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Celebration of Spanish Culture, Arts to Highlight Fall Season

Works of Poet-Dramatist Garcia Lorca Inspire Campus Festival of Film, Theater, Music, Dance and Lectures

The fire and spirit of poet-dramatist Federico Garcia Lorca are the inspiration for "Theatre, Culture and the Arts in Lorca's Spain," a semester-long celebration of Spanish culture and arts of the 1920s and 1930s set for the fall 2003 season at Cal State Northridge.

Coordinated by the university's Department of Theatre, the interdisciplinary festival is co-sponsored by the Spanish government's Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports. It will feature plays, music, dance, film and lectures that reflect the artistry, cultural influences and historical context of the brilliant Spanish writer, whose 1936 assassination made him one of the Spanish Civil War's most famous casualties.

"The whole idea is to give our students a more global perspective on what makes theater today," said James De Paul, chair and artistic director of theatre. "We're trying to open them up to the fact that an artist has to think across disciplines, to think in a larger way about how to tell stories."

De Paul said the festival is part of the department's international outreach that includes seven "sister schools" around the world and cultural exchanges with programs such as Korea's National University of the Arts: School of Theatre and School of Dance.

"Lorca was not only a playwright," said theatre professor Heinrich Falk, the festival's organizer, "but a poet, a visual artist and a composer as well." That artistic universality, Falk said, prompted festival planners to give campus audiences a sense of the richness and range of the theater, arts and cultural circles in which Lorca moved and worked.

The festival will begin with a weekly Cinematheque film series that starts on Monday, Sept. 15, in the Alan and Elaine Armer Theater, Manzanita Hall. Films will include "The Disappearance of Garc'a Lorca," directed by Marcos Zurinaga and starring Andy Garcia; "To an Unknown God" by writer-director Jaime Chavarri; "Bu–uel and King Solomon's Table," directed by Carlos Saura; and short films directed by Segundo de Chomon and comedian Buster Keaton, a Lorca favorite.

Also scheduled are "Trip to the Moon," directed by Frederic Amat from a Lorca
scenario; "Blood Wedding," directed by Saura from the Lorca play; "An Andalusian Dog" and "Tristana," both directed by Bunuel; and "Belle époque," "The Girl of Your Dreams," and "The Spell of Shanghai," all directed by Fernando Trueba.

A series of lectures in the Whitsett Room of Sierra Hall, from Thursday, Oct. 9 through Tuesday, Nov. 4, will focus on Lorca and Spanish theater, cultural politics during Spain's Second Republic, the theater groups of Lorca and Alejandro Casona, the collaboration of theater director Luigi Salerni with painter Juan Gonzalez on Lorca's play "When Five Years Pass," and the creative interaction between Lorca, Bunuel and artist Salvador Dali.

Six plays by Lorca will be presented in a rotating repertory during November at the Studio Theatre, Nordhoff Hall: "Buster Keaton's Promenade," "The Maiden, the Sailor and the Student," "Scene of the Lieutenant Colonel of the Civil Guards" (in English and Spanish), "Dialogue of Amargo, the Bitter One" (in English and Spanish), "The Puppet Play of Don Cristobal" and "When Five Years Pass."

Other November festival events will include performances by internationally known guitar soloist Jose Maria Gallardo del Rey (top right); the world premiere of an original dance presentation, choreographed by assistant kinesiology professor J'aime Morrison and based on work by Lorca; and a flamenco performance by Laila del Monte, accompanied by guitarist Adam del Monte (bottom right).

All performances will be listed throughout the season in @CSUN's calendar section. For more information, visit the Theatre Department Web site at www.csun.edu/theatre/lorca_theatre.html or call the department at (818) 677-3086.
National, Local Leaders to Envision California's Future

'Dynamic Diversity: Expanding the California Dream' Theme Draws Key Leaders to State Conference

California State University Chancellor Charles B. Reed, businessman Henry Cisneros (right) and dozens of other national, state and local leaders will convene at the end of September in Universal City to explore the future of a diverse California.

The 15th annual Envisioning California Conference, jointly produced by Cal State Northridge's Center for Southern California Studies and the Center for California Studies at Cal State Sacramento, will welcome an anticipated 150 to 300 conferees on Thursday, Sept. 25, and Friday, Sept. 26, at the Sheraton Universal Hotel.

Cisneros, a key player in national Latino politics and the former mayor of San Antonio, Texas, will deliver the keynote address at the Thursday session.

This year's conference, titled "Dynamic Diversity: Expanding the California Dream," presents a rare opportunity for frank discussions on how the state's various sectors should serve its diverse populations. Business leaders, educators, community activists, artists and politicians will tackle the challenges posed by the state's economy, education, health care, housing and other issues.

"As the nation's largest and the world's seventh largest economy, California's dynamism and attitudes make it a bellwether of social, economic and environmental trends in the United States and internationally," said Stella Theodoulou, interim dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, where the Center for Southern California Studies is housed. "It is incumbent upon us to consider the consequences of social, spatial and environmental inequity and its potential to spark conflict or create positive solutions. That is what we hope to do at the conference."

In addition to Cisneros and Reed, participants will include Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education President Jose Huizar and Judy Burton, CEO of the Alliance for Student Achievement, who will discuss the future of education in California.

Assistant Los Angeles Police Chief George Gasc—n, Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca and Robin Toma, director of the Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission, will focus on urban justice.

Other participants include Alex Padilla, president of the Los Angeles City Council; Cynthia Rojas, an
organizer with the Bus Riders Union; Fernando Guerra, director of the Center for the Study of Los Angeles; Joel Kotkin of the Davenport Institute at Pepperdine University; Assemblywoman Jackie Goldberg; developer Tom Gilmore and Donald Spivack of the Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles.

For more information about the conference, call (818) 677-6518 or visit the Center for Southern California Studies' Web site at www.csun.edu/~cscs/CSCSmain_new.htm.
Louanne Kennedy Honored at Retirement Reception

Faculty Senate Resolution Praises Retiring Provost as Advocate for Academic Excellence at All Levels

Louanne Kennedy, who retired at the end of August after ten years of service as provost and vice president for academic affairs, was honored as a "powerful advocate for academic excellence" at a University Club reception and roast attended by about 200 campus colleagues.

Following is a resolution presented on behalf of the Faculty Senate by Chair Michael Neubauer:

"Whereas Louanne Kennedy has served California State University Northridge most ably as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy responded to the Northridge earthquake which followed her arrival on campus by only a few months with decisive, dynamic, and highly effective leadership;

Whereas Louanne Kennedy generously remained in the temporary but unforgettable 'Dome' until classes were returned to real buildings and all faculty returned to appropriate offices; and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy has been a powerful advocate for academic excellence at every level, from our newest first-year students to our most venerable senior faculty; and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy has been a determined and insistent advocate for student success; and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy has been an intelligent, courageous, and passionately committed member of the university community; and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy is visionary in her commitment to the faculty recruitment and hiring process; and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy has always had a clear sense and unerring instinct for priorities that advance the mission as well as the heart of the university; and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy has led this campus with humor, intelligence, and well-timed righteous fury as well as love; and

Whereas Louanne Kennedy's creativity, intelligent leadership, and hard work are responsible, to a large extent, for many of CSUN's recent successes such as high praise when earning WASC accreditation, and the award of the prestigious Teachers for a New Era Initiative; and
Whereas the Faculty Senate has benefited from the positive, candid, and humorous interactions with Louanne Kennedy;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Faculty Senate of CSUN acknowledge the power of her presence here, and the loss her absence will bring; and

Be it further resolved that the Faculty Senate of CSUN acknowledge that words cannot reflect the depth of respect and appreciation we have for her; and

Be it further resolved that the Faculty Senate of CSUN formally express its gratitude and appreciation to Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Louanne Kennedy for her extensive contributions and commitment to the campus community; and

Be it finally resolved that the Faculty Senate of CSUN wish Louanne Kennedy the very best in her future, which we hope will continue to include CSU Northridge and its community.”
News Briefs

SARS Update: No Travel Advisories in Effect for Fall

In contrast to the global alarm over the spread of severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) earlier this year, world health authorities have identified no recurrence of the SARS epidemic and issued no travel advisories as the fall semester begins.

Dr. Linda Reid-Chassiakos, director of the Klotz Student Health Center, reports that the campus administration, the California State University Chancellor's Office and the student health center have been monitoring the Web sites of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) for the latest information about SARS.

"At this point in time," she said, "there are no travel advisories and no identified SARS epidemic, but we will continue to monitor the situation and keep the campus community updated."

Reid-Chassiakos said the CDC Web site guidelines and recommendations issued in summer 2003 still are valid. The CDC currently is not recommending cancellation of travel plans from the United States, and there are no recommendations to cancel or postpone classes, meetings or other gatherings that will include persons traveling to the United States from areas that were high-risk for SARS last spring.

The CDC recommendations are also the basis for Chancellor Charles B. Reed's May 9 directive requiring California State University presidents to approve campus-sponsored travel to areas under SARS-related CDC travel alert or advisory. Approval for such travel by President Jolene Koester will be necessary again only if the CDC issues a new alert.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to get the influenza vaccine this year, said Reid-Chassiakos. The CDC believes the vaccination, which reduces flu cases, will decrease the number of people with symptoms similar to those with SARS, she explained. Starting in mid-October, the influenza vaccination will be available at the student health center.

The World Health Organization is working with countries around the world to maintain an alert system for quick identification and containment of SARS if the disease re-emerges this fall.

To remain abreast of the latest news, Cal State Northridge faculty, staff and students—including international students—who plan to travel abroad in the near future should call the health center's Travel Clinic at (818) 677-3679 prior to their trips for information on SARS and safe travel, said Reid-Chassiakos.

For the latest SARS updates, contact the CDC Web site at www.cdc.gov/ncidod/sars/, the WHO Web site
University Receives Grant for Anti-Gang Program

In partnership with the Jeopardy Foundation and the Los Angeles Police Department, Cal State Northridge has received a three-year, $375,000 grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service for a new anti-gang program.

Part of $40 million in grants bestowed in the 2003-2004 academic year by the corporation's Learn and Serve America program, the university's grant is part of the program's effort to support 2,300 local projects that promote community service efforts by university students that also enhance their academic and civic skills.

"This grant will give our students the opportunity to help the community's early intervention efforts by tutoring, mentoring and inspiring young people to seek positive alternatives to gang life," said Maureen Rubin, director of Northridge's Center for Community-Service Learning. Together with the Department of Sociology, the center oversees the university's portion of the grant.

The new program, "University/Community Partnership to Reduce Gang Activity," will create a special service-learning sociology class for 40 work-study students each semester, beginning next spring. Each student will perform 300 hours of service a year at one of the non-profit Jeopardy Foundation's after-school anti-gang program sites, and will attend weekly classes co-taught by sociology professors Patricia O'Donnell-Brummett, Herman DeBose and mentoring specialist Bridget Sampson.
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 and Exhibits

For more info, call (818) 677-2156. Main gallery hours: Mon. through Sat. 12Ð4 p.m. Admission is free unless specified.

Free Range: Experimental Art

Artists Kim Abeles, Patsy Cox, Paula DiMarco, Samantha Fields, Lesley Krane, John O'Brien, Mark Taylor and Mary Ann Trujillo, all members of the Art Department faculty, have been given "free range" in creating new portfolio ideas. Runs through September 27

CSUN Art Galleries

Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium
Summer Series 2003: The Future of the Red Planet

The Road to Mars,

The Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium will present "The Road to Mars." Hosted by Dave Rankin and Gerry Williams of the SoCal Mars Society, the event will cover recent robotic launches to Mars, and the Mars Analog Habitats built on Canadian, American, Icelandic and Australian soils in an effort to accelerate human exploration of the Red Planet.

Thu., Sept. 18, 2 p.m.
Free special event.

Mars Exploration Rovers and Summer Sky Tour

Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Brian Hammer will present "Spirit & Opportunity-The Mars Exploration Rovers." Learn about the latest developments in Martian exploration, while a computer-simulated journey to Mars allows you to experience the journey firsthand. In the "Summer Sky Tour" the evening's second show the mysteries of the Milky Way, the summer constellations, recent NASA missions and the latest pictures from the Hubble Space Telescope are part of an interactive presentation.

Sat., Sept. 20
Mars Exploration Rovers at 7 p.m.
Summer Sky Tour at 8 p.m.
Admission: $5 general and $3 students.
See both shows for the price of one ticket.

Athletics (home games)

Men's Soccer

Men's Soccer 9/20 Alumni 4 p.m.

Women's Soccer

9/10 East. Washington 2:30 p.m.
9/14 Long Island 2:30 p.m.

Women's Volleyball

9/18 Utah State 7 p.m.
9/20 Idaho 7 p.m.

Film

The Department of Cinema and Television Arts presents its Cinematheque fall series, "Seven Artistic Cultures," embracing the seven departments of the College of Arts, Media, and Communication and including special tribute evenings. Screenings are free and take place in the Alan and Elaine Armer Theater, on the first floor of Manzanita Hall at the southwest corner of campus. For more info, call (818) 677-3192 or see www.csuncinematheque.com.

AMC Salutes Communication Studies

Featuring "Lone Star." Guest Speaker: Elizabeth Berry, chair, Department of Communication Studies.
Tue., Sept. 9, 7–10 p.m.

Ethics and the Media

Featuring "I Accuse" and "The Great Man."
Wed., Sept. 10, 7–11 p.m.

The Dark Side of Cinema and Television

Featuring "The Stunt Man" and "Medium Cool."
Wed., Sept. 17, 7–11 p.m.

Sneak Preview Screenings

(First come, first served; no seat saving)
Featuring "The Fighting Temptations."
Story by Elizabeth Hunter.
Directed by Jonathan Lynn.  
Starring Cuba Gooding Jr., Beyoncé Knowles.  
Rated PG-13  
Fri., Sept. 12, 5 p.m. and 8 p.m.

**Spanish Arts & Culture Festival Screenings**

The Department of Cinema and Television Arts celebrates the theater, culture and arts of Federico García Lorca's Spain. All screenings will be in the Alan and Elaine Armer Theater in Manzanita Hall. Free admission.

**The Disappearance of Garcia Lorca**  
Written and directed by Marcos Zurinaga.  
Starring Edward James Olmos and Andy García.  
Mon., Sept. 15, 7 p.m.

**To an Unknown God**  
Written and directed by Jaime Chávarri.  
Mon., Sept. 22, 7 p.m.

**Film/Score Exploration**

Featuring "The Best Years of Our Lives," noted for exceptional sound track.  
Thu., Sept. 18, 7-11 p.m.  
Armer Theater, Manzanita Hall

**Music**

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

**Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadian Orchestra**

Sun., Sept 14., 2 p.m.  
Performing Arts Center

**Jazz Quartet**

Assistant music professor Matt Harris and friends perform as Malt.  
Wed., Sept. 17, 8 p.m.  
Music Recital Hall