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BLUE MAN GROUP GETS READY TO ROCK BAND INKS MULTI-ALBUM DEAL WITH LAVA RECORDS

*New Album The Complex Scheduled For April 2003
Featuring Guest Collaborators Dan The Automator,
Tracy Bonham, Esthero and Dave Matthews*

JANUARY 23, 2003 NEW YORK, NY — Critically acclaimed musical pioneers Blue Man Group have signed a multi-album recording contract with Lava Records, home of Kid Rock, Uncle Kracker, Simple Plan and Trans Siberian Orchestra. Blue Man Group will release their first, full-fledged rock n' roll album *The Complex* featuring guest collaborations with Dan the Automator, Tracy Bonham, Esthero, Josh Haden, Dave Matthews, and others. *The Complex* will be in stores April 22nd, 2003.

Blue Man Group founders, Matt Goldman, Phil Stanton and Chris Wink recorded *The Complex* at their enigmatic New York facility, where they were able to record as well as build the wide array of unusual invented instruments used on the album. Aided by the help of some of today's most intriguing vocalists, Blue Man Group has successfully moved beyond the instrumental category and has catapulted full force into the rock world.

According to Stanton, "We think the whole point of collaboration is to create a special alchemy that pushes the work into an unpredictable new place, and the whole point of making a rock album is to shake things up and push the whole music scene to a new place as well."

While recording the album, the trio simultaneously created and developed a technically superior concert event that will correspond with the album. The tour will undoubtedly raise the bar on state-of-the-art concert technology, while combining elements of performance art, rave culture and rock n' roll.

"Our concept from the beginning was to make a record that would fuel a groundbreaking rock concert experience," commented Wink. Adds Goldman, "It's been a while since music fans have been given an album that was linked to a visceral, over-the-top, rock concert event, on par with that of a Pink Floyd. It may sound presumptuous, but our approach has always been to aim high, so this is the level we are shooting for."

The new album builds on the success of the group's debut album *Audio*, which was nominated for a Grammy Award as Best Pop Instrumental Album in 2000. Blue Man Group teamed with Moby and Jill Scott for a groundbreaking, electrifying performance on the 2001 Grammy Awards telecast. Today, Blue Man announces that the RIAA has certified sales of *Audio* as Gold.

THE COMPLEX TRACK LISTING:

1. Above
2. Time To Start
3. Sing Along (featuring Dave Matthews)
4. Up To The Roof (featuring Tracy Bonham)
5. Your Attention
6. Persona (featuring Josh Haden)
7. Piano Smasher
8. White Rabbit (featuring Esthero)
9. The Current (featuring Avram Gleitsman)
10. I Feel Love (featuring Venus Hum)
11. Shadows Part 2
12. What Is Rock
13. The Complex
14. Exhibit 13

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