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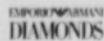
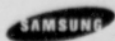


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## Blazing Guitars and Arena Rock

Like toast and jam, or a wink and a smile, so goes together Rodrigo y Gabriela's unlikely blend of Latin music and heavy metal, coming to the Oregon Zoo, Friday, Aug. 31 at 7 p.m. as part of the Wells Fargo Summer Concert Series presented by Fred Meyer.

"Rodrigo y Gabriela" hardly sounds like the name of an Irish metal band - but while Rodrigo (Sanchez) and Gabriela (Quintero) are Mexican and play acoustic guitars, the duo, now based in Dublin, still channels the blazing guitar riffs and arena-rock ambi-



Heavy metal and Latin duo Rodrigo y Gabriela perform Friday, Aug. 31 at the Oregon Zoo.

of the metal bands they grew up listening to. "Rodrigo y Gabriela are more than a tribute to heavy metal or Latin music," said Krista Swan, event coordinator. "Their instrumental experimentation has produced a unique blend that goes above and beyond the bound-

aries of either genre."

With their unique combination, Rodrigo y Gabriela have earned praise from fans, peers and critics alike. They have played alongside Damien Rice, an early fan of the duo, and acts as diverse as Courtney Pine, the Buena Vista Social Club and Murray Lachan Young.

## 'Zap Mama' at the Aladdin

The African musical entity known as 'Zap Mama' will feature their first new material in more than three years when they perform Saturday, Sept. 1 at 9 p.m. at the Aladdin Theater, 3017 S.W. Milwaukie.

When vocalist Marie Daulne started the Zap Mama 15 years ago, it was a female a cappella group that drew on Congolese pygmy music. Since then, Daulne has added a band, scored a Grammy nomination and

reached #1 on the Billboard Top World Music Albums chart.

The group is best known for its engaging blend of World, Jazz, Funk and R&B music.

Tickets are \$25 at the theater and [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com).



Afropean 'Zap Mama' brings her blend of world, jazz, funk and R&B to the Aladdin Theater stage Saturday, Sept. 1.