Tempe Center for the Arts



the scene



FALL 07

Sept. 9 – Jan. 11

But it's a dry heat

GALLERY

Nationally- and internationally-known artists from Tempe and the Phoenix Metropolitan area created pieces for this exhibition, inspired by the Valley's informal motto, "But It's a Dry Heat."



BUT IT'S A DRY HEAT

BALLET UNDER THE STARS

TEMPE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA



be part of the scene





Sept. 21, 2007

Ballet Under the Stars

7 p.m., AMPHITHEATER

Bring picnic dinners and blankets or lawn chairs, and enjoy a free family-friendly performance of classical and contemporary dance under the direction of Ib Anderson.

Tempe Symphony Orchestra

Oct. 15, 2007

7:30 p.m. THEATER

Brinton Smith, principal cellist of the Houston Symphony Orchestra, joins the symphony for its 2007-2008 season opening concert. Free – General Admission event.





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Activities & Opportunities



AROUND TEMPE

Exhibitions

LIBRARY GALLERIES

3500 S. Rural Road

Connections Café

Saturation

Sept. 21-Nov. 14

The art of Lisa Marie Sipe and Carlos Valcarcel will be displayed.

Wilson/Rowles

Nov. 16-Jan. 9

The art of Rachel Wilson and Helen Rowles will be displayed.

Conversations

Through Sept. 19

This exhibition was inspired by the conversations of artists Katherine Nicholson and Jeff Falk, who share their thoughts about art, collaboration and the Valley's art scene.

Lower Level Gallery

Containment

Sept. 6 - Nov. 2

This exhibition is about all types of containers - whether box images or vessels, or metaphors for restraint or treasure.

Animal Instinct Nov. 8 - Feb. 3

This family-oriented exhibition features two- and three-dimensional animals in action with special emphasis on work that is fun, colorful and kid-friendly.

Second Floor Gallery

TCA Sneak Peek
Through Oct. 16

View a photographic timeline of the construction of the Tempe Center for the Arts from architect renderings to ground opening to building photos.

2007 Senior Art Show

Oct. 25 - Jan. 25

This annual exhibition showcases work by seniors enrolled in five city-sponsored recreational arts programs. Artists show work in oil, acrylic, water color, colored pencil and other drawing media.



Muleshoe 3R1 by Barbara Burton from Landscapes

CITY HALL GALLERY

31 E. Fifth St.

Landscapes

Through Oct. 28

The exhibition explores contemporary and traditional approaches to landscape images including printmaking, drawings and photography.

POST OFFICE EXHIBITIONS

500 S. Mill Ave.

Element

Oct. 19 - Jan. 2

This exhibition is inspired by the extravagant holiday window displays in Macy's and other New York City department stores.

My Favorite Year

Aug. 24 - Oct. 17

Artists provide window installations devoted to their favorite years and address everything from pop culture to personal memories.



Arizona Commission on the Arts

N A T I O N A L ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

Cultural Services programs are supported by the Arizona Commission on the Arts with funding from the State of Arizona and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Events

Art Connections Café - Artists join moderator Rebecca Akins for a lively discussion about art and café exhibitions from Noon to 1 p.m. at the Connections Café in the Public Library, 3500 S. Rural Road. Sept. 13 - Katherine Nicholson and Jeff Falk discuss "Conversations."

Oct. 11 - Artist Denise Currier talks about the "Containment exhibition.



Peanut Butter & Jam - Children ages 3 to 5 years can

create art projects and enjoy songs and stories with Persephone from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Tempe Community Center Complex Courtyard, 3500 S.

Rural Road, just east of the library.

Sept. 19 - Circus Day - Dress like or just celebrate your favorite circus animals and performers.

Oct. 15 - Western Day - Little cowpokes are invited to enjoy a Western experience.

Tempe Tardeada

Oct. 14 - Join the fun, color and culture of Tempe's ninth Annual Tardeada, which honors Hispanic Heritage Month, from Noon to 8 p.m. at the Tempe Community Center Complex, 3500 S. Rural Road.

Tempe Symphony Orchestra

Nov. 26 - Katie McLin, Kimberly Marshall, Thomas Landschoot, Andrew Campbell, Carole FitzPatrick and more highlight the annual holiday concert at 7:30 p.m. at ASU Gammage, 1200 S. Forest Ave.

Holiday Fantasia

Dec. 1 - Talk to Santa, decorate cookies, participate in "make-n-take" art activities and more from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Tempe Historical Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave.

Exhibitions and events are free. Schedules are subject to change.

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CHILDSPLAY

Charlotte's Web
Saturdays & Sundays; Sept. 15 - Oct. 14
TCA Theater

Meet Wilbur, an endearing piglet in grave danger of ending up as pork chops, and Charlotte, the wise and winsome spider who becomes his true friend. Together they explore friendship, loyalty, ingenuity and the cycle of life in the barnyard and beyond.

A Thousand Cranes Oct. 27 – Nov. 11 TCA Studio

This poignant drama, told with grace and simple dignity, is about Sadako Sasaki, a young Japanese girl, and her dream which continues to inspire children around the world to work for peace. Sadako's courage and determination in the face of personal adversity has added meaning in a post-9/11 world.

Seussical
Dec. 1-23
TCA Theater

"O the thinks you can think when you think about Seuss!" This energetic Broadway musical, featuring Horton the Elephant and the Whos of Whoville, works brilliantly for little ones who know and love the Seuss stories and for the rest of us who'll delight in the sheer spectacle of the show.

http://childsplayaz.org/

TCA Tickets & Showtimes

Online: http://www.tempe.gov/tca Box Office: 480-350-2TCA (2822) 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway Tempe, AZ 85281

TEMPE LITTLE THEATRE

Urinetown the Musical Sept. 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22 & 23 TCA Studio

A terrible water shortage causes the government to outlaw the use of private toilets to conserve water. It is the classic tale of the poor oppressed by the rich. This Tony award-winning satirical comedy breaks all the rules of the standard Broadway musical.

Beyond Therapy Nov. 16, 17, 18, 23, 24 & 25 TCA Studio

In this hilarious comedy, the plot concerns Prudence, a New York City yuppie, who has decided to search for a boyfriend in the personal ads. The play's themes include New Yorkers' reliance on psychiatry and the universal quest to find love and companionship.

http://www.tempelittletheatre.org/

TEMPE SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE

A Thankful Tribute

Nov. 11

TCA Theater

The wind ensemble presents an evening of patriotic music to honor United States' veterans. In its 18th year, the TSWE is critically acclaimed as one of the finest wind ensembles in the nation.

Box Office Hours

10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday - Friday Noon - 5 p.m., Saturday & Sunday Performance days - Open: earliest of noon or two hours prior to curtain. Close: the later of 5 p.m. or after intermission of the last show.

CITRUS VALLEY PLAYHOUSE

Napolinator
Oct. 26, 27 and Nov. 2, 3
TCA Theater

After last year's sold out performances of "Arpaio-palooza," Brian Nissen's Citrus Valley Playhouse opens at TCA with "Napolitics 101!" It's a wild musical spoof of Arizona civics, culture, and history. "Napolitics 101!" was voted Best Original Work for 2006 by *Get Out Magazine*.

http://www.citrusvalley.org/

DESERT DANCE THEATRE

Convergence Zone
Oct. 5-7
TCA Studio

Desert Dance Theatre (DDT) will perform a collection of eclectic dances ranging from abstract, comical, dramatic and athletic. The dances will move and stimulate the senses. The highlight of the show will be a premiere work by guest choreographer and DDT founding member, Billbob Brown.

http://www.desertdancetheatre.org/

Other performances

ARIZONA WIND SYMPHONY
Oct. 17 and Nov. 14, TCA Theater

BODY POSITIVE: "POSITIVE ENERGY Oct. 19, TCA Theater

CONDER/DANCE Dec. 8, TCA Studio

Dates and shows are subject to change.

Accessibility - The Tempe Center for the Arts provides a variety of accessible services and accommodations. Call 480-350-2883 to make arrangements in advance.