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The rules of engagement are changing. We wake up daily to a new advancement in some form of thought or technology which is asking us to re-think or develop new patterns of how we should conduct ourselves, how we should think, how we should act. These are interesting and challenging times that evoke a sense that something *new* is happening — we are constantly asking ourselves: am I part of it, am I getting left behind, do I belong, and if so how.

In this ever changing landscape one factor that rises to the surface again and again is that now is the time for action — we as a society and as individuals need to act, need to come together and need to find our voices to adapt and instill change, to develop and foster community.

At no time perhaps, has the cry of the artist and his role in challenging the status quo and pushing the boundaries of what it means to be *us, them,* been so important. The season before you at the Quick empowers that cry and provides a platform for new and established voices to sing their cry.

Through the art of performance this season offers some of the most powerful voices of our time a stage. If you look closely you will notice a deep root of family connections and identifiers of *self* and *other*. Good art should stop us in our tracks and make us rethink what and how we do what we do. Good art should foster change, be it one person at a time or the whole audience.

The Quick is your community, be a part of our amazing season and come together to give power to the voice of the arts.

I look forward to seeing you this season.

Sincerely,

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Peter Van Heerden *Executive Director*



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Acting and Resisting! An Evening with Artist, Actor, and Activist **Mark Ruffalo**

Open VISIONS Forum

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 • 8 P.M.

\$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27

As one of Hollywood's most sought after actors, and fresh from his powerful Broadway stage performance in Arthur Miller's drama *The Price*, Mark Ruffalo opens our season with a passionate point of view about climate change and environmental policies. He was honored with the Global Green Millennium Award for Environmental Leadership and the Meera Gandhi Giving Back Foundation Award. Beloved by transgenerational audiences, he is known for his roles appearing as 'The Hulk' in *The Avengers* and as a *Boston Globe* reporter in the Oscar winning film, *Spotlight*.

When not engaged in his acting career, Ruffalo devotes his energies to resisting deniers of climate change and lends his voice as an advocate for renewable energy sources. He is co-founder of Water Defense — a 501(c) non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness about energy extraction and the impact of fracking on water and public health. 'Walking the walk' he presented Standing Rock Sioux tribal leaders with mobile solar panels to bring power to the encampment where Native Americans and other social activists were protesting last year in North Dakota.

Come join us for an evening of warmth and passion and unscripted candor as this Hollywood star speaks truth to power.





You're invited to a

Private Dinner Reception with Mark Ruffalo

6:30-7:30 p.m.

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Global Theatre: A Performance Series



In an ever-dividing world where identity lines are drawn in broad strokes of "black" and "white," this international curation brings together two powerful artistic voices from South Africa to explore race, sexuality, gender, and identity in our contemporary world.

United by their mutual passion for the frank, powerful medium of live performance, these featured artists — Mamela Nyamza and Iain "Ewok" Robinson — each offer up work that explores, questions, reclaims, or makes visible the complexities of identities, be they racial, gendered, sexual, or cultural.



WORLD PREMIERE

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Wien Experimental Theatre SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 • 8 P.M. SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017 • 3 P.M.

\$25 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$18

Spoken word artist, rapper, and activist, Iain "Ewok" Robinson, uses hip hop practice to galvanize communities around social justice issues. In this one-man tour de force, Ewok examines assumptions about his own whiteness and privilege and explores how white men in particular might work towards coexistence rather than dominance within the multicultural, multiracial democracy that is the new South Africa.

Wrestling with Whiteness

Why does whiteness matter? Because it is the infrastructure of all systems of racial inequity, the assumed default category of human existence, and it haunts our culture in both overt and hidden ways. Whiteness perpetuates inequality by staying unexamined and unmarked. Curator Megan Lewis believes in "the power of performance specifically theater — to create a space in which we can examine and interrogate the assumptions behind white, masculinized, heteronormative privilege and power." Her research concerns the stakes of race and performance, particularly the ways in which whiteness and performance intersect.

BLACK/GIRLS

Mamela Nyamza HATCHED

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018 • 8 P.M. SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018 • 3 P.M.

Wien Experimental Theatre \$25 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$18

Created and performed by South African artist Mamela Nyamza, HATCHED is an autobiographical work that seeks to convey deeply personal and challenging issues of culture, tradition, and a woman's evolving sexuality within the customary rites and rituals of marriage. HATCHED tells the story of a woman faced with a life of dualism: between countries, identities and relationships. Nyamza shares her challenges - battling with her identity as a mother while clinging onto her life as a performer and being a South African woman performing in Western/ European contexts. Nyamza addresses these issues by juxtaposing movement vocabulary and accompaniment from both cultures, referencing classical Western music and dance, and also traditional African vocal scores and grounded movement. Nyamza has created a poignant story that speaks to feelings of conflict with one's own identity and questioning where we belong in the world.

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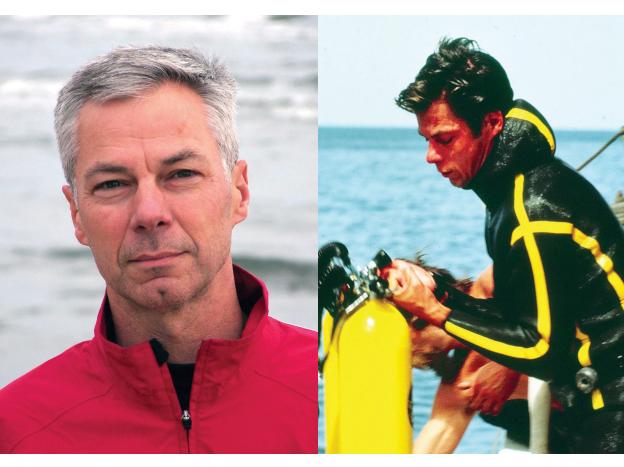


Frogmen: My Journeys with Captain Jacques-Yves Cousteau and the Crew of Calypso **Richard E. Hyman**

Open VISIONS Forum: Espresso WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017 • 8 P.M.

Wien Experimental Theatre

This event is free and open to members and OVF subscribers. To R.S.V.P., contact the Box Office at 203-254-4010.



An inspiring coming of age story about a young man who pays homage to one of the greatest explorers of all time, Richard Hyman shares his experiences with Jacques Cousteau, co-inventor of the aqua-lung, maker of over 100 films, three-time Academy Award winner, and recipient of 40 Emmy nominations.

Richard Hyman's adventures have been endless, having first worked with Jacques Cousteau in 1973 when he drove a supply truck from Los Angeles to the Canadian wilderness for a rare, land-based expedition. Subsequent journeys include diving with manatees in Florida and stonecrabs off the panhandle, flying to Mexico's Yucatán to board the Calypso, a relatively small and unsteady wooden ship with Dr. George Low, Deputy Administrator of NASA, camping on the uninhabited Contoy Island to study and film *The Incredible Migration of the Spiny Lobsters*, and sailing south along the 180-mile Belize Barrier Reef, filming *The Fish that Swallowed Jonah*. On his final voyage, en route to Venezuela, he experienced treacherous deep dives on the wreck of the USS Monitor off North Carolina, skeletons inside wrecks off Martinique, and the death of Jacques Cousteau's son, Philippe.

FAMILY FUN SERIES Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia in *Guess How Much I Love You* & I Love My Little Storybook

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2017 • 3 P.M. \$20 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$15

"If you're searching for a feel-good bedtime book, look no further."

Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia adapts *Guess How Much I Love You*, the awardwinning classic from author Sam McBratney, and the endearing *I Love My Little Storybook*. Illustrated by Anita Jeram, these cherished stories come to life as the acclaimed Mermaid Theatre brings its whimsical puppetry, dreamlike imagery, and original music to these two beloved childhood stories, providing an effortless introduction to the performing arts and the excitement of reading.

Join us after the show for juice and cookies!

Join us at the Fairfield University Bookstore Downtown on Saturday, September 30 from 4–4:30 p.m. for a reading, craft & little Starbucks snack for children ages 3+ accompanied by an adult. RSVP to FairfieldUBookstoreEvents@gmail.com.



Compagnie Hervé Koubi in

What the Day Owes to the Night

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017 • 8 P.M

\$45, \$40 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$30

O MEMBER EVENT

Drawing creative strength from his Algerian roots and Mediterranean culture, French-Algerian choreographer Hervé Koubi has created a jaw-dropping performance in *What the Day Owes to the Night (Ce Que le Jour Doit à la Nuit)*, packed with backflips, head spins, and a transcending emotional intensity. The all-male cast from Algeria and West Africa share their combined skills in contemporary, street, and urban dance movements, capoeira, and martial arts in a piece that celebrates the power of the body in motion while recognizing the brotherhood of these dancers coming together from different religious and cultural backgrounds. The work is danced to an eclectic score including Johann Sebastian Bach, Hamza El Din & the Kronos Quartet, and traditional Sufi music.

All in the Family: Orin Grossman, Jerry Grossman, and Korliss Uecker

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017 • 3 P.M.

\$35, \$30 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$22

Emeritus Professor Orin Grossman returns to the Quick for a rare concert with members of his remarkable musical family – brother Jerry Grossman is Principle Cellist of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, and Jerry's wife, Korliss Uecker, is a wellknown operatic soprano whose career includes over 150 performances with the Metropolitan Opera. They will perform music by American and European composers including remarkable music for voice, cello, and piano by Franz Schubert and Johannes Brahms, and songs and selections by American composers such as Victor Herbert and **Richard Rodgers.**

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Eddie Palmieri

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017 · 3 P.M.

\$60, \$50 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$38

MEMBER EVENT

"Eddie Palmieri... has been the most consistently innovative artist in Afro-Cuban music in the United States for the past 30 years." - THE BOSTON GLOBE

EDDIE AT 80

celebrates Eddie Palmieri as he is joined by his world famous Latin jazz band for an afternoon that highlights his most influential and popular works from throughout his storied career. It will leave you ready to dance the night away.

With 10 Grammys, 36 recordings, and a musical career that spans over 50 years as a pianist, bandleader, and composer of salsa and Latin jazz, Eddie Palmieri's contribution to Latin music is unparalleled. First making history by winning the inaugural Grammy award for Best Latin Recording in 1975, Mr. Palmieri has made an incredible mark in the world of jazz music and was honored in 2013 with both the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Latin Grammys and the NEA Jazz Masters Award, the nation's highest honor in jazz, recognizing him as a true American Musical icon.

Habib Koité & Bamada

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2017 • 8 P.M.

\$40, \$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27

O MEMBER EVENT

Hailing from the musically prolific West African nation of Mali, Habib Koité is a modern troubadour with extraordinary appeal due to his musicianship, wit, and wisdom. The guitarist and composer has been named the biggest pop star of the region by *Rolling Stone* and, as noted by *The New York Times*, "his reputation as a guitar player has become almost mythical, combining rock and classical techniques with Malian tunings that make the guitar sound like a kora or ngoni." Over the past decade, his artistry and magnetic personality have made him an international star, delighting audiences the world over, and placing him firmly among the leading figures in contemporary world music. Koité's most recent release, *Soô* (which translates to home) looks squarely at his native land, a country torn apart by violence over the last two years, at a time when a real feeling of home couldn't be more vital.

"Koité's voracious musical curiosity, broad international fan base, impressive CD sales, and fruitful collaboration with the likes of Bonnie Raitt, Jackson Browne, Eric Bibb and Gary Davis, have made him a prominent global voice."

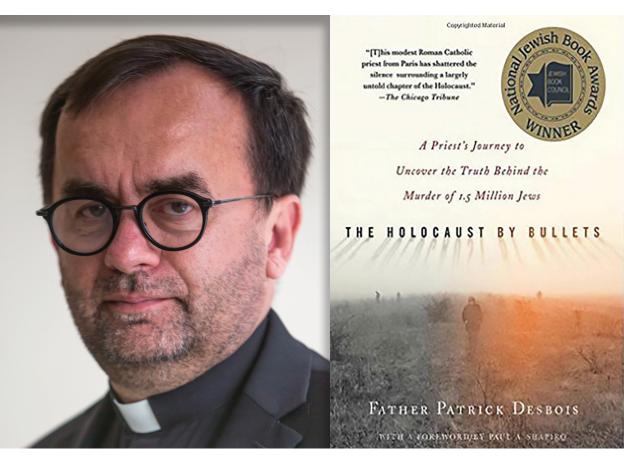


A Voice of Conscience: Uncovering Mass Murder from the Holocaust to Today **Father Patrick Desbois**

Open VISIONS Forum

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017 • 8 P.M.

\$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27



The 20th Annual Jacoby-Lunin Humanitarian Lectureship, in affiliation with the Carl & Dorothy Bennett Center for Judaic Studies

On a personal "holy mission" of identifying and marking at least 1.5 million graves of murdered victims of Nazism killing squads, Father Patrick Desbois, a Catholic priest and professor at Georgetown University, has devoted his life to awakening the world's attention to mass genocide. He made world news headlines for his pioneering efforts uncovering the Third Reich's killing fields of Eastern Europe and the Ukraine. His award winning book, *The Holocaust by Bullets*, is an autobiography, travelogue, and collection of transcripts as he revisited dozens of sites where Hitler's soldiers and local militias brutally executed Jews. While not for the faint at heart, his testimony reflects his revulsion using metal detectors at previously unknown, unmarked death zones. "A bullet, a Jew, a cartridge. Three hundred cartridges, 300 bullets, 300 people executed here." As this year's Humanitarian honoree, he also calls our attention to later mass murders in Cambodia, Darfur, and Rwanda.

This program is made possible through the generosity of the Frank Jacoby Foundation of Bridgeport.



John Pizzarelli and Jessica Molaskey

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017 • 3 P.M.

\$60, \$50 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$38

You loved John so much last year that we had to bring this jaw-dropping guitarist and vocalist back to our stage! This time he's joined on stage by the equally charming Broadway star and singer extraordinaire, Jessica Molaskey (who happens to be his wife). Along with his trio, the duo will share their rich, original interpretations of songs from the Great American Songbook mixed with Christmas classics that will have you humming along and excited to celebrate the holiday season with family and friends.

Paul Taylor Dance Company

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018 • 8 P.M.

\$50, \$40 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$30

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"One of the most intelligent, stylish, and physically magnificent dance troupes we have." -NEW YORK MAGAZINE

Considered by many to be America's greatest living choreographer, Paul Taylor is a founder and towering icon of America's indigenous art form of modern dance. Taylor was awarded the National Medal of the Arts, recognized as a Kennedy Center Honors recipient, and won an Emmy award for his achievements in choreography. The Paul Taylor Dance Company returns to the Quick with a program that features a roster of classic works and audience favorites. Whether you're a fan of ballet or modern dance, or just curious to dip your toe into the world of dance, this is one company everyone should experience at least once.



Freedom: Seeking Justice in America An Evening with **Dr. Angela Davis**

Fairfield University Martin Luther King, Jr. Convocation

Open VISIONS Forum

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018 • 8 P.M.

\$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27



In conjunction with the University's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. commemoration, we are honored to present Dr. Angela Davis, Distinguished Professor Emerita at the University of California. As one of the most iconic faces of black politics and social activism beginning in the 1960s, she gained international recognition in combating all forms of oppression. Her work as an educator, author, human rights activist, and public intellectual articulates a vision of building communities for economic, racial, and gender equality. She has worked tirelessly creating alliances across racial lines and confronting institutional injustices of the "prison industrial complex." She will share with us her journey after being placed on the FBI's 'Ten Most Wanted List' for a crime she did not commit connected to the Soledad Prison Three. After serving 18 months in jail and on trial, she conducted extensive research on the interplay of race, gender, and imprisonment. Her testimony will inspire our University community towards making our nation and world more aware of the long struggle — past, present, and future — ensuring that freedom results in democratic institutions founded on social justice.

Learn more about the many programs offered as part of Fairfield University's Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Week by visiting Fairfield.edu.

Octavia E. Butler's *Parable of the Sower*

Music and Lyrics by Toshi Reagon and Bernice Johnson Reagon Directed by Eric Ting

Based on the novels Parable of the Sower and Parable of the Talents by Octavia E. Butler

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2018 • 8 P.M. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2018 • 8 P.M.

\$50, \$40 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$30

MEMBER EVENT

In this genre-defying work of political theater featuring a powerhouse ensemble of 20 singers and musicians, Octavia E. Butler's *Parable of the Sower* harnesses 200 years of Black music to give musical life to Butler's acclaimed science fiction novel of the same name. Parable chronicles the spiritual awakening of young Lauren Olamina amidst a dystopian America wracked by the violence brought on by climate change that has driven society to the brink. Written by Toshi Reagon, who *Vibe Magazine* called "one helluva rock'n'roller-coaster ride," in collaboration with her mother, Bernice Johnson Reagon, the iconic singer, scholar and activist, *Parable of the Sower* becomes a mesmerizing theatrical work of rare power and beauty that reveals deep insights on gender, race and the future of human civilization.



Berlin Philharmonic Piano Quartet

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018 • 3 P.M.

\$45, \$40 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$30

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One of the few existing ensembles of this instrumentation, the Berlin Philharmonic Piano Quartet has existed as a Berlin Philharmonic chamber music ensemble since 1985, uniting three permanent members of the Berliner Philharmoniker, Konzertmeister Andreas Buschatz, violist Matthew Hunter, and cellist Knut Weber, with renowned concert pianist Markus Groh.

This ensemble approaches their repertoire with a fierce commitment to representing not only the classical, romantic, and modern works, but to also finding undiscovered masterpieces of the literature that encompasses over 400 works just for this unique chamber ensemble structure.

Enhance your experience! Join us at 2 p.m. for a pre-concert lecture by members of the ensemble.

Camille A. Brown & Dancers BLACK GIRL: Linguistic Play

FRIDAY, FEBRUA

\$40, \$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27

> "Ms. Brown explores black female identity by transporting her dancers and audience to the playground. On a multilevel stage of platforms and mirrors, she uses the games of childhood as a source of empowerment." - THE NEW YORK TIMES

Four-time Princess Grace Award recipient, Guggenheim Fellowship recipient, and Doris Duke Performing Artist Award-winner Camille Brown shares her unique perspective in her work *BLACK GIRL: Linguistic Play*, revealing the complexity of carving out a self-defined identity as a black female in urban American culture. Combined with original music compositions performed live on stage by pianist Scott Patterson and electric bassist Tracy Wormsworth, Brown uses the rhythmic play of African-American dance vernacular — including social dancing, double dutch, steppin', tap, Juba, ring shout, and gesture — as the black woman's domain to evoke childhood memories of self-discovery.

In a society where black women are often only portrayed in terms of their strength, resiliency, or trauma, this work seeks to interrogate these narratives by representing a nuanced spectrum of black womanhood in a racially and politically charged world.



A Fresh Perspective on Global Affairs: An Evening with the BBC's **Katty Kay**

Open VISIONS Forum

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018 • 8 P.M.

\$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27



Offering us a candid, outsider's look at events within Washington's Beltway, Katty Kay brings her sharp insights in helping us understand how and why America's national and foreign agendas are full of risk and opportunity. Join us to be engaged by her lively wit, humor, and common sense, as Kay points out where the Washington establishment is polarizing versus unifying; how our national leaders are succeeding or failing.

Known to audiences of MSNBC's *Morning Joe* and *BBC World News America*, she grew up as the daughter of a British diplomat living throughout the Middle East. After studying French and Italian at Oxford, she began her journalism career covering the end of apartheid in South Africa. Settling in Washington in 1996, she took on the challenges of juggling her professional life with raising her four children. In her books and advocacy work she has advanced the idea of 'Womenonics.' Kay will laser beam through hot button issues such as Presidential overreach, Congressional ineffectiveness, diplomatic dustups, and global terrorism, while offering insights to tomorrow's headlines shaping the news.

FAMILY FUN SERIES

Go, Dog. Go<mark>!</mark>

Presented by Childsplay SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018 • 3 P.M.

\$20 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$15

Go, Dog. Go! is a musical romp full of surprises, clowning, vaudeville, singing (maybe a touch of barking), and of course, six lovable dogs! *Go, Dog. Go!* brings the adventures of P.D. Eastman's book to life in a frolicking musical dog party.

The cast of this beloved preschool favorite has gone to the dogs — with cars, hats, audience participation, and even a wild game of ball as this hilarious visual spectacle manages to sneak in some important lessons about life between innings.

Join us after the performance for juice and cookies!

Join us at the Fairfield University Bookstore Downtown on Saturday, February 10 from 4–4:30 p.m. for a reading, craft & little Starbucks snack for children ages 3+ accompanied by an adult. RSVP to FairfieldUBookstoreEvents@gmail.com.



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Ultima Vez In Spite of Wishing and Wanting Created by Wim Vandekeybus

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018 • 8 P.M. SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018 • 8 P.M. \$55, \$45 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$35

In 1999, *In Spite of Wishing and Wanting* caused a huge international stir. For the first time, Wim Vandekeybus created a performance not about the chemistry between men and women, but a primal desire in a world of men alone — fierce, wild, naïve, and playful. The performance derives its power from the organic symbiosis between dance, theatre, and film. These captivating dance sequences are underpinned by the sensual soundtrack by David Byrne, founding member of Talking Heads. Accompanying the performance is the short film entitled *The Last Words*, made by Vandekeybus himself and based on two stories by Julio Cortázar.

Wim Vandekeybus' first show, *What the Body Does Not Remember*, was an international success, earning him a Bessie Award (New York Dance and Performance Award) for its innovation.

"Pages would be lacking to sing the praises of the original soundscape by David Byrne and the convincing interpretation of all the dancers. Thus we will confine ourselves to strongly recommending this original performance, so difficult to explain In Spite of Wishing and Wanting to do so."

– MARJOLIJN VAN DER MEER, LA VANGUARDIA, JULY 19TH, J

Moscow Festival Ballet in *Giselle*

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2018 • 8 P.M. \$55, \$45 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$35

In the great tradition of the grand ballet, the internationally renowned Moscow Festival Ballet performs *Giselle*, the romantic tale of a young peasant girl who falls in love with a count disguised as a villager. This stunning production is filled with brilliant choreography, a haunting score, and resplendent costumes and sets. This presentation is a must-see for fans of the ballet!

YOU AREN'T SEEING DOUBLE

Giselle By Dada Masilo

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018 • 8 P.M. \$45, \$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27

If you witnessed William Kentridge's *Refuse the Hour* at Yale or BAM a few seasons ago, then you are well aware of the extraordinary power and magnetism of dancer and choreographer, Dada Masilo. She has a deep love for the classics — from Shakespeare to Tchaikovsky, from Ballet to Flamenco. She has impressed with her signature speed and is known to imbue her roles with a precocious theatricality. She has also been amazingly daring, tackling the `big' stories and boldly fusing dance techniques; musically, mixing the original scores with twentieth century composers and performers.

After receiving critical acclaim for her previous reinterpretations of great classics including *Romeo and Juliet, Carmen,* and *Swan Lake,* Masilo has set her sights on a new story. Masilo's latest reimagining of *Giselle* will be a feminist revision of the classic. Masilo's vision will be of grief, heartbreak, anger, and revenge. As her hashtag notes #NOTAPRETTYBALLET

Masilo has engaged the services of South African composer Philip Miller, to create a new score, influenced somewhat by the original music by Adolphe Adam.

This year the Quick offers you a double dose of Giselle – one from South Africa and one from Russia. We encourage you to see both. Experience the Moscow Festival Ballet's traditional masterpiece and then reimagine the story with Dada Masilo as she brings a contemporary voice to a classic tale. Join us for both variations of Giselle for just \$85 (Section A only).

Family Fun Series TheatreworksUSA in *The Lightning Thief*

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018 • 3 P.M.

\$20 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$15

Percy Jackson is about to be kicked out of boarding school...again. And that's the least of his troubles. Lately, mythological monsters and the gods of Mount Olympus seem to be walking straight out of the pages of Percy's Greek mythology textbook and into his life. And worse, he's angered a few of them. Zeus' master lightning bolt has been stolen, and Percy is the prime suspect.

Now Percy has ten days to find and return Zeus' stolen property and bring peace to a warring Mount Olympus. But to succeed on his quest, Percy will have to do more than catch the true thief: he must come to terms with the father who abandoned him; solve the riddle of the Oracle, which warns him of betrayal by a friend; and unravel a treachery more powerful than the gods themselves. Adapted from the book *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan.

Join us for cookies and juice following the show!

Machine de Cirque

\$45, \$35 | \$5 Fairfield University students QCA Member price: \$27

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Wildly acrobatic, poetic, and humorous, Machine de Cirque presents a show for the whole family! Sometimes comical, sometimes nostalgic, these five wacky characters are full of contagious spirit all while masterfully handling the teeterboard, juggling clubs, drum kit, and even bath towels. Putting themselves in perilous situations, they offer their souls as well as their bodies to make you laugh, to move you, and to dazzle you.

BRING YOUR FAMILY!

"Brilliant ... Boundary-shattering ... Forget about Cirque du Soleil. Rarely is there an ensemble that can so stunningly give a nod to tradition before blowing it off for something more inventive." – NEW HAVEN INDEPENDENT

DBR En Masse

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018 • 12 P.M.-3 P.M.

Fairfield Campus Free and open to the general public

En Masse, composed by Daniel Bernard Roumain (aka DBR) and directed by Marc Bamuthi Joseph is a large-scale, participatory outdoor performance event created for hundreds of musicians that is entirely new every time it is performed.

Featuring 12 musical vignettes that can be performed by 5 to 500 musicians, *En Masse* invites audience members to experience what it is like to be inside a "deconstructed parade." This collective musical celebration — a cross between a flash mob and a processional — will feature hundreds of performers from throughout Fairfield County who will be spread out along the campus of Fairfield University. Visitors are invited to follow groups of musicians on their path and stay for an hour, or experience the entire musical marathon.

Haitian-American composer/violinist DBR's acclaimed work spans more than two decades, and has been commissioned by venerable artists and institutions worldwide. "About as omnivorous as a contemporary artist gets" (*New York Times*), DBR is perhaps the only composer whose collaborations traverse the worlds of Philip Glass, Bill T. Jones, Savion Glover, and Lady Gaga.

> From rock clubs to symphony halls, the composer, musician, and performer Daniel Bernard Roumain seems unstoppable." – NEW YORK SUN

The Young Artists Series

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018 • 2 P.M. SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2018 • 2 P.M. SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018 • 2 P.M.

Wien Experimental Theatre Free (tickets required)

In collaboration with the New York International Piano Competition and the Stecher and Horowitz Foundation, the Quick Center for the Arts is pleased to bring gifted young pianists in recital three times each year. Whether a classical music lover, teacher, piano student or a family with youngsters, you will find these concerts offer the perfect opportunity to experience some of the finest young artists in the country.



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Global Theatre: A Performance Series

21st Century Women and Ancient Greek Tragedy

Curated by Martha S. LoMonaco, Katherine A. Schwab, and Sara Brill

Antigone, Iphigenia, Medea — some of the most captivating figures in western drama — are title roles in ancient Greek tragedies. These formidable characters were wholly the creation of men since women could not write plays nor perform in public during the Golden Age of Greek Theatre in the 5th century B.C.E. On stage, these women, originally played by male actors, enjoyed central roles but, like their real life counterparts, were vulnerable and held no power outside the home. Yet, their power as characters has enthralled audiences for 25 centuries and has inspired women, and anyone who has struggled to gain rights and privileges throughout the world, to acts of great courage and determination.

21st Century Women and Ancient Greek Tragedy is sponsored by the Fairfield University Humanities Institute.

Unless otherwise noted, events are free and take place at the Quick Center. For reservations, call the Box Office at 203-254-4010.

Iphigenia: Book of Change

Written and directed by Elise Kermani TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017 • 5 P.M.

Dr. Katherine Schwab will lead a Q&A with Dr. Kermani following the screening.

Feminism & Greek Tragedy Roundtable

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2017 • 5 P.M.

Moderated by Dr. Sara Brill, this program brings together three feminist scholars

Iphigenia — Book of Change is the film of a live performance piece inspired by Euripides's plays of Iphigenia as well as stories of contemporary women who have survived captivity.

Theatre Fairfield and Antigone: Sophokles's *Antigone*, in a new translation by Anne Carson

Directed by Dr. Martha S. LoMonaco

OCTOBER 25-28, 2017 8 P.M. OCTOBER 28-29, 2017 2 P.M.

\$15 | \$5 Fairfield University students

Antigone boldly speaks truth to power, instigating a battle of wills with her uncle, King Kreon, who condemns her to death and destroys his family. Carson's refreshing translation brings Sophokles's classic tragedy into the present day. six Greek tragedies, commissioned by leading American theatre companies in response to political crises throughout the world. McLaughlin is best known as the originator of the Angel in

Tony Kushner's *Angels in America*, a role which she played on Broadway and throughout the U.S.



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Keynote address with Ellen McLaughlin THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2017 8 P.M.

Ellen McLaughlin – playwright, actor, and director – will discuss and perform segments from her adaptations of



AMERICAN MUSIC SERIES LISTENING SESSIONS

America's Musical Melting Pot

Curated by Fuzz and Carrie Sangiovanni

Wien Experimental Theatre \$15 General Public | Free for Quick Members, however registration is required by contacting the Box Office at 203-254-4010.



After a successful series in Fall 2016 with Fairfield University professor, Brian Torff, the American Music Series Listening Sessions continue with America's Musical Melting Pot.

Inspired by the big band swing era, the Quintette du Hot Club de France, and early American folk music, Fuzz and Carrie Sangiovanni are the fervent musical couple who front their band, Caravan of Thieves. Having shared the stage with a variety of artists such as Emmylou Harris, Dan Hicks, The Decemberists, Keb' Mo', Tom Tom Club, Punch Brothers, and many others, these engaging musicians will share their ever growing musical knowledge in the continuation of our American Music Listening Series.

America's Musical Melting Pot will share the essential role cultural diversity in America has played in defining its music over the past 100 years. Exploring various artists, songs, and trends in Jazz, Rhythm and Blues, American Folk, Popular and Rock music, Fuzz and Carrie will share how these genres have been influenced by a wide variety of cultures from around the world, living side by side in America.

Listening sessions will include a glass of wine and nosh as we gather in a relaxed environment to engage in learning about the many influences of American music.

> TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018 • 6 P.M. TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018 • 6 P.M. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018 • 6 P.M.

Open MINDS Institute Fall 2017

Open MINDS Institute is an exploratory 'classroom without walls' presenting topical seminars and workshops. Guided by master professors, your commitment to the 'life of the mind' is rewarded with stimulating, topical ideas. With no homework or tests — this is the kind of learning you always hoped for: pure educational enrichment! These classes are entirely participatory seeking ongoing dialogue between teachers and students as a learning partnership.

Courses are \$290 each. QCA Member price per course is \$275. Enroll in two or more courses and enjoy a discounted price of just \$250 per course. Orders can be made using the order form, by calling the Quick Center Box Office at 203-254-4010, or at quickcenter.com.

Four Great Masters/Four Great Centuries

Instructor: Fiona Garland Begins September 5 - Ends October 10 Tuesdays 10 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.



Giotto, van Eyck, Leonardo, and Velazquez are giant names in the history of western art. Their paintings demonstrate the very essence of artistic genius offering inspiration and beauty across the generations. From Florence to Flanders and from Milan to Madrid they defined their centuries' artistic output while responding to the cultural contexts of their time. Each lecture will bring to life one of these artists in a dynamic presentation, also exploring both their influence and

influences. Students are encouraged to offer their own responses and reflections after each lecture. The final class will meet at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in NYC for an on-site analysis and appreciation of examples of their great works. By the end of the course you will have a deeper understanding of how these painters came to address the high points of their cultural setting.

FIONA GARLAND earned her MA in Art History from the Courtauld Institute in London, specializing in Venetian art. Teaching in a lively and engaging style, she has guided tours of art museums and churches across Europe and North America. Ms. Garland is a member of the Advisory Committee for the Fairfield University Art Museum.

Four Giants of American Music: George Gershwin, Leonard Bernstein, Aaron Copland, Richard Rodgers

Instructor: Orin Grossman

Begins September 27- Ends October 25 Wednesdays 10 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

Explore the fascinating lives and music of four American music legends, and the ways in which these musicians changed the landscape of music in the United States. The course will trace the life and influences of each songwriter, highlighting seminal events and major accomplishments. Each class will feature full piano performances of selections by these brilliant musicians. The final class will sum up your journey and feature a preview of an upcoming concert featuring Orin's musical family. The class will have an opportunity to preview the music and talk to the musicians with special backstage 'meet and greet.'



DR. ORIN GROSSMAN has been delighting audiences with his unique approach to performing and explaining American and European music. As a performer, he is an indemand interpreter of the music of George Gershwin, playing his songs and classical compositions around the world. He performed Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* and gave the Russian premiere of Gershwin's *Second Rhapsody* with the St. Petersburg Philharmonic to a standing ovation. As a star professor for 'One Day University' he has a unique talent for educating and entertaining with a disarming wit and easily comprehended intelligence.

Outraged, or Just Out of Sorts? — Making and Keeping Peace in Your Family, Social Club, or Workplace

Instructor: Trevor Mullineaux

Begins October 5 - Ends November 2 Thursdays 11 A.M. - 12:45 P.M.



Explore the emotional, intellectual and value systems underpinning our discussions in an age of divisiveness and anger using attachment theory, relational interaction, selfawareness and reactivity in a lively discussion format to enlighten and hopefully smooth those pesky "family and friends" discussions. This open-ended workshop offers a road map for those tricky situations impacting our day to day. We are all dealing with the inevitable conflicts, problems, and issues within families and our partnerships. We even feel vulnerable expressing our views in our social relationships, clubs, civic organizations, community charities, and extended social networks. Referencing John Bowlby,

Sue Johnson, Jim Coan, Jon Kabat-Zinn, and many more thought leaders in the fields of relationships, self-awareness and meditation, Ms. Mullineaux hopes to spark discussion, and find new ways to look at old problems through the lens of understanding personal reactivity and empathy.

TREVOR MULLINEAUX is an Author, Talk Show Host, Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist (LMFT), and ICEEFT Certified Emotionally Focused Therapist (EFT) Supervisor specializing in relational therapy. Trevor believes that our well-being is profoundly affected by the quality of our relationships. Her 2013 book, *Forging Healthy Connections: How Relationships Fight Illness, Aging and Depression*, proves her theory: the healthier our relationships are, the healthier we are physically, living longer and more productively. She is a founding member of the New York Center for Emotionally Focused Therapy and holds an MBA from Harvard Business School.

You, on the Aisle: Re-Thinking the Greatest American Films

Instructor: Peter J. Fox Begins October 11-Ends November 8 Wednesdays 1 P.M.-2:30 P.M.

How has Hollywood's dream factory responded to the dramatic challenges that states of crises, political, and social changes have posed to our democracy? Which films have combined the most powerful social commentary with performances that are memorable and entertaining?

From *King Kong* to *Star Wars, Gone with the Wind* to *American Hustle*, this class familiarizes students with popular films produced during crucial junctures in the modern history of the United States. Each week, the class members will select a film from a group of films that will be assigned for viewing before the next class convenes. After viewing, detailed examination of the assigned films will cover how the



film came to be produced — including details from the development, distribution and public response to the film. This is an in depth look at the movie industry from multiple perspectives including the financial backing, distribution, challenges of production, and the impact of premieres, audience and critical responses. Film clips will help provide an in depth look into these iconic films in these five relaxed, but fast paced sessions.

PETER J. FOX is a third generation member of the Hollywood community. He is the grandson of silent era star Rosa Rudami, an actress who later became a screenwriter for Cecil B. DeMille. His father, Peter C. Fox, was the first publisher to mass-produce movie program booklets which were sold at theaters across the world between 1958 and 1980. Peter J. Fox holds a Master of Fine Arts in screenwriting from the American Film Institute, and has worked as a story analyst and reader at Paramount, Universal, Sony Pictures, MGM and TriStar pictures. He is Executive Producer of *A Summer Dance*, a full-length feature scheduled for release in Spring 2018.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2017 Norma (Bellini) 1 P.M. (live) and 6 P.M. (encore) 12:15 P.M. Pre-talk

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017 The Exterminating Angel (Adès) 1 P.M. (encore) and 6 P.M. (encore) 12:15 P.M. Pre-talk

> SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018 *Tosca* (Puccini) 1 P.M. (live) and 6 P.M. (encore)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018 L'Elisir d'Amore (Donizetti) 12 P.M. (live) and 6 P.M. (encore) 11:15 A.M. Pre-talk

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018 La Bohème (Puccini) 12:30 P.M. (live) and 6 P.M. (encore) 11:30 a.m. Pre-talk

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018 Semiramide (Rossini) 1 P.M. (live) and 6 P.M. (encore)

SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2018 Così fan tutte (Mozart) 1 P.M. (live) and 6 P.M. (encore)

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018 Luisa Miller (Verdi) 12:30 P.M. (live) and 6 P.M. (encore)

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National Theatre Live

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Angels in America, Part 1 Millennium Approaches Sunday, August 13, 2017 • 3 P.M. Now in its eighth season, NT Live delivers HD broadcasts of stage performances captured live at London's National Theatre, as well as insider footage and interviews. As one of the preeminent theatres in England, National Theatre offers a wide array of productions including the restaging of classic works and premieres of new plays. Join us at The Quick for a front-row seat to the London stage!

Angels in America, Part 2 Perestroika

Sunday, August 20, 2017 • 3 P.M.



America in the mid-1980s. In the midst of the AIDS crisis and a conservative Reagan administration, New Yorkers grapple with life and death, love and sex, heaven and hell.

Andrew Garfield (*Silence, Hacksaw Ridge*) plays Prior Walter along with a cast including Denise Gough (*People, Places and Things*), Nathan Lane (*The Producers*), James McArdle (*Star Wars: The Force Awakens*) and Russell Tovey (*The Pass*).

This new staging of Tony Kushner's multi-award winning two-part play is directed by Olivier and Tony award winning director Marianne Elliott (*The Curious Incident* of the Dog in the Night-Time and War Horse). Part One: Millennium Approaches was first performed at the National Theatre in 1992 and was followed by Part Two: Perestroika the following year.

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Richard Lytle: A Retrospective SEPTEMBER 15, 2017-FEBRUARY 3, 2018

Richard Lytle (American, b. 1935) has been exhibiting his work internationally since the mid-1950s. Mastery of color is a hallmark of his paintings and watercolors, which range from realist to abstraction, and which have always found its inspiration in the organic world. His dreamlike images move across spaces suggestive of landscapes often in joyful biomorphic abstraction. Some works

focus on plants and natural shapes that are magnified beyond recognition, while others include elements clearly chosen by the artist for their sensuous colors and patterning.

This exhibition includes early charcoal drawings from the 1960s Nude Figures Series, a selection of Pod Series drawings from the 1970s, as well as watercolors and large oil paintings spanning the breadth of Lytle's career. fairfield.edu/museum

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