SANTA CLARITA
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
AT COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS
2014/15 SEASON

A Season of Celebration
Dear Friends,

On October 15, 2004, a newly-built Performing Arts Center at College of the Canyons opened its doors to the community.

Inaugurating the stage was the COC Theatre Department’s production of “Big River,” a popular musical based on Mark Twain’s classic 1884 novel, “The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.”

Over the years, those in attendance at the sold-out gala have shared stories about that extraordinary evening. That night, in partnership with the City of Santa Clarita, the dream of our visionary Chancellor, Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook, was realized: a cultural “star” was born – your PAC!

Fast forward 10 years and, with the support of a dedicated Board of Trustees, professional staff, generous donors, loyal volunteers and City of Santa Clarita arts partners, an eclectic roster of presentations including thousands of performances, classes, graduations, special events and K-12 activities have taken place in the PAC.

Now, it’s time to roll out the red carpet and celebrate!

The 10th Anniversary Season of programs - from COC Presents, COC Arts on Campus, community performances to COC Art Gallery exhibitions - have been carefully crafted to offer you, our valued patrons, a wealth of artistic options from which to choose.

We invite you to join us, participate and engage in all that our PAC brings to the community – right in your own backyard.

This will be a year-long birthday party you won’t want to miss!

Evy Warshawski
Executive Director
Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center
College of the Canyons

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Look for this logo throughout the brochure for special 10th Anniversary events!
TRAVIS BRASS
Friday, September 5, 8pm
FREE (doors open at 7pm)

Be prepared to snap to attention and salute the toe-tapping style and humor of Travis Brass – the premiere ensemble of the United States Air Force Band of the Golden West. These active duty professional musicians excel in multiple genres - from a standard march or traditional brass composition, to jazz, ragtime and today's popular music. Their blend of style and musicianship guarantee an entertaining, lively evening at the PAC!

AN EVENING WITH
PAULA POUNDSTONE
Saturday, September 6, 8pm
$45/$40/$35

Wry, intelligent comedy – the hallmark of Emmy Award-winning comedian, author and humorist Paula Poundstone. You may know her from NPR’s widely popular quiz show, “Wait Wait... Don’t Tell Me.” Or maybe from Showtime’s “Why We Laugh Too: Women of Comedy.” Then again, you might remember her as the first woman to perform standup at the prestigious White House Correspondents’ Dinner, or as one of Comedy Central’s 100 Greatest Stand-Ups of All Time. However you know Poundstone, you can count on an evening of some serious funny business.

DAVE MASON’S TRAFFIC JAM
Thursday, September 18, 8pm
$55/$50/$45

Dave Mason: Rock and Roll Hall of Famer and co-founder with Steve Winwood of the legendary band, Traffic. Need we say more? As teenagers, Mason and Winwood created music that winged its way into the hearts of generations of music lovers. His songs and masterful guitar work influenced rock and roll’s elite, including Eric Clapton, Stevie Wonder, Michael Jackson, Fleetwood Mac, and The Rolling Stones. Join us for an evening of contemporary music history as Mason takes his guitar back to the early days of his career with Traffic and the works that launched his vibrant solo career.

THE ORQUESTA DE BAJA CALIFORNIA
Saturday, September 20, 8pm
$45/$40

Celebrate National Hispanic Month with one of Mexico’s most prestigious musical institutions with renowned guitarist and guest conductor, Angel Romero. Founded in 1990 by Juan Echeverría and Eduardo García Barrios, the OBC offers a wide range of concert experiences from the baroque to contemporary Mexican music, including chamber and full-fledged symphonic compositions. From within the orchestra’s ranks, Mariachi music will also be featured complete with traditional garb, plus celebrated Mexican guest artists including 12-year-old piano prodigy, Daniela Liebman.
NA LEI HULU I KA WEKIU
Friday, September 26, 8pm
$40/$35/$30

Get ready for some serious “hula mua” (hula that evolves) when Na Lei Hulu I Ka Wekiu brings its infectious blend of traditional and contemporary Hawaiian dance forms to Santa Clarita. Founded in 1985 and based in San Francisco, the company of 30 dancers is known for its unique contemporary style accompanied by opera, electronic, dance, alternative and pop music. Nothing engenders that special aloha feeling more than the visually stunning movements of Na Lei Hulu.

Dress to Impress
A Hawaiian shirt contest will be held at the end of the show, judged by members of Na Lei Hulu. Winners will receive special Hawaiian-themed prizes.

LeANN RIMES
Sunday, September 28, 7pm
$70/$65/$60

Margaret LeAnn Rimes Cibrian (make that LeAnn Rimes!) became country music’s youngest star since Tanya Tucker when she released the hit song “Blue.” Since then there has been no stopping this prolific artist who is often compared to the legendary Patsy Cline. Two Grammys, three American Country Music Awards, 12 Billboard Music Awards, and more than 37 million records sold worldwide – just a few of the reasons the PAC is proud to welcome LeAnn and her small band for the signature event of our 10th Anniversary Season.
BASETRACK
Sunday, October 5, 7pm
$40/$35/$30
This deeply engaging multimedia theatrical experience and social history project is about America’s longest war, specifically in southern Afghanistan and the powerful experiences of Marines returning home. Interweaving original music and cascades of images, actors perform texts adapted from real blog posts immersing audiences in a gripping account of war and the powerfully moving experiences of Marines and their families.

OPEN MIC NIGHT
AND YOU’RE THE STAR!
Wednesday, October 15, 8pm
All seats $10
Ready for your 15 minutes of fame? Start that long march to your star on Rockwell Boulevard and join us in celebrating the very night the PAC opened in 2004. Poetry, dance, theatrical monologue, comedy routine, juggling act – bring on your best COC-style and compete for prizes with colleagues, family, and friends! The audience will choose the winners, who will receive fun prizes!

For application details and deadlines, visit www.canyonsPAC.com

JASON LATIMER:
WORLD CHAMPION OF MAGIC
Saturday, October 25, 3pm
$35/$30/$25
An American illusionist best known for starring in six live British television specials on BBC’s “The Magicians,” and winning the overall competition, Jason Latimer excels in sciences across multiple fields. From shaping water into objects and then popping them, to bending light with his bare hands, to levitating liquids, to animating drawings on his skin, Latimer is truly one of a kind. He has won more awards for performances before the age of 30 than many accumulate in a lifetime. Now you see it, now you don’t…dare miss this show! For families of all ages.

AN EVENING WITH
MAVIS STAPLES
Saturday, November 1, 8pm
$55/$50/$45
American treasure, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee, and one of Rolling Stone’s “Greatest Singers of All Time,” Mavis Staples is both a Lifetime Grammy Award Recipient and 2011 Grammy Award-winner for her CD, “You Are Not Alone.” Staples brings together her rich voice and her incomparable band for an evening that will rock the PAC with heart and soul renditions of her favorite American rhythm and blues, and gospel songs – as only she can sing them!
JACK HANNA’S INTO THE WILD LIVE
presented by Nationwide Insurance
Sunday, November 2, 2pm
$40/$35

It’s a jungle in the PAC when wildlife expert Jack Hanna herds his menagerie of small animals to our stage. Recently celebrating his 35th “Hanna-versary” at the Columbia Zoo, Jack’s commitment to studying and preserving animals across the globe has made this charismatic man in khaki TV’s wildlife expert who delights audiences of all ages. After the show, hang around for a meet & greet with Jack and some of his furry friends. For families of all ages.

THE UNITED KINGDOM UKULELE ORCHESTRA
Saturday, November 8, 8pm
All seats $40

If you think the Hawaiian Islands have proprietary rights to the ukulele, then you’ve never experienced TUKUO - The United Kingdom Ukulele Orchestra. The PAC is proud to import this unusual orchestra, replete with formal evening wear, bow ties, and finely tuned mini ukulele guitars. Wow-ing audiences worldwide, TUKUO’s repertoire swings from rock, to oldies, to current hits, all with incredible vocal harmonies and just the right splash of British humor.

THE ROCKAPPELLA HOLIDAY SHOW
Saturday, December 13, 8pm
$40/$35/$30

Back by popular demand, the undisputed kings of contemporary a cappella continue to offer proof of their boundless ability to inspire and attract devoted fans, new and old. They’ve toured the globe, helped 10 million viewers find Carmen Sandiego on PBS, and have provided a funky, powerful soundtrack to several generations of vocal music fans. Now they promise to deck the PAC halls with holiday favorites, uniquely Rockapella-style.

VERSÀ-STYLE DANCE
Friday, January 23, 8pm
$30/$25

Versa-Style’s young artists lock, pop, boogaloo and merengue through a highly energetic evening of hip-hop dance that breaks through color lines to represent the diversity and complexity of Los Angeles. Freedom of expression, freedom of individuality, hard work, self-discipline and dedication to the form – that’s Versa-Style.
LIGHTWIRE THEATER
IN "THE SHOW"
Sunday, January 25, 2pm
$35/$30/$25
From breakout performances on “America’s Got Talent” to the stage in Santa Clarita: the PAC proudly presents Lightwire Theater in their most epic adventure yet. “The Show” features 60 different characters and a strange and fascinating world where good and evil struggle for dominance, birds grow 16-feet tall, cats fight with light sabers and an unlikely hero emerges from the darkness. With dazzling visuals, poignant storytelling and creative use of music – from classical, to pop, to film scores – Lightwire Theater creates a dynamic, family-friendly theatrical experience.

STORY PIRATES
IN "GREATEST HITS"
Saturday, January 31, 2pm
$15/$10
These pirates can’t sail and they won’t make you walk the plank, but they will steal your kids’ ideas and incorporate them on the spot into an interactive show that validates the imagination of every child in the audience. Join the Story Pirates as they create a show before your eyes that’s as crazy, hilarious and unexpected as kids themselves. For kids ages 5 and up.

ESCAPE Theatre and the Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center Co-present
AN EVENING WITH
STEPHANIE J. BLOCK
Saturday, March 7, 8pm
$60/$50/$40
Tony Award and Drama Desk Award nominee Stephanie J. Block takes the stage to present a selection of Broadway’s most unforgettable hits as well as American and pop standards. The very first actress to step into the green skin of the misunderstood Elphaba in the Broadway production of Wicked, Ms. Block and her musical ensemble will perform a special 10th anniversary concert in support of musical programs for ESCAPE Theatre and the PAC’s K-12 Arts Education Outreach programs.

TRINITY IRISH DANCE
IN "THE DAWN"
Saturday, March 14, 8pm
$45/$40/$35
For more than three decades, the Trinity Academy of Irish Dance has been at the cutting edge of progressive Irish dance. Its groundbreaking work opened the artistic pathways leading directly to commercial productions like “Riverdance.” Trinity dazzles audiences with hard-driving percussive power, lightning-fast agility, aerial grace, and the awe-inspiring precision of its dancers. Boasting a legacy that is rooted in tradition, yet forward-looking and ever-evolving, Trinity yields a thoroughly fresh and engaging artistic vision of dance.
2CELLOS
Monday, March 23, 8pm
$55/$50/$45
Luka Sulic and Stjepan Hauser equal 2Cellos. These young Croatians take the noble stringed instrument where it has never dared to go before, breaking the boundaries between classical and film music, pop and rock. Luka and Stjepan redefine the cello, as they bounce between AC/DC, Bach and Vivaldi. Two cellos, four hands, no limits.

ARLO GUTHRIE
ALICE’S RESTAURANT 50TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR
Sunday, April 12, 4pm
$65/$60/$55
Oh no, say it isn’t so. Has it really been almost 50 years since Arlo had his incident at Alice’s Restaurant? A half-century since the song first appeared, veteran singer/songwriter Arlo Guthrie continues to walk to his own beat as he relives classic songs and shares anecdotes from a life campaigning for social justice and making audiences “deliciously” happy.

BOBBY McFERRIN
Saturday, April 18, 8pm
$65/$60/$55
Listening to Bobby McFerrin sing may be hazardous to your preconceptions. Side effects could include unparalleled joy, a new perspective on creativity, rejection of the predictable, and a sudden, irreversible urge to lead a more spontaneous existence. Don’t worry, you will definitely be happy when this incomparable 10-time Grammy winner graces the PAC stage.

CAROLINA CHOCOLATE DROPS
Tuesday, May 19, 8pm
$45/$40/$35
The Carolina Chocolate Drops have become the most electrifying acoustic act in America with a sound that Rolling Stone dubs “dirt-floor-dance electricity.” An appealing grab-bag of antique country, blues, jug band hits and gospel hollers, the Drops create a down-home style that’s all their own.
POTPOURRI OF DANCE
Thurs-Fri, December 11-12 at 8pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
You will smile and tap your feet to the showcase of high-spirited dances choreographed and performed by COC students, faculty and guest artists.

DANCING AT THE PAC
Thurs-Sat, May 14-16, 2015 at 8pm
Black Box
$10/$5
Join the COC Dance Department in celebration of their 10-year Dance Anniversary. Including past favorites and new dances choreographed and performed by COC students, faculty and guest artists, this concert is one you do not want to miss!

ARTstART

The Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center’s K-12 Arts Education Outreach Program in partnership with the Division of Fine and Performing Arts would like to announce the return of ARTstART! This re-imagined festival of the visual and performing arts will take place on the College of the Canyons campus throughout the 2014-2015 school year. Becoming an ARTstART Patron is easy! You must be 5-18 years old and possess a valid school identification card with picture. Present your school ID at the Art Gallery or Performing Arts Center Box Office prior to attending one of the events listed below to receive your complimentary ticket voucher to that evening’s performance. We hope to see you at one of these performances and at all our Art Gallery openings!
MUSIC OF GARY URWIN
Fri, Oct 24 at 7:30pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
The award-winning Studio Jazz Ensemble and Lab Band with KC Manji, Music Director, will feature the musical arrangements of Gary Urwin, a noted trumpet player and bandleader in the Los Angeles area. Urwin’s band has been featured at the Los Angeles Jazz Festival and he has generously shared many of his unique jazz arrangements with COC in the past.

HOLIDAY JAZZ with guest vocalist Katherine Lench-Meyering
Fri, Dec 5 at 7:30pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
Join us in welcoming the holiday season, as the band performs many of your favorite holiday songs including “Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer,” “Frosty The Snowman,” “O Holy Night”, and many others.

SYMPHONIC JAZZ
Fri, March 27, 2015 at 7:30pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
The Symphony of the Canyons, under the baton of Dr. Paul Sherman and the award-winning Studio Jazz Ensemble and Lab Band, and KC Manji, Music Director join forces to present symphonic music with a touch of jazz! Featuring works of Gershwin, Rodgers and Hammerstein and many others.

POPS! CONCERT
Fri, May 29, 2015 at 7:30pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
The award-winning jazz ensemble concludes their season with many of your pop favorites from the 20th century. Music includes a combination of rock, stage, jazz and pop music from some of your favorite artists and genres.

Symphony of the Canyons
ARTSTART
REJOICE!
Sat, Oct. 18 at 7:30pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
Three of College of the Canyons finest ensembles combine to present a concert of High Baroque Master Works. Symphony of the Canyons, under the direction of Dr. Paul Sherman, and both Voices of the Canyons and the College of the Canyons Chamber Singers, under the direction of conductor Lori Marie Rios, present Vivaldi’s stirring “Gloria” and J.S. Bach’s sublime motet “Komm, Jesu, Komm.”

BAROQUE CLASSICS
Sat, Dec. 6 at 7:30pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
Symphony of the Canyons and the Santa Clarita Youth Orchestra Foundation’s Orchestra and Prelude Strings present a concert of Baroque Classics to start your holiday season. Come hear and support Santa Clarita’s finest young musicians in a concert for the entire family.

SPRING CLASSICS
Sat, May 30, 2015 at 7:30pm
Main Stage
$10/$5
Symphony of the Canyons, with the Santa Clarita Youth Orchestra Foundation’s Orchestra and Prelude Strings, present a concert of Spring Classics. Music will include “Slavonic Dance No. 8” by Antonin Dvorak, “Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun” by Claude Debussy, and “English Folk Song Suite” by R. Vaughan Williams.
FUDDY MEERS  
Fri-Sat, Oct 10-11 and 17-18 at 8pm  
Sun, Oct 12 and 19 at 2pm  
Black Box Theater  
$10/$5  
by David Lindsay-Abaire  
“Fuddy Meers” tells the story of Claire, an amnesiac, who awakens each morning as a blank slate, with no knowledge of who she is. Each day, her husband and son must tell her the facts of her life, which are recorded in a book for Claire to review. One morning Claire is abducted by a man claiming her husband wants to kill her. This is only the beginning of her adventure. It’s one harrowing and hilarious turn after another on this roller coaster ride through the day of an amnesiac trying to decipher her fractured life.  
“a dark, sweet and thoroughly engaging comedy.” – NY Times

THE ILLUSION  
Fri-Sat, Nov 14-15 and 21-22 at 8pm  
Sun, Nov 16 and 23 at 2pm  
Black Box Theater  
$10/$5  
by Tony Kushner  
Pulitzer Prize winner and National Medal of Honor recipient Tony Kushner brings his sophisticated style and breathtaking language to the French Baroque’s most powerful romance. “The Illusion” follows a father seeking news of his prodigal son from a sorcerer. The magician conjures three episodes from the young man’s life. Inexplicably, each scene finds the boy in a slightly different world: names change, allegiances shift and fairy-tale simplicity evolves into elegant tragedy.  
“THE ILLUSION takes us into territory on which theater thrives: fantasy, witchcraft, transceded place and time...”  
— Sylvie Drake, LA Times

NEXT FALL  
Fri-Sat, Mar 20-21 and 27-28, 2015 at 8pm  
Sun, Mar 22 and 29 at 2pm  
Black Box Theater  
$10/$5  
by Geoffrey Nauffts  
Luke believes in God. Adam believes in everything else. Geoffrey Nauffts’ “Next Fall” takes a witty and provocative look at faith, commitment and unconditional love. While the play’s central story focuses on the five-year relationship between Adam and Luke, “Next Fall” goes beyond a typical love story. This timely and compelling new American play forces us all to examine what it means to “believe” and what it might cost us not to.  
“The funniest heartbreaker in town!”– NY Times

Recommended for Mature Audiences  
Includes language and situations some patrons may consider offensive. Some material unsuitable for children under 17. Children under the age of 5 are not allowed in the theater.
LEGALLY BLONDE: The Musical
Fri-Sat, May 1-2 and 8-9, 2015 at 8pm
Sun, May 3 and 10 at 2pm
Main Stage
$12/$7
Harvard’s beloved blonde takes the stage by pink storm in this fun, upbeat musical about self-discovery. Based on the adored movie, “Legally Blonde: The Musical” stays true to form with a peppy score and playful book. Elle Woods appears to have it all. Her life is turned upside-down, however, when her boyfriend dumps her so he can start getting serious about his life and attend Harvard Law. Determined to get him back, Elle uses her charm to get into Harvard Law. At school, she struggles with peers, professors, and Warner Hunting-ton. With the help of Paulette and Emmett, though, Elle quickly realizes her potential and sets out to prove herself to the world.

“Ridiculously enjoyable from start to finish.”
-The Independent

ARTS AROUND CAMPUS

COC MUSIC: Casual Concert Hour
The COC Music department launches a new series featuring casual and breezy concerts, that will lift your spirits and brighten your afternoon!

THE JOEY SELLERS TRIO
Wed, Sept 10 at 3pm
Pico Canyon Hall, Room 209
Free; Limited Seating
Our first concert features the highly regarded jazz trombonist, Joey Sellers and his trio. An accomplished composer in both jazz and classical idioms, Sellers has written for Doc Severinsen, the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra and several works commissioned by the St. Louis Brass.

DAVID BURNHAM
Wed, Nov 5 at 3pm
Pico Canyon Hall, Room 209
Free; Limited Seating
David Burnham was last seen on Broadway in the mega-hit musical, “Wicked,” playing Fiyero, a role that he originated in the developmental workshops of the show. He is an original Broadway cast member of the musical “The Light In The Piazza,” performing both on the Tony Awards and the PBS telecast “Live From Lincoln Center.” David performs with symphonies all over the country and his solo concert has been seen in the United States, Canada, and Europe. He has recorded two solo albums, his self-titled CD and “One Day.”
ARTS AROUND CAMPUS

COC MUSIC: ELECTRONICA MUSIQUE & MULTI-MEDIA CONCERT
Wed, Dec 3, at 8pm
Black Box Theater
Free Admission!
Join us for an evening of the most innovative music, dance, and multi-media.

COC THEATRE: SOLOPALOOZA
Wed-Thurs, Dec 10-11 at 7:30pm
Studio Theatre S-130
Free Admission!
Original, provocative and entertaining solo shows written and performed by COC theatre students.

COC MUSIC: CHANCELLOR’S CABARET PRESENTS THE HOLIDAY CABARETS
HOLIDAY MOONGLOW
Fri, Dec 12, at 6:30 and 8:30pm
Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center Lobby
All Seats $15 (includes delicious holiday treats)
The Chancellor’s Cabaret Series presents Holiday Moonglow, an evening that will shine, shimmer, and bedazzle as COC’s award-winning vocal jazz choirs House Blend and Just Jazz light up the night with the very best arrangements of your favorite holiday and familiar jazz standards, as well as some fresh, new swingin’ standards.

A TOUCH OF FROST
Sat, Dec 13, at 5 and 7:30pm
Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center Lobby
All Seats $15 (includes delicious holiday treats)
The Chancellor’s Holiday Cabaret concludes by featuring the Chamber Singers and Voices of the Canyons in a winter celebration with a joyous presentation of holiday choral music. Songs will include music from many traditions for an evening of yuletide song. Don’t miss this cheerful evening of holiday music paired with a traditional holiday wassail.

COC THEATRE: NEW WORKS FESTIVAL
Tomorrow’s playwrights – today!
Thurs-Sat, Apr 23-25, 2015 at 8pm
Sun, Apr 26 at 2pm
Studio Theatre (STCN-130)
All Seats $5
Presented by the Theatre and English departments at College of the Canyons, the New Works Festival 2015 marks the 15th year of this critically acclaimed event! Featuring the face of new and often experimental theater, and open to submissions from the Santa Clarita Valley and beyond, the New Works Festival takes works in progress from unheralded playwrights and puts them on the stage.

Recommended for Mature Audiences
Includes language and situations some patrons may consider offensive. Some material unsuitable for children under 17. Children under the age of 5 are not allowed in the theater.

For ticket information, please visit “Upcoming Productions” at www.canyons.edu/departments/theatre/
COC MUSIC: CHANCELLOR’S CABARET PRESENTS THE SPRING CABARETS

A SALUTE TO THE GREAT AMERICAN SONGBOOK
Fri, May 15, 2015 at 6:30 and 8:30pm
Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center Lobby
All Seats $15 (includes delicious desserts)
Treat yourself to an evening of vocal jazz standards from some of the most popular Broadway musicals showcasing composers like Harold Arlen, Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Burton Lane, Frank Loesser and many more.

JUKE BOX
Sat, May 16, 2015 at 5pm and 7pm
Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center Lobby
All Seats $15 (includes delicious desserts)
What song has touched your life? Audience members provide their favorite selections along with personal reflection and musings. Join the Voices of the Canyons and Chamber Singers as we reflect on individual and collective human experiences.

MAY SUN: PUBLIC WORKS
Sept 2 – Oct 9
Reception: Tues, Sept 2 from 4-7pm
May Sun is considered one of the pre-eminent artists working in the public art field. Recently commissioned by The Smithsonian, she has completed numerous projects in Los Angeles, Boston, Minneapolis, San Antonio, as well as private commissions.

JOE FORKAN: THE LEBOWSKI CYCLE
Oct 28 – Dec 4
Reception: Tues, Oct 28 from 4-7pm
Joe Forkan is a nationally recognized painter who has exhibited throughout the United States. He currently teaches painting at California State University, Fullerton. This exhibition features paintings inspired by the cult classic movie, “The Big Lebowski.”

MICHAEL DAVIS: TDTESS
Feb 17 – Mar 26, 2015
Reception: Tues, Feb 17 from 4-7pm
Michael Davis has a lengthy resume detailing many public and private commissions. The series of works for this exhibition deal with pivotal moments in history such as Sputnik and the Kennedy assassination.

BERNARDO FELDMAN: IN RED AND BLACK
Apr 14 – Apr 30, 2015
Reception: Tues, Apr 14 from 2-4pm
Built around Mr. Feldman’s score, “In Red and Black,” this exhibition will feature the hand-written score as well as visual artworks created by COC art students in response to this work. This exhibition is a collaboration between the COC Art and Music departments.

19th ANNUAL STUDENT EXHIBITION
May 12 – May 28, 2015
Reception: Tues, May 12 from 2-4pm
Please note that dates are subject to change. Please confirm with the Art Gallery as exhibitions near.
www.canyons.edu/artgallery
ESCAPE THEATRE

ANNIE
Fri, Feb 6, 2015 at 7pm
Sat-Sun, Feb 7-8 at 2 and 7pm
Have you ever seen 150 orphans singing their hearts out for you? You won’t want to miss this family-friendly musical. Join Annie and her orphan friends, as she finds the wondrous and magical world of NYC, and escapes from evil Ms. Hannigan. ESCAPE with Annie in her adventures with Sandy, the street boys, Hoovevillians, Mr. Warbucks, Grace and all of his servants, as well as President Roosevelt! You are sure to enjoy great musical numbers such as “Maybe,” “Tomorrow,” “Easy Street,” “NYC,” “Hooveville,” and “Smile,” when you see all of these kids performing.

THE SOUND OF MUSIC
Fri, June 19, 2015 at 7pm
Sat-Sun, June 20-21 at 2 and 7pm
The Sound of Music was destined to become the world’s most beloved musical! Join Maria and the seven Von Trapp children as they experience Austria, singing so many popular tunes. “Do-Re-Mi,” “My Favorite things,” “The Hills Are Alive,” “Climb Every Mountain,” and “The Lonely Goatherd!” Enjoy more than 250 talented singers and dancers in this production, as it is one of the most thrilling and inspirational musicals ever presented in the theatre.

Call the ESCAPE office at 661-299-5264 for your ticket reservations, or visit www.escapetheatre.org for more information.

SANTA CLARITA BALLET

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
Sat, Sept 13 at 7:30pm
Sun, Sept 14 at 2pm
The romantic fairy tale of a devoted daughter who agrees to live with a hideous Beast in order to spare her father’s life. Love conquers all as Beauty’s growing trust and fondness for the Beast removes his curse and transforms him into a handsome young man. Set to the impressionistic themes of early 20th century composers Maurice Ravel, Claude Debussy and Jaques Fauré.

20th ANNIVERSARY PERFORMANCE OF THE NUTCRACKER
Sat, Dec 20 at 2 and 7:30pm
Sun, Dec 21 at 2 and 7pm
In their 20th Anniversary performance of “The Nutcracker,” the Santa Clarita Ballet presents a classic program and favorite holiday tradition for Santa Clarita families and patrons of the arts from all over Southern California. The Santa Clarita Ballet beautifully illustrates E.T.A. Hoffman’s timeless story of “The Nutcracker,” complete with beloved characters, magical staging, exquisite costumes, and the recognizable composition by Peter Tchaikovsky.

THE LITTLE MERMAID
Sat, June 13, 2015 at 2 and 7:30pm
Adapted from Hans Christian Anderson’s original story, this ballet tells the story of a young princess and prince from two very different worlds. The mermaid princess leaves her underwater paradise and meets a handsome prince on the surface. As the story continues she has to decide how much she is willing to sacrifice for her newfound love.

For tickets, please call the Santa Clarita Ballet Company box office at 661-251-0366, or visit www.santaclaritaballet.net for more information.
SANTA CLARITA REGIONAL THEATRE

SHREK, THE MUSICAL
Sat, Aug 2, 9, 16 and 23 at 8pm
Sun, Aug 3, 10, 17 and 24 at 2pm

Based on the Oscar®-winning DreamWorks film that started it all, “Shrek, The Musical” brings the hilarious story of everyone’s favorite ogre to dazzling new life on the stage. Full of all-new songs, “Shrek, The Musical” is part romance, part twisted fairy tale and all irreverent fun for everyone!

Please call the Santa Clarita Regional Theatre/Canyon Theatre Guild box office at 661-799-2702 for tickets.

SANTA CLARITA MASTER CHORALE

A BRITISH HOLIDAY
Sun, Dec 14 at 4pm

From lofty cathedrals and cozy manor houses to the lively London streets of Charles Dickens’ carolers, our annual holiday concert will celebrate English choral music from all ages, including beloved British composer John Rutter’s exuberant “Gloria.”

MOZART: REQUIEM
Sun, Mar 15, 2015 at 4pm

The Chorale presents Mozart’s final choral composition, the “Requiem Mass in D.” Although it was left uncompleted at the time of his death and the authorship of its final version is still shrouded in mystery, this requiem remains one of the most beloved masterworks for choir and orchestra. Don’t miss this immortal classic!

“DEFYING GRAVITY” WITH SPECIAL GUEST STEPHEN SCHWARTZ
Sun, May 31, 2015 at 4pm

The Santa Clarita Master Chorale is proud to present: “Defying Gravity” with special guest Stephen Schwartz! This award-winning Broadway and film composer will be in concert with the Chorale for one performance only. From “Wicked,” “Godspell,” and “Pippin,” to “Pocahontas” and “The Prince of Egypt,” we celebrate the incredible music written by Stephen Schwartz.

For ticket information, please go to www.scmasterchorale.org or call 661-362-5304.
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Become a member of the Patrons of the Performing Arts at College of the Canyons!

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Visit www.canyonsPAC.com and click on the POPA link, or call the COC Foundation at (661) 362-3434.
College of the Canyons Chancellor Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook greets country music icon Willie Nelson prior to his April 2014 concert in the PAC. Joining her are Board of Trustee member Bruce Fortine (l) and Santa Clarita Councilmember Bob Kellar (r).

2014-15
Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center
K-12 Arts Education OUTREACH SEASON

Celebrating another exciting season with bus-in shows, family programs, master classes, residencies and special school assemblies designed for the K-12 community. Learn how your child’s school can partner with College of the Canyons to create an unforgettable arts experience.

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Thank You to our Arts Education Outreach Sponsors:
There are 3 easy ways to purchase tickets:

Order online at www.canyonsPAC.com

Visit the Box Office in person

Call (661) 362-5304

Online purchasers can print tickets at home.

Box Office hours are:
Monday through Friday, 10am-5pm, and two hours prior to Main Stage show times; one hour prior to Black Box show times.
If paying by cash, please help facilitate ticket purchases by using bills no larger than $50. For credit card purchases, only Visa and MasterCard are accepted.
Ticket fees: $2/online; $3 in person and by phone.

TICKETS ON SALE MON, JULY 7, 10am

Create your own series of five or more shows and receive a discount.
• Buy 20 or more “COC Presents” shows and receive a 20% discount.
• Buy 10 or more shows and receive a 15% discount.
• Buy 5 or more shows and receive a 10% discount.

Ticket orders will be mailed approximately two to three weeks prior to the date of performance. There is no fee for mailings.
Will call tickets can be picked up at the Box Office window two hours prior to Main Stage shows, one hour prior to Black Box shows. A photo ID of ticket purchaser is required.
Contact the Box Office for information on charges and fees.

If buying a subscription to five or more shows, patrons may not have the same seats for all shows selected. Only subscribers may exchange tickets for shows of equal or greater value (additional costs for exchanged shows may be incurred). At the time of subscription purchase, a $10 processing fee per subscription will be charged.

Please note: Purchasers of “COC Presents” subscriptions may buy Arts on Campus shows (Dance, Music and Theatre) for $5 per ticket and the Main Stage musical for $6 per ticket (a 50% discount).

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DID YOU KNOW?
• Groups of 10 or more receive ticket discounts.
• Gift certificates in any amount may be purchased at the Box Office.
• Accessible seating is available — inform the Box Office if needed.
• Enhanced listening devices are available.
• Snacks are available in the PAC lobby.
• Beer and wine are sold at select performances.
• Only bottled water is allowed in the theatre.
Tier 1 – Green
Tier 2 – Orange
Tier 3 – Purple

For information on accessible seating options, please contact the Box Office at 661-362-5304.
Like most good things, the Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center started with a dream.

For years, rising stars came to our community to study music, dance, theater and the arts, but had to travel to Los Angeles or further to take center stage. However, a strong vision and years of planning came together in 2004 when College of the Canyons and its community partners opened this remarkable facility. This year, as we commemorate 10 years of concerts, comedy, and memorable performances, we want to acknowledge and thank everyone who had a hand in transforming this dream into reality.

It’s going to be hard to top the last decade, but if there’s one thing we’re sure of, the best is yet to come.

Sincerely,
The Santa Clarita City Council
The Venue:
The $18.3-million facility boasts a spectacular proscenium theater with a state-of-the-art sound system and 886 seats, as well as an experimental Black Box theater. Funded by the State of California ($15.9 million) and the City of Santa Clarita ($2.4 million), the center features instructional, community and professional entertainment and informational programs. Designed with a green room, scene shops, costume and property storage, orchestra pit, make-up/dressing room areas, lockers, showers, ticket booth and snack bar, the Performing Arts Center is a one-of-a-kind performance destination for community members in the Santa Clarita Valley.

Box Office & Patron Services Information:
The PAC Box Office is located at the venue (north end of lobby) and is accessed from the outside through ticket windows. Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 10am-5pm. The PAC Box Office will also open two hours prior to show time, except for Black Box events which are one hour prior to show time. Contact the Box Office by phone at 661-362-5304, fax at 661-362-5310, or email at boxoffice@canyons.edu. Note: Please do not submit ticket orders by email.

Group Sales:
• 10 to 24 people receive a 10% discount off regular ticket price.
• 25 to 49 people receive a 15% discount off regular ticket price.
• 50 and more people receive a 20% discount off regular ticket price. Please visit the website or contact the Box Office for additional information.

RUSH Tickets:
A limited number of discounted RUSH tickets for students, educators, military personnel, emergency service providers, and seniors (age 60 and above) will be available the evening of specified shows. Please check the website or call the Box Office for additional RUSH ticket information.

Gift Certificates:
Gift certificates may be purchased through the Box Office in any amount and are redeemable for COC Presents and Arts on Campus (college productions) performances, depending on seating available at time of redemption.

Accessibility:
The Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center has been constructed to accommodate attendance for people with accessibility requirements. Accessible seating is available on the main floor in the Orchestra seating section of Rows E or P and is accessible by an elevator. Please contact the Box Office for additional information and to purchase accessible seating. Patrons requesting assistance for the hearing impaired should contact the Box Office at least two weeks in advance of your scheduled performance.

Location:
The Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center is located on the College of the Canyons Valencia campus at:
26455 Rockwell Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Directions:
From the south, take Interstate 5 north to Valencia Boulevard. At the third light (counting the off-ramp light) turn right onto Rockwell Canyon Road. Enter the college at the electronic marquee situated opposite the Performing Arts Center (the fourth parking lot entrance on the right).

From the north, take Interstate 5 south to Valencia Boulevard (just past Magic Mountain). Turn left onto Valencia Boulevard. At the fourth light (counting the off-ramp light) turn right onto Rockwell Canyon Road. Enter the college at the electronic marquee situated opposite the Performing Arts Center (the fourth parking lot entrance on the right).

Parking:
College of the Canyons has ample parking for all events held on its campus. For performances on Monday through Friday evenings, parking is not available in Lots 1, 2 or 3 until after 7 p.m. However, for evening performances Monday through Friday, parking is available in Lots 4, 5, 6 or 7 one hour prior to the scheduled event time. For performances on Saturday or Sunday, parking is available in Lots 1 through 7 starting two hours prior to event time and until two hours after the event ends. Please keep in mind that Campus Safety personnel will enforce parking rules when any car is parked at red curbs, in accessible spaces without the proper permit, outside of a designated space, in front of a doorway or in a construction site. Please visit the website or contact the Box Office for additional information.

Black Box Theater:
The Black Box Theater, located on the northwest end of the PAC, is a unique “flexible seating” venue featuring new and experimental productions. Due to the nature of the venue, the exact number of seats available for performances is often not known until closer to opening night. Therefore, a limited number of seats will be placed on sale at the beginning of the season until the exact seating count has been confirmed by the technical staff. All seating in the Black Box Theater is General Admission – on a first-come first-served basis.

Suitable for Youth:
Performances throughout the season represent a wide range of artistic expression and audience appeal. While many performances may be appropriate for younger children, it is always best to read the event description and content notes of every performance so you can make the best decision for your family and children. Children ages 2 and older will require a ticket for entrance. Some shows may not be suitable for children under 2.

Volunteer Ushers:
We continue to have opportunities for volunteers to serve on our Front of House team. As a volunteer, you get to see the performance you are ushering and earn credits toward free tickets to see upcoming productions! To volunteer, please visit our website at canyons.edu/offices/PIO/CanyonsPAC/contact.html, contact the Volunteer Usher Program at 661-362-5306, or email at patronservices@canyons.edu.
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