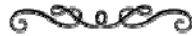


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MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Saturday, May 16th - Margaret Marshall Retirement Celebration, 4:00-7:00pm, Potiker Theatre. [RSVP](#).



FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

2009 H1N1 Flu Information - UCSD officials continue to monitor the developing situation involving human influenza A ("Swine Flu") infection. More info [here](#).



DEPARTMENT NEWS

Professor **Alan Burrett** (Lighting Design Faculty) designed the lights for Puccini's [Madame Butterfly](#), currently running at San Diego Opera. (Reviews [here](#) and [here](#).) **James Tan**, Year II MFA Lighting Design student, is co-designing a dance performance with Alan at 10th Avenue Theatre - [Voices: Mapping the Hood](#), presented by Eveoke Dance Theatre. This performance is one component of a two-part artistic rendering of stories titled *Art at the Core: Building Community*. The stories being told are about the people and the places that make up the sister communities of North Park and City Heights. Using art as the catalyst, Eveoke Dance Theatre hopes that their multimedia dance theatre production and visual art Installations will reflect lived experiences, collective concerns, and community celebrations.



On Tuesday, March 10th, the Romanian Association of Theatre (UNITER) published the list of nominees for the 2008 Annual Theatre Awards. The Hungarian Theatre of Cluj received 7 nominations out of 9 possible categories for [Three Sisters](#), which opened in September, directed by **Gábor Tompa**, Head of MFA Directing at UCSD. Gábor was nominated for "Best Director" and **Andrei Both**, Head of Design at UCSD, was nominated for "Best Stage-designer." The awards were made on April 27th – Gábor won for "Best Director" and the company won for "Best Performance of 2008."

MFA II Directing student **Tom Dugdale** collaborated with music professor János Négyesy on a concert event, [VIOLIN+](#), staged recently in the beautiful new music building. The concert was the very first event in the building's experimental, black-box space. Alum **Rebecca Bruno** (BA Dance '08), who choreographed for *Woyzeck*, did some of the movement.

ADMINISTRIVIA

May 14th - Financial aid withdrawal date to retain 100% federal aid

May 16th – Margaret Marshall [Farewell](#)

May 29th - Drop without penalty of "F" grade - end of 9th week (undergraduates)

Final Exam Schedule – [available online](#) now.



ONSTAGE

Coming Soon...



***New Directions* - MFA Student Choreographers' Showcase.**

Co-Directed by **Allyson Green & Margaret C. Marshall.**

MFA Student Choreographers: **Alicia Peterson Baskel** and **Rebecca Salzer**

Undergraduate Choreographers: **Trixi Anne Agiao, Katie Lorge,** and

Morgan McGreevey

This season marks the beginning of the department's new MFA in Dance/Theatre. To celebrate this step forward we've changed the series name to *New Directions – MFA Student Choreographers' Showcase*. Please join us as we highlight works by our first class of graduate students while carrying on the tradition of presenting some of the most promising undergraduate choreographers. Don't miss these exciting new interdisciplinary artists as they strive to redefine the boundaries of dance and dance/theatre.

June 4th – 6th at 8:00pm in the Sheila and Hughes Potiker Theatre



ALUM UPDATES

MFA Directing alum **Michael Greif** ('85) has received a [Tony nomination](#) for his work on *Next to Normal*, which was also nominated for "Best Musical." (The production received a total of 11 nominations).

Amir Khastoo (BA '04) was spotted on CBS TV's [The Mentalist](#) recently. He played a Saudi prince in a heated backgammon battle with Simon Baker. He writes: "If you haven't already seen the show, check it out. It's a lot of fun and the writing is awesome, especially on this episode...:)"

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