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Northridge Center Hosts Assistive Technologies Conference

Center on Disabilities-Sponsored Event is the Largest of its Kind in the World 2002

Several thousand people are expected to gather next week for a six-day conference sponsored by Cal State Northridge that will focus on how assistive technologies can help people with disabilities, the largest event of its kind in the world.

The 17th annual international conference on "Technology and Persons with Disabilities" will occupy two large hotels near Los Angeles International Airport from Monday, March 18 through Saturday, March 23. The event will draw educators and others who deal with disabilities from all 50 states and some 35 different countries.

"This conference is synonymous with the field of disabilities and technology. This conference is the biggest and the most international of its kind in the world," said Harry (Bud) Rizer, director of the Center on Disabilities (right), which produces the conference.

Assistive technologies are those that help people with disabilities (blind, deaf, communicative, cognitive and movement impaired) function better in their daily lives. Conference session categories will include accessing the Internet, assistive technologies for K-12 and postsecondary educators, workplace accommodations, and blind/low vision issues.

The conference will begin Monday and Tuesday with 33 different preconference workshops, for which participants for the first time can receive continuing education units (CEUs). Then the main portion of the conference will be held Wednesday through Saturday, with more than 300 presentations scheduled.

Gregg Vanderheiden, a pioneer in the field of augmentative communication and assistive technology, will give the conference's keynote address at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday in the International Ballroom of the Hilton Los Angeles Airport Hotel. The conference also is occupying the Los Angeles Airport Marriott Hotel.

Many Cal State Northridge students also will be attending as part of their classes, including nearly 225 from the university's Special Education Department, which prepares future special education teachers. Rizer said the center for the first time is fully subsidizing the conference registration costs for those students.

The conference will include a "Web Playroom" at the Marriott from Tuesday through Friday where participants can
sample the latest in accessible software. On Thursday and Friday, Microsoft Corp. is sponsoring "In Our Own Words" at the Marriott, where 16 people will share their personal success stories with assistive technologies.

The conference also will feature exhibit halls featuring products and services from more than 150 exhibitors from Wednesday to Saturday.

The university's Center on Disabilities provides assistive technology services and other forms of academic accommodations to CSUN students, offers seminars and hosts the annual conference. More information and registration details are available from the Northridge center at www.csun.edu/cod.
CSU and CFA Reach Tentative Agreement for Pay Raises

After bargaining for nearly a year, the California State University system and the California Faculty Association have agreed on terms for a tentative three-year agreement, including a 2 percent faculty salary increase for each fiscal year, 2001-02 and 2002-03, and additional selected raises for 2002-03.

The agreement is subject to ratification by the CFA membership and approval by the CSU Board of Trustees. The agreement runs through June 30, 2004.

"We are very pleased to have reached an agreement that is mutually acceptable, and continues to provide competitive salary increases and benefits for faculty as well as part-time lecturers," said CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed. "The trustees and the administration very much wanted to compensate the faculty for the outstanding work they do in providing high-quality education to CSU students."

"This agreement reflects an important turn-around after months of bargaining. I congratulate everyone who worked on it for their persistence and hard work," said CFA President Susan Meisenhelder.

Michael Reagan, president of the CFA chapter at Northridge, said campus faculty bargaining unit members can vote on the agreement from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, March 18-21, in the lobby of the Oviatt Library.

Reagan said Northridge voting will occur in the second week of the two-week period of voting at CSU campuses statewide. The tentative agreement will be accepted or rejected by a simple majority of those voting. Reagan said the systemwide result could be known by Friday, March 22 or Monday, March 25.

The tentative agreement for faculty bargaining unit members includes:

**Compensation**

- A 2 percent general salary increase, effective April 1, 2002 (from fiscal year budget 2001-02).
- A 2.65 percent Service Salary Increase (SSI) for eligible faculty members, effective June 30, 2002 (FY 2002-03).
- A 2 percent general salary increase, effective July 1, 2002 (FY budget 2002-03).
- A 2.65 percent Service Salary Increase, effective June 30, 2003 (FY 2003-04).
- A 2.65 percent Service Salary Increase, effective June 30, 2004 (FY 2004-05).
- Contingent on a 3.5 percent negotiated settlement for fiscal year 2003-04, 25 percent of the settlement will be for a merit pay program that will be jointly developed.
- On June 30, 2002, a 7 percent pay increase will go to department chairs.
- On June 30, 2002, counselors will receive salary increases that will place them on the instructional faculty salary schedule. The raises will vary by classification.
Lecturers

- Those with six years of continuous service will receive automatic three-year contracts that can be renewed upon review, provided there is work available.
- Lecturers will be given first preference for available new courses, provided they are qualified to teach them.
- Health benefits for certain lecturers will be provided in two steps, with the first group receiving them beginning June 30, 2002, and the second group on June 30, 2003. Year Round Operations
- Faculty compensation for committee work and additional duties will be provided beginning with summer 2004 at year-round campuses.
- Other issues related to year-round operations will be discussed by the two parties between now and 2004.

Workload

- The CSU will undertake about 1,200 new faculty searches in 2002-03. Currently, the CSU initiates about 1,000 new searches per year.
- Further discussions of workload issues will take place during contract re-opener sessions in 2003-04.
- The parties agreed that a higher ratio of tenure-track faculty is beneficial to the quality of education for students.

The 2 percent increase for faculty for 2001-02 is the same percentage agreed to by all other CSU unions, and also is what CSU administrators received.

The tentative agreement came after a three-day fact-finding hearing, completed in mid-February, and continued negotiations thereafter that concluded in the early morning hours of March 2.

If the agreement is ratified by the CFA membership, it will be presented to the CSU Board of Trustees for approval at the May board meeting.

The CSU is the largest system of senior higher education in the country, with 23 campuses, nearly 400,000 students and 42,000 faculty and staff. Since the system was created in 1960, it has awarded about 2 million degrees. The CFA is the exclusive collective bargaining representative for CSU faculty, and represents tenure-track faculty, lecturers, librarians and counselors.
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Task Force Seeks to Improve Student Graduation Rates

Panel Asks for Campus Feedback by April 12 Prior to Issuing Final Report in June

Responding to a request from President Jolene Koester, a Cal State Northridge task force has issued a report for campus review that makes 14 recommendations for improving student graduation rates through changes in course requirements, advising and instructional support.

The report, widely disseminated on campus earlier this month, is the product of nearly a year's work by a 23-member Graduation Rates Task Force that was co-chaired by Provost Louanne Kennedy and Faculty President Michael Neubauer, and included AS President Tari Hunter and a wide range of faculty and administrators.

The task force issued its findings as a preliminary final report, asking campus community members for feedback to Kennedy or Neubauer no later than Friday, April 12. The task force then plans to meet in April to review campus comments and prepare a final report for distribution in June.

"Students sacrifice a lot to come here," said Provost Kennedy. "Many take out student loans, they work hard and they make personal sacrifices. We need to make sure we do everything we can to ensure that they graduate in a timely fashion."

Faculty President Neubauer added, "Given that only 2.7 percent of our entering freshmen graduate in four years and less than 30 percent do so in six years, it was essential that the task force make recommendations that speak to the institutional obstacles to graduation." Neubauer said he hoped the report would spur "a lively and informed discussion."

Vice Provost Philip Handler said the task force recommendations, once final, will be reviewed by the appropriate campus consultative groups, such as the faculty Educational Policies Committee. The full report document can be downloaded from the university's web site at www.csun.edu/academic.affairs/grtf.htm. The main recommendations follow:

Policy Sub-Committee Recommendations

1. For every major, departments will develop the following semester-by-semester plans to graduation:
   - For first time freshmen, a sample four-year plan and a sample five-year plan to graduation that will include general education, required courses in the major, and electives.
   - For transfer students who are GE certified and satisfy the lower division requirements of the major, a sample two-year plan and a sample three-year plan to graduation that will include Upper Division GE, required courses in the major, and electives.

2. A student may not normally repeat a course for grade forgiveness if the student received a grade of "C" or better
in the course.
3. Prior to a third enrollment in the same course, the student must obtain permission from the appropriate Associate Dean to enroll.
4. Double counting of GE breadth courses to include one Upper Division GE course in the major.
5. The total number of units in General Education (including Title V) will be reduced to 45 units and majors will require no more than 45 units. There may be a waiver if professional accreditation requires more units.
6. Departments should explore modifying their upper-division required and elective courses in their majors from three-unit to four-unit courses. The number of classroom contact hours would remain at three hours while the unit count would be four units.

Advisement Sub-Committee Recommendations

1. Develop and implement strategies to insure consistency and accuracy of advisement.
2. Develop and implement an advising pathway that guides students from admissions to graduation.
3. Develop and implement additional delivery systems for advising.
4. Integrate career exploration and development with major selection and advising.

Pedagogy Sub-Committee Recommendations

1. Promote efforts in teaching to enhance student involvement and hence student success by rewarding faculty who demonstrate effective, instructional improvement strategies.
2. Identify courses where significant numbers of students get poor grades. Provide support for development of additional effective instructional strategies in courses in which a large number of students perform poorly.
3. Create formal and informal forums and other opportunities for faculty and other members of the campus community to share ideas about best teaching and learning practices.
4. Identify courses in which supplemental instruction can be used to improve student success.
Countrywide Gift Creates Endowed Finance Professorship

Countrywide Credit Industries, best known for its subsidiary Countrywide Home Loans, has donated $300,000 to Cal State Northridge for the creation of an endowed professorship in the Department of Finance, Real Estate and Insurance.

The donation by Countrywide, the nation's leading independent residential mortgage lender, will create the first endowed professorship in the College of Business and Economics. Payable over five years, the donation will help the Finance Department recruit and retain top faculty, enhance an existing program and/or attract distinguished visiting scholars.

The Calabasas-based company has many Cal State Northridge business alumni among its executives, including Stanford Kurland, executive managing director and chief operating officer for the parent company, and president and chief executive officer for its main home loans subsidiary.

"Assisting in the creation of the endowed professorship at CSUN aptly coincides with Countrywide's ongoing community involvement and active philanthropic efforts," said Anne McCallion, Countrywide's managing director and chief administrative officer.

Judy Knudson, Northridge vice president for university advancement, called Countrywide's gift a wonderful partnership that will benefit both organizations and particularly the university's students.

"It provides a wonderful opportunity for the university to enhance educational opportunities in the Department of Finance, while continuing to cement our efforts to reach out to the community," Knudson said.

William Jennings, chair of the Finance, Real Estate and Insurance Department, said faculty members are looking forward to the creation of the Countrywide Endowed Professorship in Finance and Real Estate.

"Everyone in the department is very, very excited about the endowed professorship and to be working with Countrywide," Jennings said.

Founded in 1969, Countrywide Credit Industries, Inc. (NYSE), is a member of the S&P 500 and Forbes 500. The company provides consumer and business-to-business financial products and services in domestic and international markets.

The company is headquartered in Calabasas (www.countrywide.com) and has more than 15,000 employees spread among more than 550 offices.

Northridge's College of Business and Economics, the university's largest college, serves more than 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students, and is one of the 10 largest undergraduate business programs in the U.S.
FYI

For Your Information publishes announcements of public meetings, notices, classes and courses of interest to the university community. The deadline for submitting items generally is noon on Monday, one week before the issue appears.

The deadline for the April 2 issue is Mon., March 25.

We strive to include all items submitted by deadline occurring during the two-week period until the next issue. Items further in advance will be run on a space-available basis. Submit future items by e-mailing them to pubinfo@exec.csun.edu, sending them to mail drop 8242 or faxing them to (818) 677-4909. E-mail is the preferred method of submitting.

Note: fmi—means for more information.

Public Meetings

University Planning and Budget Group

The Mon., March 11 meeting has been cancelled.

Educational Resources Committee

Meets 2-4 p.m. Tue., March 12 in Oviatt Library, room 372.

University Foundation Board of Directors

Meets 6 p.m. Wed., March 13 at the University Club. Please call x4197 for reservations and additional information.

Faculty Senate

Meets 2-4:30 p.m. Thu., March 14 in the Oviatt Library presentation room, lower level, west wing, room 81.

Educational Policies Committee
Meet 2-4 p.m. Wed., March 20 in University Hall 211.

**Univ. Corp. Executive Committee**

Meets 3:30 p.m. Wed., March 20 in University Hall 250.

**Faculty Senate Executive Committee**

Meets 1-5 p.m. Thu., March 21 in University Hall 277.

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**Notices**

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**Pre-Doctoral Program**

The Office of Graduate Studies announces the 2002-2003 California Pre-Doctoral Program open to upper division undergraduate and master's degree students enrolled at a Cal State institution as of spring 2002 who will be enrolled for at least one term of the 2002-2003 academic year. Successful candidates will receive $2,000 to travel to doctoral-granting institutions and attend conferences in their academic discipline, funds for memberships in professional organizations, graduate school applications and test fees, and have the opportunity to apply for a fully funded summer internship. Each applicant must have a faculty mentor who will be available for the duration of the plan specified in the application. Mentors will receive $1,000. Applications are available at the Graduate Office web page [www.csun.edu/graduate](http://www.csun.edu/graduate) studies. Applications are due in the Graduate Office by Fri., March 29. fmi-Hedy Carpenter, x2138.

**Employee of the Year**

The Employee of the Year Award recognizes a staff employee who has made significant contributions to the university. Eligible employees include those of the University Corporation, University Student Union, Associated Students and any staff member who has been employed half-time or more for a minimum of two years and has maintained a satisfactory or better work record. Faculty and employees in the Management Personnel Plan are not eligible. A staff member may be nominated for this award by any supervisor or manager to whom the employee directly or indirectly reports, or by staff or faculty who have direct knowledge of the employee's performance. All nominations must be completed and submitted to Stacy Edwards, mail drop 8229, by Tue., April 2.

**Department Chair Appointment**

Provost Louanne Kennedy has announced the appointment of William (Tim) Dagodag, as chair of the Department of Urban Studies and Planning, effective Wed., Aug. 21, 2002 for a three-year term.

**Available Furniture and Equipment**

Asset Management has a web page that lists available furniture and equipment for campus use. For possible furniture and equipment needs, visit [www-admn.csun.edu/asset/available.html](http://www-admn.csun.edu/asset/available.html). The items will be listed for two weeks.

**Diet Analysis Services**

The Marilyn Magaram Center for Food Science, Nutrition and Dietetics invites students, faculty and staff to learn more about their nutritional intake through diet analysis. Diet analysis interns will provide a detailed profile of your diet.
Services to students, faculty and staff are provided at a discounted rate of $5, while community members pay $10. Pick up forms at the Marilyn Magaram Center, Sequoia Hall, first floor, room 120.

Nutritional Support Group

A nutritional support group for faculty and staff will be held from noon-1 p.m. every Wednesday in the conference room on the second floor of the Student Health Center. Topics to be discussed are weight loss, good fats versus bad fats, trigger foods, portion control, smart dining in restaurants and anything else that interests you. fmi-x3690.

Suicide and Depression Prevention

Para-professional and peer educators are available to give presentations on the prevention of suicide and depression to classes, clubs and organizations. The presentations are 30-40 minutes, but can be modified according to the needs of faculty. To schedule a presentation, contact Marshall Bloom or Tamara Klumpe, x2366, marshall.bloom@csun.edu or tamara.klumpe@csun.edu.

CSUN Observatory

The Physics and Astronomy Department invites the campus community to visit the CSUN Observatory from 7-10 p.m. every Wednesday. See the wonders of the winter sky through the observatory's 14-inch f/10 telescope and see the CCD camera in action from 9-10 p.m. The observatory is located between East University Drive and Bertrand Street, west of the Student Health Center.

Events

Association of Retired Faculty

The Association of Retired Faculty invites the campus community to its third meeting of the school year from 2-4 p.m. Tue., March 12, at the University Club, Lamb's Lounge. Guest speaker Barry Boscoe, certified financial planner from the Brighton Advisory Group, will speak about "Financial Planning in Tricky Times." fmi-Al Baca, x7848.

Anthropology Lecture

The Anthropology Department, with funding from the Distinguished Visiting Speakers Program, is sponsoring a lecture titled "The Last Neanderthals and the Origin of Modern Humans." 4 p.m. Tue., March 12 in Sierra Hall, Whitsett Room, fourth floor, room 451. The guest speaker will be João Zilhão, a University of Lisbon archaeology professor now serving as the director of antiquities of Portugal.

Faculty CELT Program

The Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching is offering the following programs to faculty members:

- Teaching with Technology:
  2-3:30 p.m. Tue., March 12, Sierra Hall, fourth floor, room 439.
- Writing Across the Curriculum-II: Incorporating Writing into Course Content:
  12:30-2 p.m. Tue., March 19, Sierra Hall, fourth floor, room 439.
- Faculty and Student Scholarship in a dot.com World:
  12:30-2 p.m. Tue., April 2, Oviatt Library, first floor, west wing, lab C. fmi-Kelly Kroeker, x6536 or kelly.kroeker@csun.edu.
Brown Bag Colloquium

The Center for the Study of Crime and Criminal Justice, as part of the Brown Bag Colloquium Series, is sponsoring a presentation titled "Drugs, Crime, and Post-Traumatic Stress Symptoms Among Juvenile Offenders." Wed., March 13 from 11 a.m.-noon in Sierra Hall, Whitsett Room, fourth floor, room 451. The speaker will be Susan Crimmins, associate professor of social work and criminal justice and coordinator of the forensic social work program at Cal State Los Angeles. Crimmins also will be available to speak with anyone interested in learning more about her program from noon-12:30 p.m. fmi-x3591 or e-mail vickie.jensen@csun.edu.

Understanding Between the Sexes Forum

Project ACT (Advocates for Cultural Talk), University Counseling Services and the University Student Union present "Why Men Are the Way They Are," 12:30-3:30 p.m. Thu., March 14 at the Performing Arts Center. Guest speaker will be Warren Farrell, expert on male and female dynamics and author of the international bestsellers "Why Men Are the Way They Are" and "Myth of Male Power." Farrell's presentation will be followed by a men's beauty contest and a role reversal date. Admission is free and open to the public. fmi-University Counseling Services, x2366.

Community Service Summit

The Career Center is hosting the university's first Community Service Summit, "Campus and Community: Partners for Progress," on Thu., March 14. The event will bring faculty, students and service program administrators together with local nonprofit organizations, business and government representatives for an important day of exploration and planning. Participants will engage in several workshops and working groups. Speakers from higher education, government organizations and foundations will instruct. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served. The at-the-door fees will be $5 for faculty, staff and students, and $20 for the public. At-the-door fee requires advance registration. fmi-x2871 or commserlearn@csun.edu.

China Institute Lecture

The Center for China Finance and Business Research and the China Institute are hosting a lecture titled "Technology and Innovation Management in China" from 10 a.m.-noon Fri., March 15 in the Business Building, fourth floor, room 4117. Guest lecturer will be Qingrui Xu, chair of the Research Center of Management Science and Strategy at Zhejiang University. fmi-Chao Chen, x4622 or cfcfbr@csun.edu.

Disabilities Conference

The CSUN Center on Disabilities is sponsoring its 17th annual international conference, "Technology and Persons with Disabilities," from Mon. to Sat., March 18-23 at the Hilton Los Angeles Airport and Los Angeles Airport Marriott hotels. Gregg Vanderheiden, a pioneer in the field of augmentative communication and assistive technology, will be the keynote speaker. fmi-Center on Disabilities, x2578, ctrdis@csun.edu or www.csun.edu/cod.

Brown Bag Lunch

As part of the Brown Bag Film Series, the Marilyn Magaram Center presents "Miracles on Your Plate" from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Mon., March 18 and 2-3 p.m. Thu., March 21, in Sequoia Hall, first floor, room 112.

Education Expo

The Career Center is hosting the 2002 annual Education Recruitment Fair for Teachers and Education Professional Staff K-12 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thu., March 21 in the University Student Union, Northridge Center. The recruitment fair gives administrators from many school districts the opportunity to meet and interview qualified CSUN students.
and alumni. School administrators will review resumes and conduct interviews. Alumni may be charged a service fee. fmi- www.csun.edu/career.

Botanic Garden Open House

The College of Extended Learning is sponsoring tours of the university's Botanic Garden from 9-11 a.m. Sat., April 6. Learn about cacti and exotic plants and go through the Botanic Garden greenhouse and the New Zealand native plant garden. Horticulturist Brian Houck will lead the tours. fmi-x2572 or x3496.

Classes

Faculty Computer Workshops

The Office of Undergraduate Studies and Online Instruction is sponsoring faculty computer workshops to facilitate online teaching and learning. All workshops will be held in the faculty lab in Sierra Hall, fourth floor, room 442. Any of the workshops may be taken individually and assume no prior knowledge. Before taking a workshop course, you must sign up for a WebCT account on that particular topic at: www.csun.edu/~webteach/WebCTHelp.html. For reservations, call x6558. The following courses are upcoming:

- Arachnophilia II: 2-3 p.m. Tue., March 12.
- WebCT Quizzes and Grading: 2-3:30 p.m. Thu., March 14.
- WebCT Content and Files: 2-3 p.m. Thu., March 21.

Financial Planning Course

The Office of Human Resource Services is offering a professional development course on Financial Planning from 10-11:30 a.m. Thu., March 14 in the Oviatt Library, garden level, Human Resource training room 16. This class is designed to help you take charge of your financial future and will explore issues in calculating your net worth, saving for retirement, planning for the unexpected, investing, and developing and managing a budget. fmi-x2623.

Youth Speaking Course

A public speaking course for sixth to twelfth graders will be offered this spring by the Communication Studies Department. The six-week course will be held from 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday mornings beginning March 16 in Manzanita Hall, room 122. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis. The fee is $20. For an application and enrollment, call Rebecca Litke, x2407, or e-mail rebecca.litke@csun.edu.

Teacher Training

The College of Extended Learning is offering two courses for those training to be teachers. The first course, "What to Expect as an Elementary Substitute Teacher," will be held on Sat., March 16, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The second course, "Tips for Substitute Teaching in Urban Secondary Schools," will be Sat., April 6, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The fee is $79 per class. fmi-x4618 or e-mail elaine.boulay@csun.edu.

Test Preparation

The College of Extended Learning is offering test preparation classes for those studying to be teachers. The Multiple Subjects Assessment for Teachers (MSAT) review course, ticket number 00308, will be held from 7-10 p.m. beginning Wed., March 20 for six Monday and Wednesday meetings ending on Mon., April 15. The Reading Instruction Competence Assessment (RICA) review course, ticket number 00310, will meet from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. for two meetings.
Sunday, March 17 & 24. fmi-x2786.

Deadlines

Legal Foundation Scholarships

Applications for the 2002 Valley Community Legal Foundation Scholarships are available in the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs in University Hall 310. This year the foundation, at its annual Law Day dinner, will award up to four $1,000 scholarships to CSUN graduating seniors who plan to start law school in fall 2002. Applications are due by Tue., March 19. fmi-x2391.

Clubs & Organizations Awards

Application packets for the 2001-2002 Clubs and Organizations Awards are now available in the Office of Student Development and International Programs. Students can nominate clubs, organizations or individuals in numerous categories. The deadline to submit applications is Wed., April 3 by 4:45 p.m. fmi-Jennifer Mendoza, x2393.

Graduating Seniors Award

Applications for the 2002 Outstanding Graduating Seniors Award are due Fri., April 5. Four students will receive awards of $1,000 each in recognition of academic excellence, overcoming extraordinary personal circumstances and dedication to community and campus service. The awards will be presented at the university's Honors Convocation on Tue., May 28. Applications are available in the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, University Hall 310. fmi-x2391.
CALENDAR

The Associated Students Ticket Office is in the University Student Union sells tickets to many events on campus, excepted for some held by outside groups. The ticket office is open from 9:30 a.m.-5p.m. Mon.-Fri.. For prices not given, call (818) 677-3093, or x2488.

Art

Admission is free unless otherwise specified.

Fashion, Family and Fancy:

The 19th Century Women in Ladies' Magazines and Books An exhibit of ladies' magazines and books from the 19th century in observance of Women's History Month.a
Through Fri., March 29.
Oviatt Library, second floor, east wing.

Mother, Weep No More

Ceramic sculptures by Sean Beard and hand stitched textiles by members of the African American Quilt Guild depict the integration of African art traditions into American culture.
Through Sat., June 1.
Performing Arts Center Gallery.

A Graphics Fest!!...
East-West Graphics of Resistance

U.G. Sato of Japan and Lex Drewinsky of Germany join in this new exhibition with works selected from the Center for the Study of Political Graphics archives.
Selections from Dennis Ryan Collection of Editorial Cartoons
A century of unique drawings created for the mass media. Signs of the Times
A brief look at contemporary social and political issues as seen in posters, advertisements, murals, graffiti and other mass media/public art.
Mon., March 18 through Sat., April 20.
Main Art Gallery
Athletics (home games)

Women's Softball

3/29 UC Santa Barbara (DH) Noon
3/30 UC Santa Barbara Noon

Women's Tennis

3/12 Texas Tech 2 p.m.
3/13 Bowling Green 2 p.m.
3/14 Southern Illinois 2 p.m.
3/16 Yale 11 a.m.
3/17 Univ. of Idaho 11 a.m.

Track and Field

3/22-23 Northridge Relays 9 a.m.

Men's Volleyball

3/15 Hawaii 7 p.m.
3/16 Hawaii 7 p.m.
3/19 Rutgers 7 p.m.

Dance

Alice in Wonderland

The State Street Ballet from Santa Barbara has gained national recognition for this presentation. Emmy Award-winner Robert Sund choreographs an original production with music by Jean Sibelius.
Sun., March 17, 2 & 5 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$19.50 general; $15 seniors and students; $10 CSUN students.

Music

Faculty Artist Series

Timothy Howard, organist.
Judy Farmer, bassoonist.
Julia Heinen, clarinetist.
David Washburn, trumpet.
Fri., March 15, 8 p.m.
Northridge Center
American Guitar Society International Concert Series

Guitarist Carlos Barbosa-Lima performs.
Sat., March 16, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall
$12 general; $10 AGS members; $8 seniors and students.

Guest Artist Series

Max Lifchitz composing.
Sun., March 17, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Osiris Piano Trio

Dutch musicians Ellen Corver, Peter Brunt and Larissa Groeneveld perform.
Mon., March 18, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$24 adults; $19 seniors; $7 students; $5 CSUN students.
For tickets, call (310) 552-3030.

Guest Artist Series

Laurie Lewis
Fri., March 22, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$19.50 general; $15 seniors and students; $10 CSUN students.

Taiko

Hear the thunderous rhythms and see the visual artistry of the Taiko Center of Los Angeles as the group performs traditional and contemporary Japanese taiko drumming works.
Sat., March 23, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$10 general; $8 students.

"Show of the Month" Celebrity Series Take Me Out to the Movies

A musical tribute to the Academy Awards starring Jane Russell and "Flamingo" singer Herb Jeffries, Horace Heidt Jr. and his orchestra and comedian Hank Garcia.
Sun., March 24, 3 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$35 general; $30 CSUN faculty, staff and students.
For tickets, call (818) 785-8885.

Theatre/Performing Arts

Other Americas: Our Many Voices
A festival of one-act plays featuring various playwrights celebrating east and west and north and south. Presented on two separate bills-Red and Blue. Blue show is for mature audiences.

**Red:**
- Thu., March 14, 8 p.m.
- Sat., March 16, 8 p.m.
- Wed., March 20, 7 p.m.
- Fri., March 22, 8 p.m.

**Blue:**
- Wed., March 13, 7 p.m.
- Fri., March 15, 8 p.m.
- Sun., March 17, 5 p.m.
- Thu., March 21, 8 p.m.
- Sat., March 23, 8 p.m.

Studio Theater
$10 general; $7 faculty, staff, seniors and students.