

# ARTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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## A Week at a Glance...

### Today, February 16th

- School of Music Recital 2:00 p.m., Kaeuper Hall
- Patrick Rafferty Guest Guitar Recital 7:30 p.m. at Kaeuper Hall
- Opening night *Orpheus and the Underworld* 7:30 p.m. at Albert Taylor Theatre.

### Friday, February 17th

- *Orpheus and the Underworld* 7:30 p.m. at Albert Taylor Theatre

### Saturday, February 18th

- Vocal Jazz Festival 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Kirkland Fine Arts Center. Admission is free.
- *Orpheus in the Underworld* 7:30 p.m. at Albert Taylor Theatre

### Sunday, February 19th

- *Orpheus in the Underworld* 2:00 p.m. at Albert Taylor Theatre
- *Percussion Ensemble Synergy* 4 p.m. at Kirkland Fine Arts Center

### Monday, February 20th

- Jazz Ensemble-Chris Reyman, coordinator 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Lock Stock and Barrel

### Thursday, February 23rd

- School of Music recital 2:00 p.m. at Kaeuper Hall

### Thursday, March 1st

- Faculty Chamber Recital featuring Ron YaDeau, Piano; Mark Avery, bassoon; Sharon Chung, viola; and Sol Baer, clarinet 7:30 p.m. at Kaeuper Hall

## Art, Music, Theatre & Dance

### Millikin School of Music and the Department of Theatre and Dance Presents



#### Thursday, February 16th through Sunday, February 19th

Millikin University's Department of Theatre and Dance in partnership with the School of Music will perform Jaques Offenbach's operetta, "*Orpheus in the Underworld*" on Thursday, February 16 through Saturday, February 18 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, February 19 at 2 p.m. in Millikin's Albert Taylor Theatre.

In Jaques Offenbach's lampoon of the Greek myth of Orpheus and Euridice, the couple have come to loathe each other and have decided to pursue other lovers. When Euridice is abducted by Pluto and taken to the underworld Orpheus is overjoyed, until Public Opinion (an actual character) forces him to attempt a rescue. The ensuing arguments among gods, mortals, and "Public Opinion" turn the tragic ending into a happy ending as the stuffy atmosphere on Mt. Olympus yields to the swinging party atmosphere of the Underworld.

Tickets are \$10-\$12 and may be purchased by phone at 217.424.6318, online at [www.kirklandfinearts.com](http://www.kirklandfinearts.com) or at the Kirkland Fine Arts Center Box Office. The Kirkland Fine Arts Center Box Office is open Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and three hours prior to every Kirkland performance, and one hour prior to Albert Taylor Theatre performances. A \$2.50 fee will be charged for credit card purchases. This is a per transaction fee, not per ticket, and applies to online and Box Office orders.

### Percussion Ensemble *Synergy*

Percussion Ensemble Synergy showcases the distinctiveness of Millikin's ubiquitous interdisciplinary alliances through a collaborative concert featuring coactive performances with pianist, Stacey Weidner, the MU Chamber Winds, and members of the MU Dance Ensemble. This year's concert will explore the synergy between percussion chamber music and architecture. The program will include works by Varese, Xenakis, Cage and more. A special intermedia event featuring abstract sculpture by MU art professor, Annette Russo, will take place in the KFAC gallery beginning at 3:45 p.m.

Kirkland Fine Arts Center, 4 p.m. February 19  
Tickets \$8 **KFAC Box office number: 424-6318.**  
Free for MU students and CFA faculty w/MU ID



## Vocal Jazz Festival

The Millikin University School of Music will host the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Vocal Jazz Festival on Saturday, February 18 beginning at 8 a.m. in the Kirkland Fine Arts Center.

The event will feature some of the Midwest's top high school and collegiate jazz ensembles performing in a non-competitive format. The groups will have a chance to work with guest clinicians Kerry Marsh, a recognized composer and arranger specializing in contemporary music for vocal jazz ensembles with published arrangements featured in the *UNC Jazz Press* and *Sound Music Publications*; Julia Dollison, a well-known jazz vocalist, educator, and currently the vocal jazz program coordinator and applied jazz voice instructor at Sacramento State University; and Greg Jasperse, a jazz composer, arranger, recording artist, and educator.

In addition to performing and working with clinicians during the day, the high school & collegiate groups, and the general public will have the opportunity to enjoy a vocal jazz performance by Millikin University's award-winning vocal jazz ensemble, OneVoice, at 1 p.m.

Participating high schools and colleges include:

Niles North High School – Skokie

Parkway West High School – Ballwin, Mo.

Minooka High School – Minooka

Limestone Community High School – Bartonville

Lincoln-Way Central High School – New Lenox

Illinois Valley Central High School – Chillicothe

O'Fallon Township High School – O'Fallon

Peoria Notre Dame High School – Peoria

New Trier High School – Winnetka

Kirkwood High School – Kirkwood, Mo.

Grafton High School – Grafton, WI.

Robert Morris University – Chicago

Highland Community College – Freeport

Cary-Grove High School – Cary

Hononegah High School – Rockton

Carmel Catholic High School – Mundelein

Niles West High School – Skokie

The festival is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.kirklandfinearts.com](http://www.kirklandfinearts.com).



OneVoice

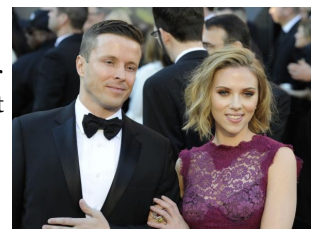
### CFA Patrons Society

The Millikin University College of Fine Arts Patrons Society was created to benefit the over 600 Millikin student-artists participating in nearly 20 degree programs. Membership dues provide budget support and help create special projects which might otherwise go unfunded. The society's mission is to bring together the university and individuals who believe in the promotion and support of the fine and performing arts and the student-artist at Millikin University. If you would like more information about the Patrons Society you can visit the web at [www.millikin.edu/academics/cfa/Pages/PatronSociety](http://www.millikin.edu/academics/cfa/Pages/PatronSociety) or you may also contact us by phone at the College of Fine Arts 217-362-6499 or call the CFA Patrons Society hotline at 217-362-6430.

### Alumni News

On the new show *Smash* this evening, Angelica Huston said to her assistant, "Get me Joe Machota at CAA." Now, if we could have had her say, "Get me Joe Machota, Millikin Graduate..." it would have been ever-so-much better!

Joe is pictured here escorting Scarlett Johansson to the 83rd Academy Awards Ceremony. He is her agent.



Maurice Murphy, '05 will be appearing in the new Broadway musical, *Leap of Faith*. Based on the film starring Steve Martin, *Leap of Faith* will star Raul Esparza. Maurice was a cast member of the world premier of *Leap of Faith* in its Los Angeles run in 2010. Some impressive achievements by our alumni!

An Exhibition of Artists Teapots

# All Steamed Up at Millikin



**Perkinson Gallery • Kirkland Fine Arts Center • Millikin University • 1184 West Main Street  
Decatur, Illinois • January 30, 2012- March 9, 2012  
Gallery Hours: Mon-Fri 12-5 or by appt. Jschietering@millikin.edu**

**Opening Reception, 6-8 pm February 10, 2012**

**Participating Artists:** Dan Anderson • Louis Ballard • Geoffrey Bant • Chris Berti • Susan Bostwick • Tom Brewer • Randy Carlson • Chris Chaney • Bob Dixon • Mary Drabik • Jacob Foran • Todd Frahm • Don Frith • Heidi Preuss Grew  
Matthew Groves • Lisa Harris • Shane Harris • Clara Hoag • Thomas Hoffman • Doug Jeppesen • Vesna Jovanovic • James Kearns • Nixon Khoo • Patty Kochaver • Ron Kovatch • Jayson Lawfer • Jerry McNeil • Cheryl L. Meeker • Eugenia Frith Meltzer  
Marlene Miller • Dwain Naragon • Mary Carolyn Obodzinski • Laura O'Donnell • Elizabeth Paley • Louis Pierozzi • Jodi Rockwell • Angela Rose • Tammie Rubin • Carl Schoenberger • Catherine Schwalbe-Bouzide • Michael Schwegmann  
Albion James Stafford • Billie Jean Theide • Tracy Thomas • Tom Turner • Momoko Usami • Rimas VisGirda • Catherine Wiesener • Matt Wilt • Dustin Yager

(Presented in cooperation with the Cinema Gallery Urbana, Illinois)

## Looking Ahead



### Slide Ireland

Saturday, March 10, 2012 7:30 PM

at Kirkland Fine Arts Center

Tickets: Adult: \$12 | \$18 | \$24 & Child: \$6 | \$8 | \$10

### Rhythmic Circus

Saturday, April 14, 2012 7:30 PM

at Kirkland Fine Arts Center

Tickets: Adult: \$12 | \$18 | \$24 & Child: \$6 | \$8 | \$10

### ABBA Mania

Saturday, May 12, 2012 7:30 PM

at Kirkland Fine Arts Center

Tickets: Adult: \$12 | \$18 | \$24 & Child: \$6 | \$8 | \$10

