



la Famiglia

Zoppé~An Italian Family Circus

Spring 2009

It is with a heavy heart that I bring you this edition of our newsletter, *la Famiglia*. As most of you are aware, my father, Alberto, passed away on March 5th and we are only beginning to comprehend the reality that he will not be with us on tour this year. How does one embrace the idea that the show must go on without him? He is truly the essence of our show and it is increasingly difficult to imagine going into the ring without his physical presence. He has given us an immeasurable wealth of knowledge and support throughout our lives and we will be forever grateful. We know, in our hearts, that he would want us to continue his dream....and so we will.



Ciao for now,

Giovanni Zoppé

Mission Statement

Zoppé an Italian Family Circus is a performing arts troupe dedicated to the celebration of life, love and family. We are committed to the preservation of traditional Italian family circus. Our vision is a modern day presentation that has deep roots in both history and heritage. The goal of each performance is an entertainment and educational experience that sends the audience home with a happy heart and enchanting memories.

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THE SHOW MUST GO ON:
A TRIBUTE TO ALBERTO ZOPPE

The 2009 season is due to open April 17th in Ridgeland, MS at Kidfest! Ridgeland. This stop is a favorite of the Zoppé Troupe and an excellent start to the tour. Some early dates in the tour are as follows:



- Ridgeland, MS April 18-19
- Decatur, AL April 22-25
- Overland Park, KS May 14-16
- Wausau, WI June 24-28

Alberto Zoppé (Photo by: Scott Raffe)

Zoppé Favorites Return

Equestrian ballerina, Tosca Zoppé, (daughter of Alberto and Sandra Zoppé) will return for the show's 2009 Tour. In addition to Tosca's return, the show is pleased to welcome back her husband, Jay Walther, also known as Papino. In 2008 Jay and Tosca shared their talents with many Chicago area children as they instructed bareback riding at Camp Big Top/Little Top. The Zoppé Circus family is thrilled to once again bring audiences the beautiful artistry of Tosca combined with the unique and antique comedy between Papino and Nino.

A Video Tribute to Alberto Zoppé

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