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Iman Lizarazu is passionate about clowning, and dedicates her time and considerable energy to exploring and honing her craft. After four decades of training her capable and expressive physique, Iman has created an engaging 75-minute solo show entitled "Basquette Quese". This entertaining portrayal of a character suffering from insomnia takes us through one night, with a series of mesmerizing vignettes. Iman's intelligence, passion to perform, and deep range of techniques have come together to create an amazing, tender, and insightful character. And of course, a provocative soundtrack to propel the story, composed by Jon Scoville and Les Yeux Noir.

Iman was born in a small village in the Basque region of France, where her family has lived for over 800 years. Iman studied at the School of Mime with Marcel Marceau, and with Masters Julie Goell and Avner the Eccentric. This background helped Iman combine her training with her rich cultural background, resulting in a compelling, intoxicating show. Iman also performs in Tandy Beal and Company's *Mixed Nutz!: the Nutcracker REMixed* to glowing reviews. Wallace Baine of the Santa Cruz Sentinel says: "*Weaving through the architecture of the "Nutcracker" story is a collection of amazing performers including Iman Lizarazu, the multi-talented juggler/clown who serves as the show's "narrator" though she has no lines.*"

Iman is co-owner and co-creator of Renegade Juggling, where she and her partners have made juggling equipment for 25 years.