the best sketches, songs, and improvisations from the company's more than 40-year history to Columbus in a one night only performance of *One Nation, Under Blog*. Not only will audiences have the chance to see up-and-coming comedy stars in the making, but they will also have the opportunity to experience absolutely hilarious satire and cutting-edge improvisation. *One Nation, Under Blog*, the company's newest touring show, mines comedic gold from today's headlines and the worlds of politics, entertainment, and media.

CAPA welcomes The Second City presentation of *One Nation, Under Blog* to the **Southern Theatre** (21 E. Main St.) on **Friday, March 21**, at **8 pm**. **Tickets** are \$30 and \$25 at the Ohio Theatre Ticket Office (39 E. State St.), all Ticketmaster outlets, and www.ticketmaster.com. To purchase tickets by phone, please call (614) 431-3600 or (614) 469-0939. The Southern Theatre Ticket Office will open two hours prior to the performance. Students between the ages of 13-19 may purchase \$5 High Five tickets while available. This presentation is made possible in part through the generous support of **Univar**.

The Second City began in a converted Chinese laundry on Chicago's north side in 1959. By the next century, the company had established itself as the premier comedy institution in the world. With theatres in Chicago, Toronto, Detroit, Las Vegas, and Denver, training centers in each of those cities as well as New York and Los Angeles, a corporate division that offers creative services to the business world, a TV and film division, and touring troupes that bring its unique brand of improv-based sketch comedy all over the world, The Second City has become, in the words of *The New York Times*, "A Comedy Empire."

The touring troupes at The Second City have been the springboard for generations of the comedy world's best and brightest. Its alumni list includes Alan Arkin, Joan Rivers, Robert Klein, Peter Boyle, Harold Ramis, John Belushi, Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, Gilda Radner, John Candy, Martin Short, George Wendt, Julia

Louis Dreyfus, Chris Farley, Ryan Stiles, Mike Myers, Rachel Dratch, Tina Fey, and more.

In addition to stellar talent, The Second City's other chief export is comedy that is both hilarious and thought provoking, smart and silly, sophisticated and wild. The concept is simple—six actors augmented by a musical accompanist and a sound and lighting director perform a two-act revue featuring sketch comedy, songs, and improvisation. The Second City touring troupes are also creating on-the-spot, topical comedy that changes with every performance. No topic or subject matter is off limits. If your parents asked you not to speak about it at the dinner table, chances are it will be made fun of in an evening with The Second City.

The **Ohio Arts Council** helped fund this program with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, education excellence, and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans. CAPA also appreciates the support of **The Columbus Foundation**, assisting donors and others in strengthening our community for the benefit of all of its citizens, and the **Greater Columbus Arts Council**, supporting the city's artists and arts organizations since 1973.

Owner/operator of downtown Columbus' magnificent historic theatres (Ohio Theatre, Palace Theatre, Southern Theatre) and manager of the Riffe Center Theatre Complex (Columbus) and the Shubert Theater (New Haven, CT), **CAPA** is an award-winning presenter of national and international performing arts and entertainment. For more information, visit www.capa.com.

CALENDAR LISTING

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