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Author/Illustrator Trevor Romain to Bring Comic Relief to Military Children in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba on USO Educational Tour

ARLINGTON, Va. – Austin-based children’s author/ animator Trevor Romain will bring his unique blend of comedy and self-help messages, also referred to as ‘comical sense,’ to military schoolchildren in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba as part of the USO Celebrity Education Program March 29-April 5. The fourth USO tour for Romain, he will visit with W.T. Sampson Elementary, Middle and High School students, perform stand-up comedy and extend his heartfelt thanks to those with loved ones serving overseas in the U.S. armed forces.

The only USO entertainer to make children laugh while teaching them to face life’s toughest challenges, Romain has entertained and educated approximately 5,000 military school children in Japan, Guam and Germany since he began working with the USO in 2006. Capturing their attention with his wit and charm, he connects with children of all ages and talks with them about military life. Whether leading real life discussions, providing practical advice, telling a story or listening to what they have to say, Romain is committed to supporting those in uniform and their families.

“Most children today feel lost, neglected or powerless at some point in their lives,” says Romain. “Whether they’re new in school, experiencing a divorce or living with parents serving in the military, the emotions are all the same. And traveling with the USO affords me the opportunity to show military children I care about them and am grateful to their parents.”

Born in South Africa, Romain served in the South African Army for two years before becoming an award-winning author and illustrator, and one of today’s most sought-after motivational speakers. Often describing himself as Monty Python meets Dr. Seuss at Jerry Seinfeld’s house, Romain oversees a collection of self-help books for children. Having sold more than one million copies worldwide, he is also the host of an animated DVD series, to include his newest addition, “If You Don’t Take Care of Your Body, Where Else Are You Going To Live?”

According to the U.S. Department of Defense, there are currently 1.4 million active-duty U.S. service members and 1.2 million members of the National Guard and Reserves, with many serving overseas. USO entertainment tours are essential to fulfilling the USO’s mission of boosting troop morale.

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