



2023-2024

FINE & PERFORMING ARTS AT GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE



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WELCOME

Golden West College is raising the curtain on another season of artistic excellence in the Fine and Performing Arts!

Throughout the coming year, you'll enjoy exceptional plays, concerts, and exhibits that promise to provide one of our most exciting seasons to date. With our excellent lineup of events, talented performers and designers, and reasonable ticket prices, we know you'll be delighted with what we have to offer.

If you love the arts, then we invite you to make the Fine and Performing Arts at Golden West College your arts destination for 2023-2024!

Come join us!

YEAR AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER 2023

FALL FESTIVAL

Presented by Ballet Repertory Theatre
September 9 - 10
Mainstage Theater

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH ART SHOW

"Rasquachismo"
September 14 - November 3
Fine Art Gallery

BEAU SOIR

Dr. Dawn Brooks Faculty Recital
September 22
Forum 2

OCTOBER 2023

THE EXORCIST

Directed by Tom Amen
October 6 - 15
Mainstage Theater

GROOVEFEST

Vocal Music/Guitar Concert
Directed by Dr. Dawn Brooks
October 17
Mainstage Theater

NOVEMBER 2023

Agatha Christie's MURDER
ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS
Directed by Martie Ramm
November 10 - 19
Mainstage Theater

HOLIDAY ART SALE

November 28 - 29
Fine Art Gallery

DECEMBER 2023

DONA NOBIS PACEM

GWC Vocal/Choral Music Concert
Dr. Dawn Brooks, Director
December 4
Mainstage Theater

FALL INTO WINTER

GWC Symphonic Band
Dr. Collette Hausey, Conductor
December 5
Mainstage Theater

GWC DANCE DEPARTMENT

STUDIO CONCERT
Leslie Bitong, Director
December 7
Rec Ed 201

THE NUTCRACKER BALLET

Presented by Ballet Repertory Theatre
December 9 - 24
Mainstage Theater

FEBRUARY 2024

BLACK HISTORY MONTH ART SHOW

"Lorenzo Baker"
February 1 - 22
Fine Art Gallery

MARCH 2024

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH ART SHOW

"Against Interpretation"
March 7 - April 4
Fine Art Gallery

PSYCHO BEACH PARTY

Directed by Tom Amen
March 8 - 17
Mainstage Theater

CRAZY RHYTHM!

GWC Chamber Singers & Musical
Theater Students
March 21
Forum 2

GISELLE

Presented by Ballet Repertory Theatre
March 23 - 24
Mainstage Theater

APRIL 2024

STUDENT ART SHOW

April 18 - May 10
Fine Art Gallery

A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC

Directed and staged by Martie Ramm
April 26 - May 5
Mainstage Theater

MAY 2024

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GWC Dance Department
Leslie Bitong, Director
May 11-12
Mainstage Theater

SPRING INTO SUMMER

GWC Symphonic Band
Dr. Collette Hausey, Conductor
May 14
Mainstage Theater

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH ART SHOW

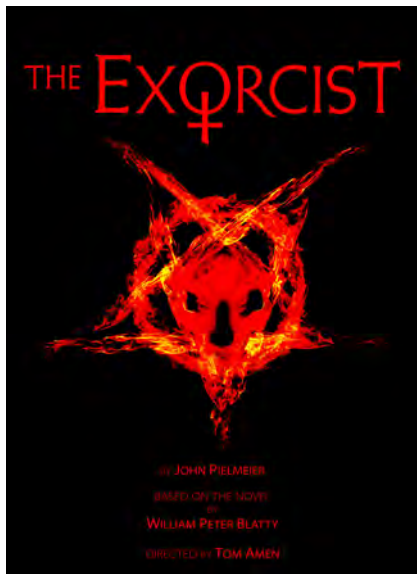
"Quiet Ecstasy: Imaginations and
Illustrations"
May 16 - 24
Fine Art Gallery

MY SPIRIT SANG ALL DAY

GWC Chamber Singers & Applied
Voice Students
Dr. Dawn Brooks, Director
May 16
Mainstage Theater

CINDERELLA

Presented by Ballet Repertory Theatre
May 25 - 26
Mainstage Theater



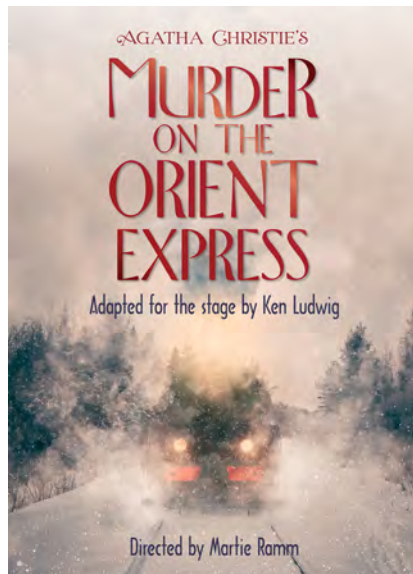
THE EXORCIST

Written by John Pielmeier
Based on the novel by
William Peter Blatty
Directed by Tom Amen
October 6 - 15

More than 50 years after its original publication, William Peter Blatty's *The Exorcist* remains one of the most terrifying, shocking, and controversial novels ever written! Inspired by a true story of demonic possession, this battle between good and evil, between faith and doubt, comes to life in this chilling and provocative new stage adaptation by acclaimed playwright, John Pielmeier! Simply put, *The Exorcist* is one of the scariest tales ever told!

NOTE: This production contains graphic language and situations and is intended for mature audiences. No one under 18 will be admitted.

Visit www.gwctickets.com to purchase tickets. For more information regarding performances or tickets, call the Theater Box Office at (714) 895-8150.



Agatha Christie's MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS

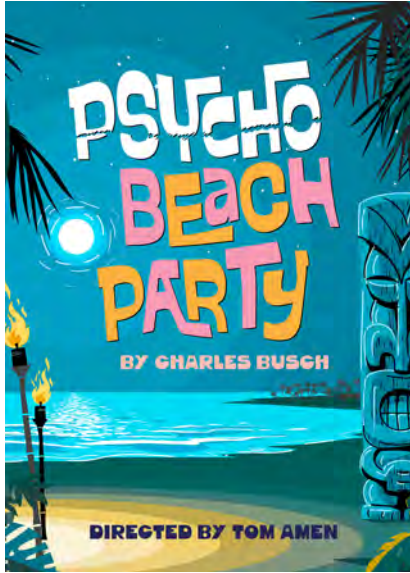
By Ken Ludwig
Directed by Martie Ramm
November 10 - 19

When the estate of the celebrated writer Agatha Christie approached famed playwright Ken Ludwig to adapt Dame Agatha's most enduring novel and put it on stage, he agreed with alacrity - just as quickly as it takes Hercule Poirot to solve the most thrilling case of his entire career.

Just after midnight, a snowdrift stops the famed Orient Express in its tracks. By morning, one passenger is dead. Isolated and with a killer in their midst, the passengers rely on

the celebrated Belgian private detective Hercule Poirot to identify the murderer. Poirot must deploy his 'little grey cells' on the most difficult case of his career and one that will force him to question his deepest beliefs. With a train full of remarkable suspects and an alibi for each one, it's the perfect mystery for detective Hercule Poirot.

NOTE: This production contains adult language and situations and is intended for mature audiences.



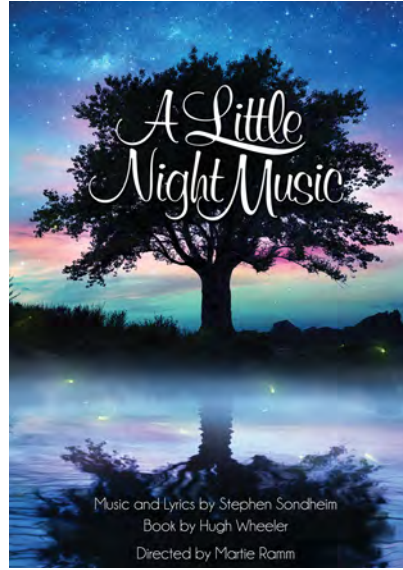
PSYCHO BEACH PARTY

By Charles Busch
Directed by Tom Amen
March 8 - 17

By all appearances, Chicklet is a perky, spunky teenaged girl who wants nothing more out of life than to be accepted as an equal by the Malibu surf crowd of 1962. But Chicklet hides a dark secret – she suffers from a rare multiple personality disorder that triggers her to transform into her various other selves at the mere mention of the color red! From a radio talk-show therapist, to a preening male model, to an angry supermarket checkout girl, to a deviant dominatrix hellbent on conquering the world, Chicklet Forrest is a force to be reckoned with!

A manic mix of 1950's Hitchcockian thriller, cheesy 1960's beach movie, and *Mommie Dearest*, *Psycho Beach Party* is fiendishly funny fun! Catch the wild wacky wave of laughter!

NOTE: This production contains adult language and situations and is intended for mature audiences.



A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim
Book by Hugh Wheeler
Directed and staged by Martie Ramm
April 26 – May 5

Inspired by the 1955 Ingmar Bergman film *Smiles of a Summer Night*, Stephen Sondheim's *A Little Night Music* explores the tangled web of affairs centered around actress, Desirée Armfeldt and the men who love her. Passions are rekindled, jealousy flourishes and suspicion is everywhere. When all agree to join Desirée and her family for a weekend in the country, infinite possibilities of bittersweet humor, new romances and second chances bring endless surprises. Winner of six Tony awards including Best Musical, and featuring a beautiful, lush musical score showcasing Sondheim's haunting *Send in the Clowns*, *A Little Night Music* is a story of love, nostalgia, regret, and desire -- all taking place on a warm summer's night.

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CHORAL / VOCAL & SYMPHONIC BAND **MUSIC** >>>



BEAU SOIR *FACULTY RECITAL*

Faculty recital of classical French music with Dr. Dawn Brooks, vocalist, Dr. Rik Noyce, flute, and Anthony Lopez, piano. Featuring music by Gabriel Fauré, Francis Poulenc, and André Previn.

Friday, September 22 at 7:30pm

Forum 2

Free Admission

GROOVEFEST *VOCAL MUSIC/GUITAR CONCERT*

Flashback concert of 60s, 70s and 80s music with GWC's voice and guitar students and HBHS APA musicians.

**Dr. Dawn Brooks, Donovan Raitt, and
Nicole Kubis, Directors**

Tuesday, October 17 at 7:30pm

Mainstage Theater

DONA NOBIS PACEM *WINTER CHORAL CONCERT*

Concert of World Music with GWC Singers and Dwyer Middle School.

Dr. Dawn Brooks and Neil Reyes, Directors

Monday, December 4 at 7:30pm

Mainstage Theater

FALL INTO WINTER *GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE SYMPHONIC BAND*

Wind band literature with a seasonal flavor.

Dr. Collette Hausey, Conductor

Tuesday, December 5 at 7:30pm

Mainstage Theater

CRAZY RHYTHM!

1930s and 40s music from stage and screen with GWC Chamber Singers and Musical Theater Students.

Thursday, March 21 at 7:30pm

Forum 2

Free Admission

SPRING INTO SUMMER *GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE SYMPHONIC BAND*

New and familiar wind band music to start the summer with fun!

Dr. Collette Hausey, Conductor

Tuesday, May 14 at 7:30 pm

Mainstage Theater

MY SPIRIT SANG ALL DAY *SPRING CHORAL CONCERT*

A celebration of music and poetry featuring the GWC Chamber Singers and Applied Voice students.

Dr. Dawn Brooks, Director

Thursday, May 16 at 7:30pm

Mainstage Theater

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visit www.GWCTheater.com or call the Theater Box
Office at (714) 895-8150.



FALL FESTIVAL

Presented by Ballet Repertory Theatre
Christopher Sellars, Artistic Director
September 9 at 7:00 PM
September 10 at 2:00 PM

Performance will feature divertissement dances. It will be highlighted by Sleeping Beauty, Act III - featuring Guest Artist Kathryn Morgan, and two other original company works. The performance will also feature students from Dance Academy of Southern California in a jazz workshop on Saturday evening, and a ballet workshop on Sunday afternoon.

*\$30.00 General Admission
\$25.00 for Children under 12, ASB/
GWC Students and Seniors*



STUDIO CONCERT

Leslie Bitong, Artistic Director
December 8 at 7:30pm
Rec Ed 201

Witness the soaring artistic voice of our ballet, modern, jazz and hip hop students and choreographers in this lively concert.

Free Admission



THE NUTCRACKER BALLE

Presented by
Ballet Repertory Theatre
Christopher Sellars,
Artistic Director
December 9 - 24
Mainstage Theater

Enjoy this cherished tradition of bringing beloved holiday music to life with nearly 300 performers in dazzling costumes. Travel through a magical world of life-size dolls, toy soldiers, and

delicate snowflakes to the fabulous Land of Sweets, home of the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier. Exuberant French, Spanish, Arabian, Russian, and Chinese dances await you. Orange County's longest-running Nutcracker is the ultimate feel-good family tradition.

\$30.00 General Admission, \$25.00 for Children under 12, ASB/GWC Students and Seniors



GISELLE

Presented by Ballet Repertory Theatre
Christopher Sellars, Artistic Director
March 23 @ 7pm
March 24 @ 2pm
Mainstage Theater

Giselle is frequently called "The Masterpiece of Romantic Ballet". Giselle is a tragic love story with a vibrant and energetic first act which is contrasted by the beauty and intensity of the second act featuring the well-known dance of the Wilis. This ballet has been performed by major ballet companies all over the world since its premiere in 1842. Ballet Repertory Theatre first performed the ballet in 1979, continuing through 1991. We are excited to bring this beautiful full-length ballet back to the stage with Guest Artist, Kathryn Morgan performing the title role.

\$30.00 General Admission; \$25.00 for Children under 12, ASB/GWC Students & Seniors



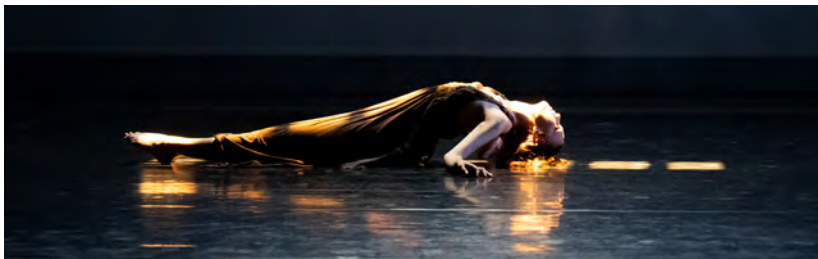
CINDERELLA

Presented by Ballet Repertory Theatre
Christopher Sellars, Artistic Director
May 25 @ 7pm
May 26 @ 2pm
Mainstage Theater

Rediscover the magic and beauty of this classic fairy tale in its full-length version, set to Sergei Prokofiev's magnificent musical score, with stunning costumes and enchanting props. A classical gem, Cinderella is the perfect introduction for anyone who is new to ballet. Featuring all the elements of the storybook favorite, Ballet Repertory Theatre's lively rendition of this timeless tale of love blends humor with elegance and is sure to delight audiences of all ages.

\$30.00 General Admission

\$25.00 for Children under 12, ASB/GWC Students and Seniors

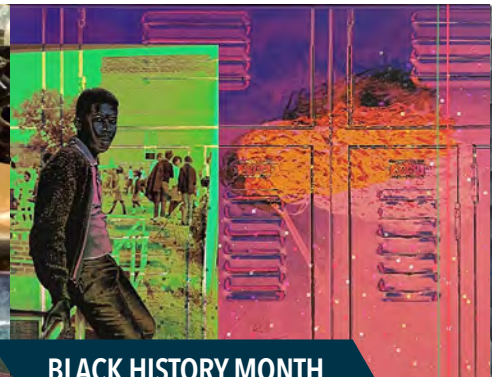
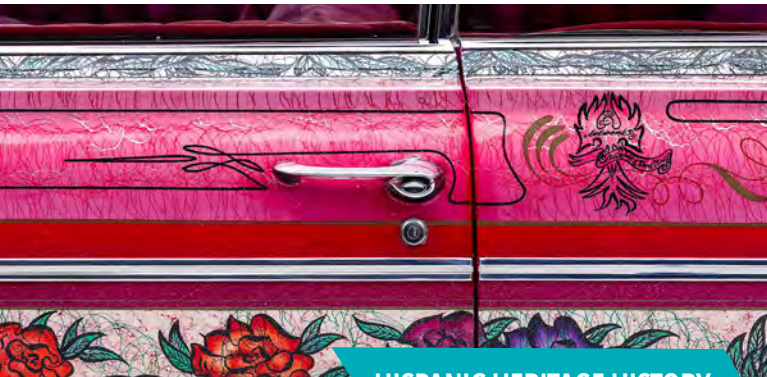


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The Golden West College Dance department brings together the talents of faculty and students in a concert that promises to be wildly entertaining. Celebrate the joys of modern, jazz, and musical theater dance in American culture performed by dynamic Golden West College dancers and guest artists.

Leslie Bitong,
Artistic Director
May 11 at 7:30 pm
May 12 at 2:00 pm
Mainstage Theater





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HISPANIC HERITAGE HISTORY MONTH ART SHOW

"RASQUACHISMO: A CRITICAL HISTORY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S LOWRIDER CULTURE"

This interdisciplinary exhibition celebrates the aesthetics and transformative qualities of lowriders. Featuring works from contemporary Chicana artists, Rasquachismo highlights the role of lowriders as "cultural vehicles" and, ultimately, icons of Americana.

September 14 - November 3
Fine Art Gallery
Free Admission

ANNUAL HOLIDAY ART SALE

Each year, our Fine Art students sell hand-crafted artwork in time for holiday gift-giving. This is a wonderful opportunity to see and purchase original ceramics, drawings, paintings, sculptures, photographs, and prints! A portion of the proceeds goes to the Guest Artist Lecture Fund.

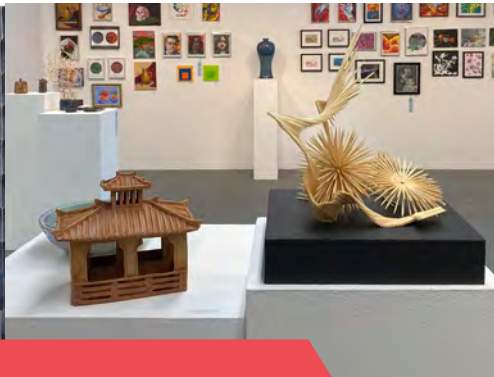
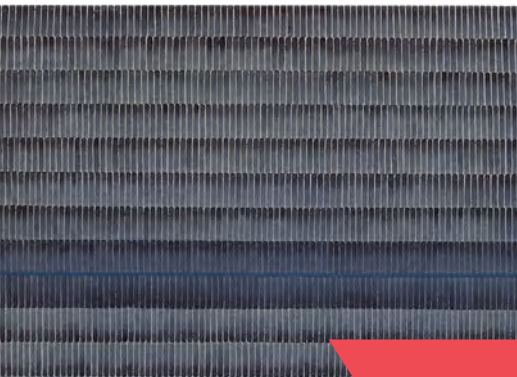
November 28 - 29
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Fine Art Gallery
Free Admission

BLACK HISTORY MONTH ART SHOW

"LORENZO BAKER"

Lorenzo Baker is an artist living and working in Los Angeles, California. His art practice explores the formal ways in which language and image construct our understanding of history and contemporary culture.

February 1 -22
Fine Art Gallery
Free Admission



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH ART SHOW

"AGAINST INTERPRETATION"

Inspired by Susan Sontag's 1966 essay "Against Interpretation," this exhibition features non-figurative works by several notable female painters. In highlighting the practices of these exceptional artists, Against Interpretation violates conceptions of minimalism and abstraction as inherently masculine.

March 7 - April 4 - Fine Art Gallery

Free Admission

STUDENT ART SHOW

This juried exhibition provides Fine Art students with the opportunity to display their work in a professional gallery. The community is invited to see some of the best artwork created in our studio art classes.

April 18 - May 10 - 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Fine Art Gallery

Free Admission

ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

"QUIET ECSTASY: IMAGINATIONS AND ILLUSTRATIONS"

Organized by guest curator Thuy N. D. Tran, "Quiet Ecstasy: Imaginations and Illustrations" highlights next generation West Coast illustrators of API descent.

May 16 - 24 - Fine Art Gallery

Free Admission



ART GALLERY



FINE ART GALLERY EXHIBITIONS

Throughout the year, the Fine Art Gallery offers a diverse range of exhibitions by professional artists that provide GWC students, faculty, and staff as well as the community-at-large exposure to a wide variety of artistic practices.

GUEST ARTIST LECTURES

At least once a semester, the Fine Art department invites professional, fine and/or commercial artists and art historians to speak with our students and the community about their artwork and career.

GALLERY HOURS

Tuesday-Saturday from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Gallery days and times are subject to change. Please call to ensure gallery is open: 714-895-8772 or 714-895-8316.

CONTACT US

Guided tours and special group visits can be arranged in advance: (714) 895-8316 or gwcartgallery@gwc.cccd.edu

For additional information about our Fine Art Gallery, please access our website: www.goldenwestcollege.edu/art-gallery.

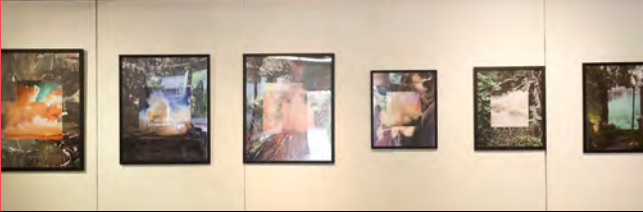
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FINE ART GALLERY VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Volunteers are needed in the Fine Art Gallery to greet patrons and answer questions. Contact the Arts & Letters division office at 714-895-8772 for more information.



ORDERING INFORMATION

ONLINE at www.gwctickets.com

IN PERSON The box office is open Tuesday and Thursday from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
The box office is located at the front entrance of the Mainstage Theater on the GWC campus.

BY PHONE Charge your ticket orders by calling (714) 895-8150 during box office hours Tuesday and Thursday from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

GROUP SALES We love GROUPS! Enjoy the thrill of live performance in the company of family, friends or colleagues! Groups of 10 or more enjoy discounts on every ticket. Contact the Box Office at (714) 895-8150.

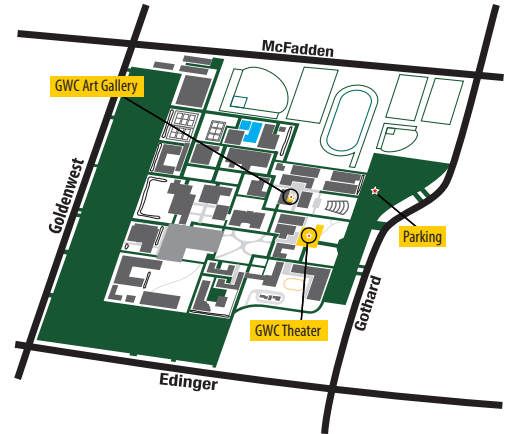
HOW TO GET HERE

15751 Gothard Street, Huntington Beach

Fwy 405 North, exit at Beach Blvd off-ramp, use exit designated "Huntington Beach". From Beach Blvd, turn right onto Center Avenue. The Mainstage Theater and Fine Art Gallery will be straight ahead.

Fwy 405 South, exit at Beach Blvd off-ramp. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Center Avenue. The Mainstage Theater and Fine Art Gallery will be straight ahead.

Fwy 22 East/West, exit Beach Blvd. Travel south, turning right onto Center Ave. The Mainstage Theater and Fine Art Gallery will be straight ahead.



FRIENDS OF THE ARTS

As a Friend of the Arts at Golden West College, you will enjoy many special benefits including complimentary refreshments at all Theater department plays, invitations to opening night festivities for various Fine & Performing Arts events, guest lectures and demonstrations, and invitations to backstage and costume shop tours.

For just \$50, you can join a Friends group, or for \$200, you can become a member of all five! Your annual donation to support the arts at GWC is tax-deductible and allows us to continue bringing the magic of the Fine and Performing Arts to our community. We appreciate your generosity in supporting a vibrant and dynamic arts program at GWC!

Please consider supporting the arts at GWC by joining one or more of the following:

- Friends of Theater
- Friends of Dance
- Friends of Choral Music
- Friends of the Fine Art Gallery
- Friends of Instrumental Music

Call (714) 895-8772 (Arts and Letters division) or (714) 895-8316 (GWC Foundation) to find out more about becoming a Friend of the Arts at GWC!



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2023-24 THEATER SEASON PACKAGE

General \$60 – an \$11 savings over single ticket prices. This package includes our season of four Mainstage productions. Students & Seniors (age 60) \$56 – a \$7 savings over single ticket prices.

Order your tickets today!

PURCHASING TICKETS

Tickets for performances may be purchased online at www.gwctickets.com. For more information regarding performances or tickets, call the Theater Box Office: (714) 895-8150.

REFUNDS & EXCHANGES

There are no refunds on ticket purchases. Prior to the performance date, tickets may be exchanged for the same production only, pending availability. A \$3 transaction fee will be charged for all ticket exchanges.

PERSONAL LISTENING DEVICES

Personal listening devices are available to our Theater patrons. Please see the House Manager to obtain a device.



"TAKE A SEAT" CAMPAIGN: TAKE A SEAT – LEAVE A LEGACY

Show your support for the Golden West College Theater Arts Department and honor someone special by sponsoring a new theater seat in their name. Seat naming is a wonderful gift for theater and performing arts lovers, and a lasting tribute to a family member or loved one. For only \$300 names will be engraved on a plaque affixed to one of the 228 seats in GWC's Mainstage Theater. Seats are limited...get yours before it's too late!

As a seat donor, you will receive:

- Your name or the name of a loved one engraved on a plaque that will be permanently affixed to the theater seat in the Mainstage Theater (engraving is limited to two lines, 50 characters total, including spaces).
- A tax-deductible donation to the Golden West College Foundation, to the extent allowed by law.

**Please note: Seat name recognition does not guarantee that you will be seated in that particular seat when you purchase a ticket to a performance.*

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YOUNG CHILDREN AND BABIES

Regardless of age, everyone must have a ticket, sit in a seat, and be able to sit quietly throughout the entire performance. We do not permit children under the age of five to attend Golden West College performances. No babes in arms or animals allowed. Service animals are welcome.

FINE & PERFORMING ARTS VENUES

All Fine and Performing Arts venues are located at 15751 Gothard Street on the east side of the Golden West College campus at the corner of Gothard Street and Center Avenue.

Tickets may be purchased online at
www.gwctickets.com

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2023-2024 FINE & PERFORMING ARTS AT GWC



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