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**Musicians Igudesman & Joo Cap the Carpenter Center’s 2021-2022 Season with Comedy
Mayhem and Classical Virtuosity in “Play It Again” on Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m.**

*This unique theatrical show brings violinist Aleksey Igudesman and pianist Hyung-ki Joo
back to the Carpenter Stage for their only West Coast performance this season*

LONG BEACH, California — Classical musicians Aleksey Igudesman (violin) and Hyung-ki Joo (piano) return to the Carpenter Center on the campus of California State University, Long Beach, on Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m., bringing their inventive humor, classical virtuosity, and pop culture references to their new theatrical show, “Play it Again.” Following in the footsteps of Victor Borge and Dudley Moore, Igudesman & Joo combine the music of the masters with comic feats to inspire audiences to explore and engage with the world of classical music.

In this afternoon’s musical choose-your-own adventure, the duo—who have performed at the Hollywood Bowl and Carnegie Hall—turn a traditional concert on its head, beginning their performance with an encore. The afternoon show marks the third time the duo have appeared on the Center’s stage. A finale to the Carpenter Center’s 2021-2022 season, Igudesman & Joo’s “Play it Again” is the last chance to catch a season performance at the Carpenter Center until September.

About Igudesman & Joo

Aleksey Igudesman and Hyung-ki Joo met at the age of twelve at the Yehudi Menuhin School in England. Classically trained, the pair have performed with the world’s leading orchestras and have shared their mayhem on stage with leading musicians, including Joshua Bell, Emanuel Ax, and Yuja Wang. Composers, authors, and YouTube stars, Igudesman and Joo have also worked with Bill Joel and John Malkovich on musical projects, and have collaborated with Sir Roger Moore for UNICEF.

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Event Details

Igudesman & Joo – *Play it Again*

When: Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 2 p.m. / Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

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

Tickets: \$35, available at carpenterarts.org.

Refreshments can be purchased and enjoyed in the Center's lobby.

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

Press photos are available at carpenterarts.org/press.

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For our latest attendance information, please 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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