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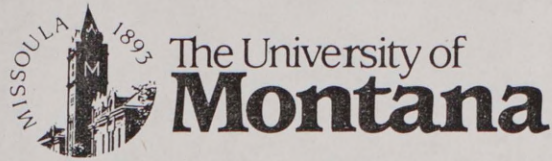
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UPCOMING ROCK CONCERT BENEFITS UM PROGRAM

MISSOULA —

The music of twin sisters Tegan and Sara has been described as “post-punk grrrl rock not bound by conventional musical cliches.” On Friday, April 29, this unique duo will perform at The University of Montana’s third annual Spring Thaw, a fund-raiser for UM’s Entertainment Management Program.

The indie rock concert kicks off at 8 p.m. in the University Center Ballroom. Local musician Purrbot will open. Tickets cost \$15 and are available at the UC Box Office, Ear Candy, InHouseTickets.com and Rockin Rudy’s.

Spring Thaw sponsors include the Entertainment Management Program, UM Productions, the Blaze 96.3 FM and Wild 107.5 FM.

Tegan and Sara are currently on a sold-out tour opening for the Killers. These Canadians write their own music and co-produced their last album, “So Jealous.” Critics agree they are on the verge of breaking out, and their UM show might be one of the last chances to see them in such an intimate venue. Visit TeganandSara.com to hear songs from their latest album and check out links to their video on VH1.com.

UM’s Entertainment Management Program is one of the few such programs in the country. Now in its fourth year and limited to 35 to 45 students, subjects covered during the

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course include venue management, touring management, new media, artist management, and entertainment marketing and promotions. The program already has placed several graduates at prestigious entertainment firms.

The course is taught exclusively by entertainment industry professionals. They include Mike McGinley, a longtime member of management teams for acts such as the Rolling Stones and Sting, and Maria Brunner, the founder of Insight Management, which has clients ranging from Fleetwood Mac to Uncle Kracker. The class also has been led by entertainment legends such as Jim Fogelson, a recent inductee into the Country Music Hall of Fame.

The Entertainment Management Program was started by the surprising number of Montana alumni who have done well in the industry and want to help develop the next generation of entertainment experts back home. They organized a Mannheim Steamroller benefit concert in Billings in 2001 to generate startup funds for the program.

To learn more about the program call Maria Brunner at (408) 951-4229 or Scott Douglas at (607) 972-1160.

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