

New Science Building Gets Go-Ahead from CSU Trustees

Architecturally Dramatic Project to Bring Science, Math Faculty Together Under One Roof for First Time

A nearly 90,000 square foot science building set for completion in January 2009 will provide a modern new home for interdisciplinary scholarship on campus, as well as room for hundreds of new students to pursue science and math studies at Cal State Northridge.

The project received an important go-ahead on February 1, when the CSU's Board of Trustees approved schematics for the state-of-the-art structure, whose exterior will make a "dramatic architectural statement" in the university's southeast sector, adding to a surge of new construction and vitality in that area.

Construction on the four-story project, to include relocation of the existing stellar observatory, is set to start in January 2007. The current science buildings were erected in the late 1950s.

Funded through the Proposition 55 state capital construction measure approved by voters in 2004, the \$46 million-plus building will be located on East University Drive/Lindley Avenue, south of the Botanic Garden. The building's main entry will open up to East University Drive and Sierra



The modern new science building planned for CSUN's southeast sector will feature 33 laboratories and 13 "smart" lecture rooms to accommodate more students.

Walk, a major campus pedestrian promenade.

College of Science and Mathematics Dean Jerry Stinner said the building's innovative design will promote interdisciplinary research between CSUN biology and math faculty, who for the first time will be housed under the same roof.

"We hear a lot today about the importance of interdisciplinary research and that the real advances are occurring at the margins," said Dean Stinner. "The increased interaction between the biology and math faculty will, I predict, result in increased collaborations in both teaching and scholarship." The math faculty, he noted, has for

many years not been physically present in the science buildings.

Interdisciplinary collaboration will be fostered not only through the physical location of work areas, but by providing common gathering areas for students and faculty. "We recognize that, increasingly, science and mathematics are a communal affair," Stinner said.

The structure's 13 "smart" lecture rooms—seating a total of 770 science and math students at a time in 11,580 square feet of space—will help fill a critical need for more room.

"These relatively large classrooms are absolutely necessary to our growth," said Dean Stinner. The College of Science and Mathematics' rapidly growing student population—currently 2,872 full time equivalent students—is up more than 20 percent from the 2000–01 academic year enrollment.

For the two larger lecture rooms, accommodating 150 and 120 students, tiered seating has been planned. Dubbed "smart" because of their technological advantages, all the rooms provide for Internet hookup and multimedia presentations.

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Northridge Second in State's Teacher Candidate Enrollment

Amid Warnings about Looming Teacher Shortage, CSUN Offers Many Pathways to a Credential

At a time when media headlines, think tanks and school districts are warning that California will be short roughly 100,000 teachers within the next 10 years, Cal State Northridge has been ranked second highest in the state in its enrollment of teaching candidates.

In its December 2005 report to the state Legislature, the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing identified Cal State Northridge as a national leader in contributing new lifeblood to the ranks of teachers.

Through its programs, CSUN is working to ease the growing gap caused by attrition, an expanding student population, fewer college students entering teacher preparation programs and reduced class sizes.

Among California's 88 public and private institutions with programs preparing students for teaching careers, CSUN placed just behind National University in its 2003–04 teacher preparation enrollment.

Of the 67,595 students enrolled statewide for 2003–04, CSUN produced 4,354 who completed one or more

courses in a program including supervised student teaching or internship teaching.

"I am pleased there are so many

students who want to study with us," said Philip Rusche, dean of the Michael D. Eisner College of Education. "I think

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- Approximate number of teachers in state over 50 and likely to retire within ten years: 97,000
- Approximate number of state's teachers: 306,000



Dean Philip Rusche, Michael D. Eisner College of Education



Community Connection

By Judy Nutter, Director of Community Relations

It's income tax time again and I want to remind you that Cal State Northridge is offering the VITA (The Wayne and Roberta Colmer Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program again this year. Actually, the program has been alive and well on the CSUN campus for 35 years.

The VITA program began in 1966 with a Congressional appropriation. Cal State Northridge was the first university to institute the program in 1971. Since then, CSUN has assisted colleges across the nation

in establishing their own VITA programs.

Cal State Northridge now maintains the largest and most successful VITA program in the United States. It partners with a number of community organizations to bring this service to the public, organizations such as Broad Spectrum Community Development Corporation, Prudential Financial, Valley Economic Development Corporation and the Internal Revenue Service.

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National Educator Award Goes to Northridge Alumnus

State Schools Chief Calls Mathew McClenahan an 'Innovative, Inspiring Teacher'

Mathematics and social studies teacher Mathew McClenahan, a product of Cal State Northridge's Michael D. Eisner College of Education, recently was awarded the prestigious Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award.

During a surprise assembly at the school where he teaches—High Tech High School, on the Birmingham High School campus in the Los Angeles Unified School District—McClenahan received the award from Jack O'Connell, the state superintendent of public instruction.

"Mr. McClenahan is an innovative, inspiring teacher who brings to the classroom the kinds of advances in technology that keep his students energized and engaged," O'Connell said. "His teaching style is one of dedication, motivation, and expectation."



Mathew McClenahan

The Milken awards, established in 1985 and now one of the country's largest teacher recognition programs, annually honor up to 100 teachers, principals and specialists throughout

the U.S. Teachers are judged on exceptional talent evidenced by instructional practices, on outstanding accomplishments and potential for professional and policy leadership, and on their ability to motivate students with their "engaging and inspiring presence."

In one example of McClenahan's instructional innovations, he used a production of Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* as a way to teach math. Working with an English teacher who was producing the play at High Tech High, McClenahan helped his students use math principles to design a set for the production.

Another McClenahan idea was Museum Night, which he organized for his tenth grade world history classes. His students researched and created museum exhibits on the culture, technology and history of ancient

Rome. Parents, faculty and community members then were welcomed to tour the exhibits as they would an actual museum, complete with a gift shop.

When UC Santa Barbara approached High Tech High about setting up a summer satellite program for students interested in taking college classes for credit, McClenahan promptly reconfigured the school's technology infrastructure and brought the UCSB program online. He then personally took charge of the program's admissions process.

McClenahan and another local Milken award winner, James Orihuella of Cecil B. DeMille Middle School in Long Beach, each received a \$25,000 cash prize. Both will travel to Washington D.C., all expenses paid, to participate in the annual Milken National Education Conference in May. ■

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When added to the existing lecture rooms available in the current Science 1 building (Live Oak Hall), which will remain operational to serve the college's instructional and research needs, students and faculty will have the use of nearly 335,000 square feet of space devoted to science and math learning.

An Academic Affairs planning team chaired by Associate Vice President for Academic Resources Spero Bowman worked with the college and the architects—Cannon Design—to contribute recommendations, guidance and ideas for the building.

"We are very pleased with the design of the new building," said the associate vice president. "Its exterior look will make a dramatic architectural statement."

Academic buildings always are a design challenge, Bowman added. "New buildings are never big enough, nor equipped well enough to meet the requirements of the program or the occupants," he said, because funds seldom stretch far enough to cover all wish lists.

The architects' "creative and cost-effective" approach, he said, resulted in a design that meets the specialized needs issuing from advances in science

and from the demanding modern curricula critical to high student learning standards.

"Interestingly, the existing buildings were built about the time the Soviet Union launched Sputnik, and years before the laser was invented," said Bowman, noting that the new science facility will be light years ahead of the old.

Features will include, for example, a genetic counseling unit, a spacious biology stockroom, nine instructional wet labs, 18 research wet labs and laboratories for DNA, immunology, electron microscopy and DNA sequencing. Faculty offices, in the

structure's northeast corner, will have views of the Botanic Garden.

Space also will be provided for the college's herbarium/insect and vertebrate collections, and research space has been designed for the Center for Cancer & Developmental Biology. A small research laboratory—called the Geology Clean Lab—has been designated for use by the Geology Department.

The use of water-conserving fixtures, natural daylight in labs and offices, reflective roof materials, drought-tolerant landscaping and shade trees will contribute to a high sustainability quotient for the building. ■

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this reflects well on the confidence that aspiring teachers have in us. We're proud of the teachers who graduate from CSUN and of the administrators and counselors we graduate who enable teachers to be effective."

Rusche pointed out that CSUN offers students a variety of pathways to a teaching credential, including both post baccalaureate and baccalaureate opportunities. At the baccalaureate level, CSUN offers multiple and single subject specialties, and at the post baccalaureate level, there is the traditional fifth-year program, a one-year Accelerated Collaborative Teacher

Preparation program, and a variety of internship programs.

The credentialing commission also examined the number of multiple subject, single subject and special education teaching and internship credentials issued at California state universities between July 2003 and July 2004.

Cal State Northridge prepared 1,901 such credential holders, second only to CSU Dominguez Hills among public universities in that achievement arena. It ranked fourth among all institutions, public and private included.

California's Senate Education Committee on January 25 convened

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a group of education stakeholders to get ideas on how to confront the coming teacher shortage, a crisis exacerbated by the near-term retirement of about a third of the state's teachers older than 50. Among them:

- Increasing funding to the CSU and UC systems to help boost the number of teacher candidates.
- Easing qualified out-of-state teachers' path to a California credential.
- Provision of housing subsidies, mortgage deferments or tax credits for those teachers serving on campuses typically avoided by experienced teachers. ■

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This year, approximately 260 CSUN students have taken the intensive training program that prepares them to work with most of the basic problems confronted by taxpayers. The students' training sessions provide a thorough background in general tax law and in tax return preparation. VITA supervisors

take a more advanced course, which includes an update on new tax laws and instruction on center operations.

In addition, IRS agents serve as advisors at some VITA centers and review tax forms before they are returned to the clients.

CSUN students expect to serve about 1,000 people this year at 19 sites, including the College of Business

and Economics, Room 2-111, on the CSUN campus.

Eligibility for this free program is limited to those with a maximum gross income of \$50,000. Special services are provided for senior citizens, non-English speaking and disabled individuals. Services are provided on a first-come, first-served basis. I would encourage anyone who is eligible to

take advantage of this service.

For exact locations of The Wayne and Roberta Colmer Volunteer Income Tax Assistance sites and for dates and times of operation, call (818) 677-4519 or visit the Web site at www.csun.edu/vita.

Until next time... ■

How Does the Garden Grow? With Sun, Soil, and Students

CSUN/Compton College Project Cultivates Scholars, Hope...and Some First-Rate Cucumbers

The unadorned ground outside his office window at Compton College was more than August Hoffman could resist. His hands itched to get at the soil and make something grow in it.

A part-time professor of developmental psychology at Cal State Northridge, Hoffman is a tenured professor at Compton. He also is a dirt-under-the-nails, seeds-in-the-back-pocket gardener's gardener.

When he arrived at Compton College in 2000, he looked around and realized the place could use a bit of color. Hoffman went out, purchased plants and soon had flower beds making a show for passersby.

"Who is this crazy guy with the shovel and seedlings?" the students began to ask. They watched, asked questions, got interested and got involved. Determined to make a positive impact, Hoffman helped his psychology students begin transforming a plot near the main entrance of the college into a garden.

Five years later, a two-acre miracle is under student cultivation, bearing seasonal crops of lettuce, collards, onions, Swiss chard, artichokes, egg plant, cucumbers, tomatoes, mint, strawberries, corn, pumpkins, watermelon, peppers, herbs and flowers. About 60 fruit trees cover the area.

"As a psychology professor," Hoffman said, "I believe one of the best ways teachers can teach is by applying theory to action." His hypothesis was that gardening would improve Compton students' self-esteem. The college's transition rate into the CSU system was a "dismal" 6 percent when Hoffman began there. Currently facing an accreditation crisis, Compton is working to maintain its autonomy as an educational institution.

"We have engaged in empirical



Students work in Compton College garden, a CSUN/Compton College project initiated by CSUN developmental psychology professor August Hoffman, seen in foreground with fellow gardener Julie Wallach, a CSUN alum.

research during this project," Hoffman said, "and have found that Compton students who garden show increases in their grade point averages. In some cases, their academic averages improved from a C average in psychology to a B+ or an A-."

Hoffman saw a way to provide CSUN students with an rich educational experience as well.

After the project's first year, he established a mentoring program in which CSUN students work with the Compton gardener/scholars, earning independent credits in his psychology and research methodology courses.

It is no ivory tower exercise. At 7 a.m. on Saturdays during each semester, about 15 Northridge undergraduates make the 41-mile trek south

on the 405 to pull weeds, sprinkle water, rake leaves and plant flowers, developing with about as many Compton mentees the kind of shoulder-to-shoulder relationships that are deepened by warm sun and the smell of good soil.

"It's the process of working together that creates this positive relationship, one that helps the Compton students make the transition to the CSU," said Hoffman. The CSUN students provide direction, supervision and inspiration for their Compton gardening partners, about five of whom so far have transitioned to CSUN. Others have gone on to CSU Dominguez Hills or Long Beach State, and some have entered the UC system.

"Being in the garden together

creates an informal link and camaraderie," said former Hoffman student Julie Wallach, now a CSUN alumna but still a devoted garden project volunteer. "It breaks down the academic intimidation that says: 'These people go to a university and I don't.' It breaks down racial barriers. It's magical. And this happens every semester."

With Hoffman and Wallach regularly emptying their pockets to buy gardening materials, more funding was needed. Wallach applied for and won a \$2,000 grant from CSUN's Community Service-Learning unit, and the first CSUN/Compton College gardening/psychology service-learning program was set up in spring 2004. "We very gratefully and prudently spend the money on plants and flowers," Wallach said, "and the garden has been growing in more ways than one."

From their garden experience, for example, the CSUN and Compton students develop research projects with social/psychological themes. That research is submitted to undergraduate research conferences, Hoffman said, and the students work together to present their research at conference venues such as UCLA, UC Irvine, UC Riverside and Stanford University.

Another offshoot of the project is a tasty product called "From the Hood Vinaigrette Dressing," made with herbs grown in the garden. "It can be bought now on campus," said Hoffman. "We make it in the cafeteria." He and his students are searching for a distributor.

Vegetables grown in the garden are given to his students, who earn every carrot during hours of hoeing and weeding. "It's an honor to work in the gardening program," said Hoffman, twice named Outstanding Teacher of the Year at Compton. "It's something in which the students and community take pride." ■

CSUN Alums Perez and Phelps Join Villaraigosa Team

Former UTLA and VICA Execs to Handle Civil Service, Business and Job Development Issues

Cal State Northridge alumni John Perez, former president of United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA), and former Valley Industry and Commerce Association (VICA) executive David Phelps are two recent additions to the administration of Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa.

A 1968 *cum laude* history/geography graduate of CSUN, then San Fernando Valley State College, Perez was appointed by the mayor to the Los Angeles City Board of Civil Service Commissioners and confirmed by the Los Angeles City Council in December 2005.

Perez has served on UTLA's Board of Directors almost continuously since 1978, and completed a three-year term as UTLA president. A social studies teacher at Roosevelt High School for 21 years, he received his teaching credential from Cal State Northridge in 1969.

"I am very proud that CSUN gave me the educational foundation to serve our community as a teacher and



John Perez

union leader for 36 years," said Perez, who said he is equally proud of his two new commission appointments.

As vice president of both the California Federation of Teachers AFL-CIO and the California Labor Federation AFL-CIO, Perez has been



David Phelps

an active advocate for California teachers.

David Phelps, a 2000 CSUN graduate in political science, recently joined the mayor's business team in charge of economic development issues for the West Valley, including CSUN.

Phelps previously was VICA's director of government relations.

Currently pursuing his master's degree in public administration at CSUN's College of Extended Learning, Phelps was active in campus affairs during his undergraduate years, serving as an Associated Students vice president in the 1999-2000 academic year.

As a member of the mayor's team, Phelps works with local businesses on real estate development projects. He also focuses on the expansion of employment opportunities and on taxation policy. Mayor Villaraigosa's West Valley economic priorities include Warner Center and the industrial sector in Chatsworth, Phelps said.

"Warner Center represents the future of new urban (mixed-use) development along transportation corridors like the Orange Line," he said. "Supporting the industrial infrastructure and preserving land in communities like Chatsworth is also key to creating job opportunities in manufacturing." ■

Calendar

The A.S. Ticket Office in the University Student Union sells tickets to many events on campus, except for some held by outside groups. The Ticket Office is open from 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Mon.–Fri. For prices not given, call (818) 677-2488. To park on campus for performances, athletic events, lectures and other activities, guests must purchase a \$4 parking permit.

Alumni Events

For info or to RSVP,
www.csunumni.com unless
otherwise noted.

Psychology Alumni Mixer

Psychology alumni wine tasting.
Wed., March 1, 6 p.m.
Napa in the Valley,
8876 Corbin Ave., Northridge
\$10 members, \$15 non-members
RSVP: marcy.newman@alumni.csun.edu

Recreation Alumni Mixer

Networking for recreation alumni.
Thu., March 16, 7 p.m.
Doubletree Hotel Ontario Airport,
Big Bear Room
222 North Vineyard Ave.
RSVP: Monica.Resendez@lacity.org
Free

Sacramento Alumni Reception

Mixer for CSUN and other CSU
alumni in Sacramento area.
Mon., March 20, 5:30 p.m.
Sacramento Convention Center,
1400 J St., rm. 307
RSVP: cheryl.mcmillan@csun.edu
or (818) 677-4938
Free

Physical Therapy Open House

Tours, student demonstrations at
Physical Therapy Department labs.
Thu., March 23, 4–7 p.m.
Check-in: Jacaranda Hall (formerly
Engineering Bldg.), rm. 1625
RSVP: pt@csun.edu, by March 16

Whitsett Graduate Seminar

New History Alumni Chapter hosts
California history seminar.
Fri., March 24, time TBA
Sierra Tower, Whitsett Room
For more info: Josh Sides,
jsides@csun.edu

Physical Therapy Education

One-day course on management of
individuals with Parkinson's Disease.
Sat., March 25, 8:30 a.m.
Physical Therapy Dept. labs
Sign-up: [\\$75](http://www.csunumni.com/pt) Alumni Assoc. members,
\$105 non-members

Day at the Races

CSUN alumni and families enjoy
day at Santa Anita.
Sat., March 25, 12:30 p.m. post time
Santa Anita Race Track
\$25, special prices for children
under 17

Etiwanda Avenue Road Closure

In response to a community
request to reduce campus
traffic through the residential
neighborhood north of Halsted
Street, Etiwanda Avenue has
been closed to through traffic at
Halsted. The road closure is
permanent. Drivers who wish to
access the campus from
Reseda Boulevard may use
Plummer, Vincennes, Prairie or
Nordhoff Streets. Questions?
Call CSUN Facilities Planning
at (818) 677-2561.

Art and Exhibits

For gallery info, call (818) 677-2156.
Main gallery hours: Mon. through Sat.
12–4 p.m. Admission is free unless
specified. For library exhibits, call
(818) 677-2285.

Women's Art of Anatolia

Multimedia presentation features
more than 100 items from collections
in Los Angeles and Turkey.
Runs through March 30
Main Art Gallery

Florence Ferman Collection

Acclaimed artist's ceramic pottery,
sculpture, paintings, etchings, jewelry,
wood blocks and more.
Runs through March 25
C.K. and Teresa Tseng Gallery,
Oviatt Library, West Wing, second
floor

Telling Our Stories Exhibit

Photos and vignettes of Japanese
Americans in San Fernando Valley,
1910 to 1950s, collected by CSUN
students.
Edith Chen of CSUN Asian American
Studies Department and Nancy
Takayama of San Fernando Valley
Japanese American Community
Center, project directors.
Runs through mid-April,
Wed.–Sun., 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
San Fernando Museum of Art and
History
519 S. Brand Blvd., San Fernando
Free

Bianchi Planetarium

For ticket info, (818) 677-2488 or visit
www.csun.edu/physics/planetarium.
Telescope viewing will follow the
second show.

"Winter Sky Show" and
"The Voyager Encounters"
Fri., March 3, 7 p.m.

"Winter Sky Show" and "The
Worlds of the Outer Solar System"
Fri., March 10, 7 p.m.

"Winter Sky Show" and "The
Search for Life in the Universe"
Fri., March 17, 7 p.m.

"Spring Sky Show" and "The
Latest from NASA's Spitzer Space
Telescope: From Planets to
Deep Space"
Fri., March 24, 7 p.m.

Athletics (home games):

Men's Baseball

3/17 Loyola Marymount 2 p.m.
3/18 Loyola Marymount 1 p.m.
3/20 Dartmouth 2 p.m.

Men's Basketball

3/2 Cal Poly 7:05 p.m.
3/4 UCSB 4:05 p.m.

Softball

3/13 Quinnipiac 1 p.m.
3/13 Quinnipiac 3 p.m.
3/25 UCLA 1 p.m.

Women's Tennis

3/12 San Francisco 11 a.m.
3/14 Gonzaga 2 p.m.
3/19 Wichita State 11 a.m.
3/20 Illinois-Chicago 2 p.m.

Track & Field

3/4 All comers 8:30 a.m.
3/15 Northridge Relays 11 a.m.
3/16 Northridge Relays 9 a.m.
3/17 Northridge Relays 9 a.m.
3/18 Northridge Relays 9 a.m.

Men's Volleyball

3/3 Long Beach State 7 p.m.
3/4 UC San Diego 7:30 p.m.
3/7 Quincy 7 p.m.

Cinematheque

Screenings are free and take place
in the Alan and Elaine Armer Theater,
on the first floor of Manzanita Hall
at the southwest corner of campus.
For more info, call (818) 677-3192 or
see www.cinematheque.csun.edu/html/events.html.

"The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari"

Directed by Robert Wiene.
Mon., Feb. 27, 2 p.m.

"Reservoir Dogs"

Directed by Quentin Tarantino.
Tue., Feb. 28, 7 p.m.

"El Mariachi"

Directed by Robert Rodriguez.
Wed., March 1, 7 p.m.

"Once Upon a Time in the West"

Directed by Sergio Leone.
Thu., March 2, 7 p.m.

"Failure to Launch"

Sneak preview.
Starring Sarah Jessica Parker,
Matthew McConaughey.
First come, first seated.
Reserved seating for Cinematheque
members only.
No admittance after film begins.
Fri., March 3, 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

"Casablanca"

Directed by Michael Curtiz.
Mon., March 6, 2 p.m.

"The Driver"

Directed by Walter Hill.
Wed., March 8, 7 p.m.

"The Clockmaker"

Directed by Bertrand Tavernier.
Thu., March 9, 7 p.m.

"Grand Illusion"

Directed by Jean Renoir.
Mon., March 13, 2 p.m.

"Chimes at Midnight"

Directed by Orson Welles.
Thu., March 16, 7 p.m.

"Breathless"

Directed by Jean-Luc Godard.
Mon., March 20, 2 p.m.

"Good Morning, Babylon"

Directed by the Taviani brothers.
Thu., March 23, 7 p.m.

Lectures

Holocaust Lecture

Author Lawrence Baron, professor
of modern Jewish history at San
Diego State, speaks on "Serious
Humor: Holocaust Comedy Films."
Wed., March 15, 4 p.m.
University Student Union,
Lake View Terrace Room
For more info, (818) 677-3007 or
www.csun.edu/jewish.studies

CSUN-al Gardening

"Heirloom Tomatoes" lecture by
expert Scott Daigre.
Sat., March 18, 9 a.m.
Botanic Garden
RSVP:
www.csun.edu/botanicgarden/
or call (818) 677-3496
Free

On Civil Rights Ideology

Willamette University history
professor Ellen Eisenberg speaks
on "The Limits of Civil Rights
Ideology: California Jews and
Japanese Internment."
Tue., March 21, 7 p.m.
Sierra Hall, Whitsett Room
For more info, (818) 677-3007 or
www.csun.edu/jewish.studies

Music

Admission to all music events (unless
otherwise specified): \$10 general, \$7
faculty, staff and seniors, \$5 students.

Faculty Composers' Recital

Works by Daniel Hosken, Daniel
Kessner, Liviu Marinescu, William
Toutant and Elizabeth Sellers.
Fri., March 3, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Alumni Recital Series

Wendy Mazon, clarinet soloist.
Sat., March 4, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Voice Recital

Diane Ketchie, soprano, pianist,
and William Vendice, pianist.
Sun., March 5, 3 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Rose Augustine Guitar Residency

Hubert Käppel, classical guitarist.
Fri., March 10, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall
\$10–\$20

Wind Ensemble

Music of Scott Joplin, Camille
Saint-Saëns and others.
Lawrence Stoffel, conductor.
Wed., March 15, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

Rose Augustine Guitar Residency

Oscar Ghiglia, classical guitarist.
Fri., March 17, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall
\$10–\$20

Symphony Orchestra

Cameron O'Connor, guitarist.
Yvonne Fidler, soprano.
Sat., March 18, 8 p.m.
Alex Theatre, 216 N. Brand Blvd.,
Glendale

Organ Concert

Timothy Howard, organ soloist.
Mon., March 20, 8 p.m.
Nordhoff Hall 107

Jazz "A" Band

Matt Harris and Gary Pratt, directors.
Thu., March 23, 8 p.m.
Fri., March 24, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Guitar Society Series

Duo Stoyanova in concert.
Sat., March 25, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall
\$8–\$15, \$60 complete series



▲ Soprano Angela M. Brown

Metropolitan Opera soprano
Angela M. Brown in L.A. debut.
Gregg Baker, baritone; William
Vendice of L.A. Opera, accompanist.
Sun., March 26, 4 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
\$15–\$75
Post-performance reception:
additional \$35

Studio Orchestra

Matt Harris, director.
Sun., March 26, 8 p.m.
Northridge Center

Theater/Performance

Nickel and Dimed

The struggle to get by in America,
based on Barbara Ehrenreich's
best seller.
Elynn Gersh Lerner, director.
Wed., March 1, 7 p.m.
Thu., March 2, 8 p.m.
Fri., March 3, 8 p.m.
Sat., March 4, 8 p.m.
Sun., March 5, 3 p.m.
Little Theatre
\$10–\$15

The Shape of Things

Neil LaBute's reinvention of
"Pygmalion."
Fri., March 17, 8 p.m.
Sat., March 18, 8 p.m.
Sun., March 19, 3 p.m. (interpreted)
Wed., March 22, 7 p.m.
Thu., March 23, 8 p.m.
Fri., March 24, 8 p.m.
Sat., March 25, 8 p.m.
Sun., March 26, 3 p.m.
Studio Theatre
\$10–\$13



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