

Trio of Accomplished Alumni to be Honored at Event

Hahn, Vaness and Zakheim to Receive Top Alumni Recognition

California State University, Northridge will honor three alumni who have reached and remained at the pinnacle of their fields at the 13th Annual Distinguished Alumni Awards on Saturday, April 16.

The 2011 recipients represent the fields of music, film and business: Don Hahn, an Oscar nominated producer, Carol Vaness, a singer with the Metropolitan Opera, and Irv Zakheim, founder, CEO and president of Zak Designs.

A dinner gala at the Four Seasons Hotel in Westlake Village will honor the three awardees. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a reception, followed by dinner and awards at 7:30 p.m. Previous Distinguished Alumni award recipient Bill Griffith '80 (Journalism), author and CNBC anchor, will serve as master of ceremonies for the evening.

Honorees will join the ranks of past recipients who include actor and comedian Richard "Cheech" Marin, U.S. District Court Judge S. James Otero, Caltech scientist Michael Day and Grammy Award-winning songwriter Diane Warren.

"Alumni represent the outcome of the educational experience," said



Don Hahn



Carol Vaness



Irv Zakheim

D.G. "Gray" Mounger, assistant vice president of CSUN alumni relations. "The current and past recipients of the Cal State Northridge Distinguished Alumni Awards set an inspiring example for our students and alumni, as they are among the nation's very best in their particular professions or fields of endeavor. And they often credit their alma mater for helping prepare them for future success."

Don Hahn '75 (Music) produced the classic "Beauty and the Beast," the first animated film nominated for a Best Picture Oscar from the Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Sciences. His next film, "The Lion King," broke box-office records to become the top-grossing traditionally animated

film in Disney history and a long-running blockbuster Broadway musical. His other credits include "Who Framed Roger Rabbit," "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" and the animated short, "The Little Matchgirl," which earned Hahn his second Oscar nomination. His new book, "Brain Storm - Unleashing Your Creative Self," is due out in bookstores in summer 2011.

Carol Vaness MA '76 (Music), Hon. D '98 (Fine Arts) is being honored for her "commitment to excellence." She launched her professional singing career at the New York City Opera and then continued for 20 years at the Metropolitan Opera. She has sung on the world's biggest stages, appeared on numerous television

broadcasts and compiled a distinguished catalog of recordings. She performed the title role of Puccini's "Tosca" at the Metropolitan Opera in 2004 opposite Pavarotti in the legendary tenor's final operatic performance. She is a professor of voice and opera at the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. She recently appeared at the Valley Performing Arts Center Opening Gala.

Irv Zakheim '71 (Physical Education) founded the company that would become Zak Designs in 1976. With Zakheim serving as president and CEO, Zak Designs has grown into the worldwide leader in licensed children's dinnerware and is also globally recognized for its trend-setting tableware. He was recognized by the U.S. Small Business Association in 2006 as the Washington State Small Business Person of the Year. Zakheim is founder and chair of the Zak Charity Open, which raises funds to help children in Spokane.

To purchase tickets for this event or for more information, please contact Cheryl McMillan at cheryl.mcmillan@csun.edu or (818) 677-4938. ■

—Angela Browne

CSUN and Peace Corps Cement Partnership

About 100 People Gathered to Celebrate the Partnership and Mark the 50 Years of the Peace Corps

With the stroke of a pen, Cal State Northridge Provost Harry Hellenbrand and Peace Corps Director Aaron Williams cemented a partnership that allows CSUN students interested in doing community service overseas to do so while working on

their master's degrees at the university.

The CSUN Peace Corps Master's International Program, which begins this fall, will combine Peace Corps service with a master's degree program for students studying mathematics or secondary education. Participants in

the program are expected to teach or be involved in education while abroad.

About 100 people gathered at the university Thursday, March 3 to celebrate the partnership and mark the 50 years of the Peace Corps' existence. Many of those in attendance

were Peace Corps alum and Northridge students who intend to be part of the Master's International Program this fall.

"When I hear Peace Corps, I think two words. One word is peace and the other is volunteer," Hellenbrand said. *Peace Corps continued on page 3.*



Peace Corps Director Aaron Williams and CSUN Provost Harry Hellenbrand celebrate new partnership.



Community Connection

By Brittny McCarthy, Director of Government & Community Relations

What's your home's carbon footprint? Find out while providing Cal State Northridge students with a "real world" experience that helps them to develop energy auditing skills. Students enrolled in a new course "Best Practices in Sustainability," developed in partnership with the university's

Institute for Sustainability, are looking for residences within a few miles of the campus to participate in an energy assessment on Friday, March 18, between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Homeowners benefit from the assessment by learning how their energy and water consumption

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Disability Conference to Explore Global Assistive Technology

The panelists include Mohammed Al-Tarawneh, Axel Leblois and Paul P. Schafer

Thousands of people from around the world—from entrepreneurs and tech industry executives to academics and persons with disabilities—are expected to gather in mid-March in San Diego to explore new ways technology can help the disabled.

California State University, Northridge's 26th Annual International Technology and Persons with Disabilities Conference—the largest of its kind in the world—is scheduled to take place March 14–19 at the Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel, One Market Place, San Diego, Calif.

"People don't realize the 'magic' that takes place when persons with disabilities sit down and talk with business and technology innovators. The results of those conversations can change lives," said Sandy Plotin, managing director of Cal State Northridge's Center on Disabilities, which organizes the internationally acclaimed conference every year. "Conversations like that take place throughout the conference."

Plotin said the decision to move the conference two years ago from Los Angeles to San Diego to accommodate more people while eliminating the need to split attendees between two venues has received an over-



Attendees visit vendor booths at last year's International Technology and Persons with Disabilities Conference

whelmingly positive response.

"Now that we've passed our 'inaugural' orientation in the city, we are eager to continue the work we started last year and extend our outreach to even more communities and invite them to the conference," she said.

The conference explores all aspects of technology and disabilities and features a faculty of internationally

recognized speakers, more than 300 general session workshops and more than 150 exhibitors displaying the latest technologies for persons with disabilities.

This year's keynote address will feature a panel discussion examining the global assistive technology divide.

The panelists include Mohammed Al-Tarawneh, a member of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of

Disabled People; Axel Leblois, founder and executive director of G3ict; the Global Initiative for Inclusive Technologies, an advocacy initiative of the United Nations Global Alliance for ICT and Development; and Paul P. Schafer, information technology specialist and assistant Section 508 coordinator at the U. S. Department of State. The discussion will take place on Tuesday, March 15 at 5:30 p.m.

Conference participants will have the opportunity to choose from full- and half-day pre-conference in-depth workshops on March 14 and 15, including the Center on Disabilities' renowned Assistive Technology Applications Certificate Program, which is designed to offer a "certificate" in the area of assistive technology applications.

Pre-conference workshops and general session topics run the gamut of disability and technology issues, from workplace concerns and improving learning outcomes to promoting inclusion with technology, with a focus on emerging technologies.

For more information about the conference or how to register to attend, visit CSUN's Center on Disabilities' website at www.csunconference.org or call the center at (818) 677-2578 V/TTY. ■

—Carmen Ramos Chandler

Accreditation Team Invites Public Comment in Assessment

The IACLEA to Examine CSUN's Department of Police Services' Policies, Procedures and Management

A team of assessors from the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA) will visit Cal State Northridge next month to examine all aspects of the university's Department of Police Services' policies and procedures, management, operation and support services.

The visit, which will take place the week of March 20, is part of a voluntary process to gain reaccreditation—a highly prized recognition of professional excellence in law enforcement/public safety.

"The assessment team is composed of experienced campus law enforcement professionals from out-of-state," said CSUN Police Chief Anne Glavin. "The assessors will review written material, interview individuals and inspect operation procedures and facilities where compliance can be witnessed.

"Three years ago, when we were first accredited, we were evaluated as one of the best departments in the

country," Glavin said. "We certainly hope to maintain that goal as we face reaccreditation."

As part of the review process, university personnel, students and the public are invited to offer their comments about how CSUN's Department of Police Services performs by calling the assessment team at (818) 677-7788 between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon on March 21 and 22. Telephone comments must address the department's ability to comply with IACLEA's standards. To view a copy of the standards, call the department's public information office at (818) 677-7922.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about CSUN's Department of Police Services ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to IACLEA, 342 N. Main St., West Hartford, CT 06117-2507.

CSUN Police Capt. Scott Vanscoy, who is overseeing the department's reaccreditation application, noted that the Department of Police Services

must comply with 236 standards in order to achieve accredited status.

Accreditation is for three years, during which time the department must submit annual reports attesting to continued compliance with those standards under which it was initially accredited.

Copies of the standards are available for review at Department of Police Services, located at 9222 Darby Ave., Northridge. For more information, contact Christina Villalobos at (818) 677-7922. ■

—Carmen Ramos Chandler

CSU Leaders Visit Lawmakers



CSUN President Jolene Koester and Associated Students Body Vice President Neil Sanchez are pictured with Rep. Adam Schiff (D-Burbank). The two were among California State University officials to visit federal lawmakers during the week of March 1, as part of the CSU's annual "Hill Day" event. CSU officials discussed the significant impact on students of the proposed cuts to the Pell Grant program and teacher preparation funds. The CSU is the nation's largest recipient of the need-based Pell Grants with more than 140,000 students garnering an average award of \$4,000.

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Child and Family Studies Center Accepting Applications

CSUN's Lab School is an Excellent Option for Families Searching for a Developmental Program

Cal State Northridge's Child and Family Studies Center is accepting applications for fall 2011 enrollment in its kindergarten program.

The nationally accredited program provides children with an academically appropriate curriculum that is both challenging and fun while at the same time serving as a university training site for future teachers and early childhood educators.

"I see our kindergarten as an excellent option for families searching for a developmental program in an increasingly stressful educational environment," said Christa Dunlap, director of operations for the Child and Family Studies Center Laboratory School. "At the Lab School, we nurture the 'whole child,' fostering a love of exploration and learning."

CSUN's Child and Family Studies Center Laboratory School serves preschool and kindergarten children. The school and center are part of the



Children playing in the yard at CSUN's Laboratory School.

Department of Family and Consumer Sciences and are dedicated to fostering a partnership with each child's family and serves as a model for inclusive education in collaboration with the CHIME Institute, a charter school that serves grades K-8.

The "Lab School," as it is known, is also an instructional site where CSUN students learn teaching skills under the mentorship of master teachers and faculty as they interact with children and get to know their families.

The kindergarten program adheres to California's education standards and offers a low 1 to 8 ratio of adults to children. Its academic hours are from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., but the school also offers extended care from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. to accommodate working families.

For more information or to request a tour, call the Child and Family Studies Center at (818) 677-3131. ■

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told the audience. "If you take those two words seriously we can transform the world and transform ourselves."

Williams said he was "delighted" that his organization was partnering with "one of the largest and most diverse universities in the nation."

"I hope more CSUN students see the Peace Corps as not just an opportunity to serve overseas, but also an opportunity to gain new skill sets and to prepare for a future job market," he said. California State University, Northridge and its students have had a long relationship with the Peace Corps, with more than 450 alumni volunteering with the program since 1961, including 11 who are currently working overseas.

Under the parameters of the new partnership, students must first apply to CSUN's graduate degree programs either in mathematics or secondary education. Once admitted, they can then apply to the Peace Corps International Master's Program. Applicants will be required to submit a letter of recommendation addressing the student's maturity, and the likelihood that he or she will complete the

program. If they are accepted into the program, the students' room and board, airfare, medical and dental insurance and other expenses will be covered by the Peace Corps. When their time of service is completed, the students also will receive a \$7,425 stipend.

Mathematics professor Carol Shubin, coordinator of the program, said she expects the math graduate students will complete most of their academic work before going overseas. The secondary education students will obtain their teaching credentials first before heading abroad, and upon return to the United States are expected to continue their work as students.

Shubin said she felt that CSUN's culturally rich student body—many of its students are the first in their families to go to college, their parents are immigrants or are immigrants themselves—would have a lot to contribute as Peace Corps volunteers.

Herman DeBose, chair of CSUN's Department of Sociology and a onetime Peace Corps volunteer who later served as a Peace Corps director in Kenya, said his time with the Peace Corps taught him a lot

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Peace Corps Director

about himself and what he was capable of accomplishing.

"It was one of the most difficult jobs I ever had," he said. "But I can never look back without seeing how much I gained. The experience was life changing, and it's an experience that I will cherish the rest of my life."

Now at approximately 100 universities across the nation, the Master's

International Program was established in 1987 to produce Peace Corps volunteers with additional education and skills to serve overseas.

The Peace Corps traces its roots and mission to 1960, when then Sen. John F. Kennedy challenged students at the University of Michigan to serve their country in the cause of peace by living and working in developing countries. From that inspiration grew an agency of the federal government devoted to work, peace and friendship. Since that time, nearly 200,000 Peace Corps volunteers have served in 139 host countries to work on issues ranging from AIDS education to information technology and environmental preservation.

California State University, Northridge has more than 35,000 full- and part-time students and offers 66 bachelor's and 53 master's degrees as well as 28 teaching credential programs. Founded in 1958, CSUN is among the largest single-campus universities in the nation and the only four-year public university in the San Fernando Valley. The university serves as the intellectual, economic and cultural heart of the Valley and beyond. ■

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habits compare to other residences, and how their energy and water usage might be reduced.

Through this process, students will have the opportunity to learn how to conduct water and energy audits under the direction of faculty members Mechelle Best and Helen Cox. On the day of the audit, students will check facilities and equipment to determine whether water and energy saving equipment is in use and whether the equipment is functioning adequately. Students also will interview residents to determine behavioral practices, such as turning off lights and equipment, use of timers, equipment maintenance and preventative

maintenance, and will compare those practices against "best practices."

Participants in the study will need to provide their monthly utility bills for the past 12 months. Homeowners also should be prepared to answer questions during a 30-minute interview and permit the students to assess their homes, which should take about one hour, depending on the size of the home. In return, the students will provide an assessment and written recommendations for the homeowner.

If you are interested and available to participate in this mutually beneficial project, please call (818) 677-7715 with your name, e-mail and telephone number.

The Office of Government and Community Relations also is proud to announce the addition of a student intern to its staff. Darren Hause, who will graduate this spring with a degree in political science and a minor in geography, will assist us in assessing current university and community relations and help us improve communications with neighbors. Darren, who has lived in the Northridge community for the past six years, has had the opportunity to meet some of you at area neighborhood council meetings. In the near future, he will be reaching out to neighbors to conduct focus groups. I hope many of you will participate in this important process.

The Office of Government and Community Relations now publishes a semi-monthly e-newsletter for community leaders, area business owners and neighbors of Cal State Northridge. If you would like to receive the e-newsletter, please send an e-mail to communityrelations@csun.edu.

As always, this column serves to also highlight community resources and partnerships. Do you have a positive story to tell about a partnership between the community and Cal State Northridge students, faculty or staff? E-mail your idea to communityrelations@csun.edu to be considered for publication in this column. ■

Calendar

The A.S. Ticket Office in the University Student Union (USU) 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 \$6 parking permit.**

Alumni Events

For info or to RSVP, www.csunumni.com or (818) 677-2137 unless otherwise noted.

Celebration of Life of Dr. Tom Reilly

The Oviatt Library and the Department of Journalism invite all to attend the "Celebration of Life" of the late Dr. Tom Reilly, former chair of the Department of Journalism, on the publication of his posthumous book "War with Mexico! America's Reporters Cover the Battlefield" edited by Manley Witten. The event is scheduled on March 17, from 4–6 p.m. in the Oviatt Library Graduate Reading Room. RSVP to (818) 677-2638.

2011 Distinguished Alumni Awards Gala

Join us at the 13th annual Distinguished Alumni Awards dinner and gala. This year's honorees include Disney producer Don Hahn '75, international opera star Carol Vaness MA'76, and president & CEO of Zak Designs, Irv Zakheim '71. Register by April 8. Sat., The event is April 16, Four Seasons Hotel, 2 Dole Drive, Westlake Village 91362 \$125 per person, \$1,250 for table sponsorships.

To register, sponsor a table or place an ad, contact Cheryl McMillan at (818) 677-4938 or cheryl.mcmillan@csun.edu.

Art and Exhibits

For gallery info, call (818) 677-2156. Main gallery hours: Mon. through Sat. 12–4 p.m. and Thursdays 12–8 p.m. Admission is free unless specified. For library exhibits, call (818) 677-2285.

CSUN Photo Club Exhibit

Through Thu., March 17. West Gallery, Art and Design Center

Celebrating Black History – Cultural Competence: 21st Century Consciousness

This exhibit commemorates the legacy of Black History Month and was created by Cal State Northridge students to highlight important parts of American history from a Black perspective. Curated by Catherine Adaku Anyanwu, Justin Marks, Jodi Murray, Terrence Stewart and Joshua Thompson. Through Thu., March 24. Oviatt Library Lobby

Flip Side: The After Hours Art of CSUN Faculty and Staff

Artists: Marcos Armitaje, James D. Ballard, Marion Brown, Lee Choo, Janis Lyons, Kimon Rethis, Talin Saroukhanian, Tony Velis. Fri., March 18 through Thu., March 24. West Gallery, Art and Design Center

My Life as Art: James Robie

This exhibition spans four decades and showcases the graphic design and fine art of James Robie, featuring a decade-by-decade look at the evolution of his art. Through Sat., March 26. Main Gallery, Art and Design Center

CSUN Art Ed Exhibit

Wed., April 6 through Thu., April 14. West Gallery, Art and Design Center

One of a Kind: Celebrating Thirty-Seven Years of Special Collections

Exhibit features rarely seen pieces from the Oviatt Library's Special Collections and Archives, including unique books, letters, costumes, maps, sculptures, paintings, engravings and manuscripts. Through Fri., July 22. C.K. and Teresa Tseng Gallery, Oviatt Library

Athletics (home games):

Alumni Association members receive discounted admission to selected home events throughout the year. For more info, call (818) 677-2488 or visit www.GoMatadors.com.

Baseball

3/15 UNLV	3 p.m.
3/25 Loyola Marymount	3 p.m.
3/27 Loyola Marymount	1 p.m.
4/8 CSU Bakersfield	3 p.m.
4/12 UC Santa Barbara	3 p.m.

Softball

3/15 North Dakota	1 & 3 p.m.
4/16 Pacific	12 & 2 p.m.
4/17 Pacific	12 p.m.

Women's Tennis

3/15 Texas State	2 p.m.
3/18 Columbia	2 p.m.
3/19 Dartmouth	12:30 p.m.
3/21 Bowdoin College	2 p.m.
3/23 New Mexico State	2 p.m.
3/24 Johns Hopkins	2 p.m.
4/1 Portland	1 p.m.
4/9 UC Irvine	12:30 p.m.
4/14 Loyola Marymount	2 p.m.

Men's and Women's Track and Field

3/17 Northridge Invitational Multi Events	9 a.m.
3/18 Northridge Invitational Multi Events	9 a.m.

Men's Volleyball

3/18 BYU	7 p.m.
3/19 BYU	7 p.m.
4/7 UC San Diego	7 p.m.
4/9 UC Irvine	7 p.m.

Women's Water Polo

3/16 Bucknell & Marist	2:15 & 6 p.m.
4/2 UC Davis & Alumni	12 & 3 p.m.
4/3 Pacific & CSU San Bernardino	12 & 3 p.m.
4/9 UC Santa Barbara & California Baptist	12 & 5 p.m.

Bianchi Planetarium

For ticket info, (818) 677-2488 or visit www.csun.edu/phys/department_guide/colloquia_and_planetarium/planetarium.html. Telescope viewing follows second show.

'Winter Sky Show' and 'Total Solar Eclipse at the Navel of the World.'

Fri., March 18, 7:30 p.m.

'Spring Sky Show' and 'The JUNO Mission to Jupiter.'

Thu., March 31, 7:30 p.m.

'Spring Sky Show.'

Thu., April 14, 7:30 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. Seating not guaranteed. For more info, call (818) 677-3192 or see www.cinematheque.csun.edu.

'Diary of a Chambermaid'

Luis Buñuel Retrospective. Thu., March 17, 7 p.m.

'Belle de Jour'

Luis Buñuel Retrospective. Thu., March 24, 7 p.m.

'The Milky Way'

Luis Buñuel Retrospective. Thu., April 14, 7 p.m.

Lectures/Classes

26th Annual International Technology & Persons with Disabilities Conference

Cal State Northridge's Center on Disabilities will host the annual conference. Discounts and scholarships are available. Mon., March 14 through Sat., March 19. Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel, One Market Place, San Diego Conference fees: \$550. One-day conference registration \$350, half-day \$260. For discount and scholarship info, contact (818) 677-4929 or conference@csun.edu. For general info, contact the Center on Disabilities at (818) 677-2578.

Basic Residential Security: How to Make Your Home a Safer Place

The Department of Police Services will host a workshop presented by Daniel Foster, Crime Prevention Coordinator, who will speak on basic residential security principles and how they can be applied to secure your home and surroundings and reduce your chances of being a victim of crime. Wed., March 16, 12–1 p.m. Department of Police Services, 2nd floor Training Room For more info or to register, visit www.surveymonkey.com/s/residentialsecurity or contact Daniel Foster at (818) 677-5820 or daniel.foster@csun.edu.

Rev. Lawson Lecture

Civil Discourse and Social Change, a campus-wide initiative, presents a public lecture by the Rev. James Lawson, prominent civil rights activist. Tue., March 22, 4–6:45 p.m. Oviatt Library Presentation Room For more info, contact Marta Lopez-Garza at (818) 677-4785, (818) 677-6488 or marta.lopez-garza@csun.edu, or Kathryn Sorrells at (818) 677-2104 or kathryn.sorrells@csun.edu.

radKIDS – Personal Empowerment Safety Education

The radKIDS program teaches children realistic physical skills to recognize, avoid, resist and escape physical violence and/or harm and abduction.

Mon., April 4 through Fri., April 8.

Department of Police Services \$10 For more info or to register, visit www-admn.csun.edu/police/RAD/radKIDS.htm or contact Daniel Foster at (818) 677-5820 or daniel.foster@csun.edu.

Music

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

Faculty Artist Series

Deanna Murray, soprano. Sat., March 19, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

An Evening of Small Group Jazz

Matt Harris and Gary Pratt, directors. Wed., March 23, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

Faculty/Guest Artist Series

Dmitry Rachmanov, piano and Limor Toren-Immerman, violin. Fri., March 25, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

From the Piano Studio of Dmitry Rachmanov

Wed., March 30, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

An Evening of Small Group Jazz

Matt Harris and Gary Pratt, directors. Tue., April 12, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

Women's Chorale

Katherine Ramos Baker, conductor. Wed., April 13, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

Steel Drum Band

Gee Rabe, director. Thu., April 14, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

University Chorus

Katherine Ramos Baker, conductor. Fri., April 15, 7:30 p.m. Plaza del Sol Performance Hall

Samuel Goldberg and Sons Honors String Quartet in Concert

Diane Roscetti, director. Sat., April 16, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

New Directions Composers' Group

Liviu Marinescu, director. Sun., April 17, 7:30 p.m. Cypress Recital Hall

Theater/Performance

Interpreted performances subject to change.

Ed Asner in 'FDR'

Prolific Emmy and Golden Globe Award winning actor Ed Asner will portray one of America's most beloved and influential presidents, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Based on one of the longest running plays of all time, Sunrise at Campobello by Dore Schary. Thu., March 17, 8 p.m. Valley Performing Arts Center \$15–\$55

Rosanne Cash

One of the preeminent singers and songwriters in Americana, Rosanne Cash is the keeper of an extraordinary family legacy and has navigated her own path between country, rock, roots and pop. Sat., March 19, 8 p.m. Valley Performing Arts Center \$15–\$55

'Don't U Luv Me?'

This intense theater experience empowers teens to recognize potentially dangerous relationships. By Linda Daugherty. Directed by Anamarie Dwyer. Sat., March 19, 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. Sun., March 20, 2 p.m. Little Theatre, Nordhoff Hall 121 \$8–\$16

Aszure Barton & Artists

Acclaimed choreographer Aszure Barton will perform a contemporary dance performance with her intimate ensemble. Sat., March 26, 8 p.m. Valley Performing Arts Center \$15–\$55

Henschel String Quartet

Presented by the Music Guild. Wed., March 30, 8–10 p.m. Plaza del Sol Performance Hall \$5–\$45

China Philharmonic Orchestra

The China Philharmonic Orchestra offers an eclectic repertoire of genres and styles, having toured in 30 countries and performed in prestigious concert halls. Sat., April 16, 8 p.m. Valley Performing Arts Center \$15–\$55



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