

TCU THIS WEEK



EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

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Performers, artists, films headline TCU Latin American Arts Festival

WHAT BEGAN AS A CLASSICAL MUSIC festival on campus in 1998 becomes a community-wide celebration of Hispanic heritage this year. The TCU Latin American Arts Festival begins April 5 with Fort Worth Symphony concerts all weekend at Bass Hall and concludes April 13 with an outdoor fiesta on the lawn outside the Student Center.

The days between are filled with events that celebrate the talent and culture of Mexico, Spain and the countries of South America. **Germán Gutiérrez** organized the musical programs, with the other departments in the College of Fine Arts and across the University presenting their own, unique contributions.

For a complete listing of events, check the calendar listings at www.latinarts.tcu.edu or call ext. 7143. Brochures are available from the Office of Communications, Sadler Hall, rm. 321, or call ext. 7810. Featured guests scheduled to appear are:

Daniel Binelli

The Argentinian bandoneónist and composer has made a long career of interpreting the rhythms of the tango for international audiences. The late tango composer Astor Piazzola chose Binelli to join his touring sextet in the late 1980s; now he travels the world interpreting Piazzola's work as a soloist with symphonic and chamber orchestras.

Opus Cuatro

An important vocal group in their native Argentina, Opus Cuatro has become well-known in Europe, Asia and the rest of Latin America. Their repertoire concentrates on the performance of popular music and sounds rooted in the folk traditions of Latin America.

Playwright José Rivera

Born in Puerto Rico and now based in Los Angeles, Rivera is regarded as an important voice in contemporary drama. His plays include *Sueño*, the Obie Award-winning *Marisol*, *References to Salvador Dali Make Me Hot*, *Cloud Tectonics*, *The House of Ramon Iglesia*, *Each Day Dies with Sleep* and many more.

Composer Manuel Esperón

Manuel Esperón wrote the scores for more than 600 films during the heyday of Mexican cinema. He collaborated with the most noted directors of the era, including Luis Buñuel, Chano Urueta, Ismael Rodríguez, René

Cardona and Fernando de Fuentes, and also worked on music for American films at both MGM and Walt Disney Studios. Described as a "living legend," the 90-year-old Esperón is credited with encouraging the international appeal of mariachi music...his traditional, romantic melodies embody the culture of Old Mexico.

Dance troupes from Latin America

Susan Douglas Roberts (ballet & modern dance) has invited five international ballet and modern dance companies to perform at the Festival ... "Compañía Sunny Savoy" from Puebla, Mexico; "Momentum" from Guatemala; "Intermitente" from Paraguay; "El Portón" from Argentina; and "Ballet Nacional" from Peru.

Special Programming

This year, for the first time, TCU is collaborating on special events for children in "Fort Worth After School," an enrichment program jointly sponsored by Fort Worth ISD and the City of Fort Worth. Since early March, **Sheri Neill**, director of music education in the TCU School of Music, along with 11 students from her Elementary Music Methods class, have been working with 75 children in the after-school program. Divided into teams, they visit Sam Rosen, Oakhurst and Hubbard Heights Elementary Schools twice weekly to teach six songs to the youngsters.

The lessons and rehearsals will lead to 7:30 p.m. April 9 in Ed Landreth Auditorium when the "TCU Latin American Festival Children's Chorus" takes the stage for a concert of vocal music from Ecuador, Chile, Puerto Rico and Colombia. Children ages 5-7 enrolled in TCU's Early Childhood Music Program will sing two Spanish songs. The professional group of Andes musicians, Raymi, also will perform. According to Sheri, the finale will feature all the children, along with the audience, singing *De Colores*.

There also will be a youth art show in the Student Center ballroom, and dance troupe performances at Worth Heights, DeZavala, Rufino Mendoza and W.J. Turner Elementary Schools and at Rosemont Middle School. ♦

EVENTS

Today - April 5

Master of Fine Arts exhibition featuring Carol Benson.***

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Monday Music in the Library lobby - Enjoy music by Nic Garcia, Jeremy Hull and Andrew Skates, 2:30 - 3 p.m.

April 3

KinoMonda film series presents *Indochine* (France), 7 p.m., Sid Richardson LH 1. Call ext. 7292.

April 4

Honors Convocation featuring novelist/physicist Dr. Alan Lightman, 11 a.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Call ext. 7125 for more information.

RTVF presents *Johnny Guitar* (1954) starring Joan Crawford, 7 p.m., Moudy Bldg., room 164S. Call ext. 7630 for more information.

April 5

Engineering department will host astronaut Susan Helms as its Green Honors Chair, 2:30 p.m., Sid Richardson LH 4. Call ext. 7677 for more information.

Student composers recital, **Cerald Cabal** directing, 3 p.m., PepsiCoRecital Hall.*

April 5-30

TCU Theatre presents *Sueño (Life is a Dream)*, 8 p.m., Stage West. Fortickets call 817-784-9378.

April 5-7

Dance Dept. presents their Spring Dance Concert with choreography by faculty and Choreographer-in-Residence **Fernando Bujones**, 8 p.m. April 5-6, 2 p.m. April 7. For ticket information, call ext. 6673

Latin American Arts Festival - Fort Worth Symphony, conducted by Roberto Minczuk of Brazil, 8 p.m. April 5-6, 2 p.m. April 7, Bass Performance Hall. Fortickets, visit www.fwso.org.

April 8 - 13

Latin American Arts Festival art exhibition featuring works by the faculty of Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru in Lima, Moudy Bldg., exhibition hall, north entrance. Opening reception 5 - 7 p.m. April 8. **

April 8

Latin American Arts Festival - Spanish and Latin American Studies speaker, Marjorie Agosin, Chilean writer, discusses women & politics in Latin America, 7 p.m., Moudy Bldg., room 320S.**

Latin American Arts Festival - TCU Wind Symphony, **Bobby Francis** directing, Vicente Sanchiz guest conductor from Spain, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium.**

Sigma Xi lecture by *Dallas Morning News* science editor Tom Siegfried, 8 p.m., Sid Richardson LH1. For more information, call ext. 7643.

*Call the School of Music at ext. 7602.

**Call the Latin American Arts Festival office at ext. 7143.

***Call the dept. of art/art history at ext. 7643.

Ron Shirey taking choirs to Carnegie Hall April 5

THE COMBINED VOICES OF THE TCU Chorale, TCU Choral Union and the chancel choir of University Christian Church (some 149 all together), under the direction of **Ron Shirey**, will perform Friday night, April 5, at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

This is the third time in as many years that Skitch Henderson, music director of The New York Pops, has invited the TCU and UCC choirs - a group billed on the program as the Fort Worth-TCU Symphonic Choir - to sing with his orchestra.

This time, the occasion is part of New York's citywide celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of composer Richard Rodgers. The group will open the show with *Oklahoma* and close with *You'll Never Walk Alone*. In between are a *Sound of Music* medley, another medley from *The King and I*, *Slaughter on 10th Avenue*, *Falling in Love* and more. Soprano Amy Pummill, a TCU graduate and daughter of **Janet Pummill** (School of Music), will be the soloist. ♦

Dance concerts onstage this coming weekend

THE DEPARTMENT OF BALLET & modern dance presents "Encore," its spring dance event April 5-7 in Ed Landreth Auditorium. Performances are scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets are free for faculty, staff and students with TCU ID and can be picked up at the dance building, rm. 101, beginning today. General admission tickets are \$5 and are only available at the door. Proceeds will support future productions.

For more information, call ext. 7615. ♦

New director at Center for Teaching Excellence

DR. CATHERINE WEHLBURG HAS BEEN named director of the Center for Teaching Excellence, effective July 1. She is the associate vice president for academic affairs at Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., and an established leader in academic development.

Aside from her administrative role, Wehlburg serves as a consultant-evaluator for the higher learning commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and as the director of institutional assessment for her university. She is the editor of *To Improve the Academy*, an annual sourcebook for those in faculty development and organizational development. Her accomplishments at Stephens College include setting up an online course evaluation system and revamping the general education curriculum. Additionally, Wehlburg has chaired and taught in the department of psychology since 2000.

She has been at Stephens College since 1991. Prior to that she taught at the University of Missouri - Columbia, Central Methodist College and the University of

Florida. She received her bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Florida. ♦

R.A.D. classes scheduled

A FREE RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE System class open to all female faculty and staff and their dependents, as well as students, is set for April 20-21. Sessions will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Fort Worth Police and Fire Training Facility at 1000 Calvert.

Courses, sponsored by TCU Police and TCU Risk Management, are offered at no cost. To register, call **Hao Brown** at ext. 7778. ♦

Handheld Users Group

TCU'S HANDHELD USERS GROUP WILL have its second meeting of the semester from noon to 1 p.m. April 9 in the library conference room, B21. **Mike Russel** (campus life) will discuss the Steven Covey software for handheld devices.

Bring your brown bag lunch, PDA and questions. For more information, contact **Bob Seal** at ext. 7106. ♦

Shuttle bus comments?

TCU POLICE WOULD LIKE YOUR complaints, comments or suggestions about TCU's shuttle bus service. There is a survey form available at www.cap.tcu.edu/Comments.htm. ♦

NEW FACES

Leonel J. Gonzalez has been hired as a service assistant for facility services. He formerly worked at Robert W. Shaw Mfg.

Sharon Kimberley is the new director of executive consulting for the Charles Tandy American Enterprise Center (Neeley School). She has a B.A. degree in economics and has completed advanced studies at SMU. She was previously employed as a management consultant.

Alberta McLemore has joined advancement as an administrative assistant. She previously worked for the Aledo school district.

Kyle Nystrom has been hired as an assistant football coach. He holds a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and was formerly employed at Western Michigan University.

Orval L. Rodgers is a new HVAC technician in physical plant. An experienced air-conditioning technician, he formerly worked at Texas Wesleyan University.

Debbie Simon has joined financial aid as an office assistant. She attended community college and was last employed in the Grapevine-Colleyville ISD.

Amy Trullinger has been hired as a data control specialist in Development Information Services. She has a B.A. in psychology from the University of Iowa and has worked as a research assistant at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics.

KUDOS

Three campus women received Nokia Research Awards at the Women and Community Dinner during last month's TCU Women's Symposium.

The undergraduate recipient is Jessica Sand, an honors ballet and modern dance student. Graduate winner is Lisa A. Cooper, a Ph.D. candidate in the English department. The faculty winner is **Theresa Strouth Gaul** of the English department.

Theresa also was recently notified that she has won this year's Faculty Travel Grant for U.S. Research, presented by the South Central Modern Language Association.

DEATHS

Sympathy is extended to **Maj. Daniel Thiebaud** (military science) and family in the death of his father-in-law, Robert L. Shaw, on March 20. Funeral service was held March 23 in Dublin, Texas.

Sympathy also is extended to **Joe Laster** (facility services) and **Jill Laster** (business services) in the death of Joe's mother, Helen Josephine Laster, on March 23 in Amarillo. A private service was held March 26 in Amarillo.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR LEASE: Large duplex in TCU area, 2 bedroom, 2 bath plus garage, 1500 sq. ft., \$1295/month, first/last month plus deposit, non-smoker only. Call 817-921-3446 to see.

FOR SALE: Dining room suite - oval table w/leaf, 6 chairs, lighted hutch, \$400. Call ext. 7652 or 817-292-0744 after 6 p.m.

FREE TO GOOD HOMES: Six precious, adorable kittens ready for new homes on April 10. Two dark gray, two black and two black with white markings. All are indoor kittens and will be litter box trained. Call ext. 7810 or 817-732-6533 after 6 p.m. to see.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of March 27. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Accompanist/Ballet/temporary staff - Ballet/Modern Dance
Coordinator, Community Programs and Professional Development - Extended Education
Annual Fund Officer - Annual Fund
Assistant Men's and Women's Track Coach - Athletics
Director of Athletic Marketing - Athletics
Assistant Director of Marketing - Athletics
Athletic Video Intern - Athletics
Postdoctoral Fellow - Chemistry
Postdoctoral Research Associate - Chemistry
Assistant Director for Aquatics - Recreational Sports
Assistant Director for Challenge Course - Recreational Sports
Assistant Director for Intramural Sports - Recreational Sports
Manager of Admissions Information Services - Admissions
Computer Technical Specialist - User Services
Computer Hardware Tech - User Services
Service Assistant - Residential Services
Service Assistant - Student Center
Service Assistant - Facility Services
Structural Maintenance Tech - Physical Plant
EMCS Technician - Physical Plant

Gardening tip from Robert Sulak (physical plant): The chance of survival is rather low for bare-rooted plants this late in the season. Use container-grown or ball-and-burlapped plants instead.