

Student dance concert opens tonight

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The University's annual Spring Dance Concert will open tonight and continue through the weekend to celebrate dances of all forms and styles.

Tonight's performance begins at 8 in the Dougherty Dance Theatre (Room 354) in Gerlinger Annex. Additional performances are scheduled for 8 p.m. on Saturday and 7 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$4 general public and \$2.50 students, seniors and children.

"Diversity is the key to this year's show," said Kathy Sousa, one of three graduating seniors presenting choreographies in the show. "It has ballet, modern dance, tap and jazz. It's diverse enough where no one will get bored."

"There is a whole bunch of variety." This year's show, as with all previous shows, is produced, directed, choreographed and performed entirely by students, comprising a cast and crew list of 75.

"It's really our (the involved students) show," Sousa said. "It's good because it gives us the opportunity to go out on our own. We have some advising from faculty, but it really is our show."

Sousa said that the show will be different than an adult dance show, but that the differences will help to enhance the show.

"A faculty concert would be more mature, but in this show the students add something to it," she explained.

The show, which is expected to run for two hours with a 10 minute intermission, will contain numerous dances, along with three to five dances within each whole dance. Costumes will be



Photo by Sean Poston

Kelly Lehman, Donella Ingham and Saara Carlson practice their dance routine "Filthy McNasty" for the Friday's Student Spring Dance Concert. The show runs through this weekend.

worn for each different dance.

This year's show also offers something new. Three choreographers have chosen not to use music to accompany their dances.

"It's a study on the use of breath," said Sousa, one of the choreographers who has chosen not to use music. "Also, without music the dance calls for more unity, for the dancers to be more in tune and for the dancers to be more aware."

"No music gives it variety because on the norm there is usually music, but yet it also enhances it."

This year's Spring Dance Concert also includes a dance piece that will begin in Dougherty Dance Theatre and continue outdoors.

When the dancers begin to leave the Theatre, "The whole audience gets up and goes outside," Sousa explained.

Julie McCulloch, one of the other graduating senior choreographers, will present her work using the youth in the community.

Her dance will be performed Friday and Saturday nights by a group of 21 fourth and fifth graders from Springfield's Guy Lee Elementary School.

Art

Gallery 141 will feature works by University fine arts students Janelle Lee, Rick Rinehart and John Lloyd from May 21 to 25. Gallery 141 is located near the courtyard in Lawrence Hall.

University Museum of Art will host the annual exhibition of art work by 13 fine arts degree candidates at the University. The exhibit will run from May 20 to June 17.

Calendar

University Museum of Art presents an exhibition of 39 Japanese woodblock prints entitled "Airs of Edo: Japanese Fan Prints" from May 23 to Aug. 26.

Jacobs Gallery, located in the Hult Center, will feature pastels by Satoko and Mixed Media installations by Kerry Wade.

Lane County Historical Museum, 740 West 13th Ave., will cosponsor the exhibit "From Fiber to Fabric" from May 15 to June 17.

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