On Sunday afternoon, September 13th, UConn’s Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts invites you and your family to take the journey of a lifetime and step into the “unbubbllievable” world of Fan Yang: Gazillion Bubble Show, a marvelously entertaining and interactive stage production that combines gazillions of glistening bubbles of every size, shape, and color with dazzling lighting, spellbinding lasers, breathtaking music, and jaw-dropping demonstrations of bubble wizardry by the show’s creator, Fan Yang, and his family of bubble artists. Fun for the whole family and appropriate for all ages, the 60-plus minute Gazillion Bubble Show starts at 2:00 pm in Jorgensen’s intimate chamber setting, which allows perfect viewing for even the smallest audience member. Soda and candy bars will be available for purchase when the doors open at 1:00 pm, and there will also be a special hour of bubbly fun and games to kick off Jorgensen’s 2015-2016 children’s events.

“After many years I’ve learned to manipulate bubbles and bring the bubble to a totally new artistic level by making the bubble every size, shape, and hue. When people come to the show they just cannot believe what we can do with a bubble,” says Fan, who is currently a 16-time Guinness Book of World Record holder for his achievements with bubbles, most recently having put an 8,800 pound elephant in a bubble.

Fan says his fascination with bubbles started as a little boy playing in the river near his house, where he found himself captivated by the reflections he saw on the small bubbles floating on the surface of the water. Some years later, when a friend gave him a small bubble toy, he began his study of bubbles in earnest.

“I was playing with the toy and making bubbles, and there was a particular bubble which flew into the atmosphere and then came down and landed on the grass. At that moment, I saw a clear reflection of the light hitting the surface of the soap; it was like a beautiful rainbow,” says Fan. “It was then that I decided to find out how to make the biggest possible bubble so I could observe the different reflections of light. And by following my imagination, I just kept trying to find the best possible mixture to make the biggest possible bubble I could make. This is how I started. I never thought I would ever be doing bubble shows on stage and traveling around the world.”

Fan Yang’s Gazillion Bubble Show has thrilled audiences in dozens of major cities including New York, Las Vegas, Tokyo, Seoul, Rome, Singapore, Istanbul, Moscow, Hanoi, Shanghai, Bangkok, Buenos Aires, El Salvador, and Rio. The show has also been featured on The Oprah Winfrey Show, The David Letterman Show, Live with Regis and Kelly, The Ellen Degeneres Show, The View, CBS Sunday Morning, NBC, ABC, CBS, CW1, and FOX networks.

Regarded as the world’s foremost bubble scientist, artist, and performer, over the past two decades Fan has dedicated himself to exploring the fascinating unknown world of soap
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bubbles, combining art with science to transform the simple bubble into a beautiful piece of art. His ingenious creations and dedication to the pursuit of his dream have brought to life an utterly unique form of entertainment.

Fan has also conceived and manufactured his own bubble toy which he’s named The Ultimate Bubble Toy. Unlike any other bubble toy on the market, The Ultimate Bubble Toy was created entirely by Fan based on his scientific knowledge and artistic skill. Combined with a special bubble solution made with a “secret formula”, it allows for stunning bubble creations such as bubbles inside a bubble, bouncing bubbles, floating bubbles, mega bubbles, millions of tiny bubbles, and many other unique bubble tricks.

Fan’s immediate family members, (wife, Anna Yang; brother, Jano Yang; son, Deni Yang; and daughter, Melody Yang), are well-acclaimed and highly skilled bubble artists, and when not assisting Fan on stage they can be found dazzling audiences with their own unique renditions of the Gazillion Bubble Show.

“Our show is hard to describe, you have to experience it,” says Fan. “I think from the beginning to the end people are just glued to the stage because they don’t know what is going to happen; they just float with the bubbles.”

For more information visit www.gazillionbubbleshow.com.

This year the University of Connecticut’s Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts proudly celebrates its 60th anniversary. Established in December of 1955, Jorgensen has grown to become the largest college-based presenting program in New England. Each season Jorgensen enriches the lives of students, faculty, staff, and area residents with 30 to 35 diverse performances from nationally and internationally acclaimed artists and ensembles ranging from classical music to world music and dance, classical ballet and contemporary dance, comedy, family programming, and contemporary entertainment. Dedicated to University of Connecticut president Albert N. Jorgensen, Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts continues to follow his vision of the University as the state’s educational and cultural leader.

Jorgensen was named Best College/University Performing Arts Center in the Hartford Advocate Best of Hartford Readers’ Poll for both 2012, 2013 and CTNOW Best of Hartford Readers’ Poll for 2015.

Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts is located at 2132 Hillside Road on the UConn campus in Storrs. Tickets prices for Adults are $22, Children $20. Tickets to this performance are available now online.

For tickets and information, call the Box Office at 860.486.4226, Monday through Friday, 10 am - 5 pm, and 90 minutes prior to events, or order online at jorgensen.uconn.edu. Convenient $5 event parking is available in the North Garage. Free parking is available in Lots 9, F, and L. For a detailed parking map, go to park.uconn.edu.

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