

May 9, 2011
Week Seven, Spring Quarter

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Thursday, May 12th - *New Directions* Production Meeting. 9:00 - 10:00am in GH144

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

Input to Student Code of Conduct Revisions Sought - The working group tasked with revising the Code of Conduct needs feedback from the broader UCSD student, faculty, and staff community. Open consultations will be held on Tuesday, May 17th, at 12:00pm and Monday, May 23rd, at 3:00pm in the Price Center East Forum. The UCSD community is also welcome to submit feedback via the work group's [comprehensive web site](#).

DEPARTMENT NEWS



Our 1st & 2nd year graduate students were involved in the Walk MS event recently. The team raised over \$5,500 towards research to find treatments and a cure for Multiple Sclerosis. **Mary Rochon** won the "Rookie Team Captain" Award. It was a great day.

Team members included: **Mary Rochon, Josh Brody, Chris Murillo, Halei Parker, Orli Nativ, Larissa Lury, Laura Zingle, Lauren Juengel, Emily Hayes, Kristin Hayes, Zach Kennedy, Rebecca Bonebrake, Kathryn Lieber, Sherrice Kelly, Nick Drashner, Sonia Fernandez, Shariff Abu-Hamdeh, Elisa Benzoni, and Emily Jankowski-Pezic.**

Congratulations in Order! - We are pleased to pass along news that Design Faculty **Tara Knight** has been selected to receive a 2011-12 [Hellman Fellowship](#). The Hellman Fellowship Program, established through the generosity of Chris and Warren Hellman, is in its seventeenth year and is designed to provide financial support and encouragement to young faculty in the core disciplines who show capacity for great distinction in their research and creative activities.

MORE...

Undergrad Graduation Message - The undergrad representatives want to remind students who will be walking in the Department's ceremony to email them at tdugreps@ucsd.edu by this Friday, May 13th, with the following:

- Your vote for the keynote speaker at graduation (if you haven't already voted)
- Four photos of yourself for the slide show (maybe one single photo and a few group ones)

You can participate in the ceremony even if you plan on staying an extra quarter or two or even the whole year, but you can only partake in these activities once. Monday, May 9th, is the deadline to notify the Undergraduate Coordinator [Laura Jimenez](#) of your intention to participate. The Ceremony will be held on June 3rd.

Next Year's Reps - Reminder, undergraduate students interested in serving as student representatives can pick up an application form at the Department Offices' Main Desk in Galbraith Hall. Applications are due by May 16th.

ONSTAGE

Up Next –



[The Underground New Play Festival](#), May 26th - June 4th.

The Underground New Play Festival has one simple goal this year: to find the unfamiliar in the familiar. We provide a venue for developing theatre artists to explore new areas and delve deeper into the familiar ones. The end result is richly textured, highly physicalized theatre that shows the infinite number of contradictions and similarities contained in each human. Every year, the Underground New Play Festival selects and mounts a full production for six to eight new short plays. New and experienced directors, designers, and actors join together to create works of art bigger than any one person could hope for; works of art that could not exist as they do in any other place, with any other artists.

There are eight works in all. They will be staged in the Arthur Wagner Theatre.

Coming Soon!

[New Directions - MFA I Student Choreographers' Showcase](#), June 1st – 4th. Our first year MFA Dance Theatre choreographer **Anya Cloud** stretches dance theatre boundaries in an inventive, new work along with original works by our most talented undergraduate choreographers.

ADMINISTRIVIA

May 27th – Deadline to drop without a “F”

May 30th - Memorial Day, campus closed.

June 3rd – Undergraduate Department Graduation Ceremony

June 6th – Final Week Begins

ALUM UPDATES

[Toby Jaguar Algva](#) (MFA Sound Design '09) wrote to say: “Just checking in from Portland Stage at the moment where I am designing *The Syringa Tree*. Earlier this year I served as sound supervisor for *Peter and the Starcatchers* at NYTW, then went down to Asolo in Sarasota to work on *Las Meninas*. I just co-designed *The 39 steps* at *Hartford Stage*...looking forward to seeing everyone in New York later this month.”

Congratulations to **Paloma Young** (MFA '06) on her [Drama Desk](#) Award nomination for Best Costume Design for the off-Broadway production of *Peter and the Starcatchers*. The 56th Annual Drama Desk Awards will be held Monday, May 23, 2011 in the Hammerstein Ballroom in Manhattan Center and will be filmed in HD for a 90-minute television special that will be given two primetime airings (plus four additional national broadcasts) on OVATION, the national cable network dedicated to arts culture in America, between June 4th and 19th. The awards ceremony will begin at 9:00pm following a gala sit-down dinner. [Click for a list](#) of all nominations.



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