



South Pacific Comes to Northern

South Pacific, the classic Rogers and Hammerstein musical, is coming to Ohio Northern University's Freed Center for the Performing Arts Aug. 28-31 and Sept. 12-14. Tickets go on sale Aug. 11.

Featuring sophomore communications arts major Cassie Rea, from Westerville, Ohio, as Nellie Forbush and senior political science major Matt Zimmerman from Sidney, Ohio, as Lt. Joe Cable, the cast also includes local actors Lance Ashmore as Emile de Becque, Lucy Anders as Liat, and Sam Brautigam as Capt. George Brackett.

Set on an island during World War II, two love stories weave their way through the dangers of war and prejudice. Familiar songs include "Bali Hai," "Hello Young Lovers" and "Younger Than Springtime."

The production is directed by Renee Dobson, with musical direction by Lloyd Butler, resident artist and director of ONU's musical theatre program.

For tickets, contact the Freed Center Box Office at (419) 772-1900 or online at www.freedcenter.com

Read about the 2008-09 season at the Freed Center on the back page.

ONU Featured in Princeton Review

Ohio Northern University is once again featured as one of the nation's top schools in the new Princeton Review annual college guide, "The Best 368 Colleges, 2009 Edition."

The rankings in the 2009 edition are based on The Princeton Review's survey of 120,000 students at 368 colleges in the book. The lists report the top-ranked colleges in more than 62 categories covering topics from academics and financial aid to aspects of college life.

ONU students were interviewed about the quality of the University's academics and campus life. ONU students concurred that they "get involved in major-related activities as soon as they arrive on campus. This is much harder to do at a larger school. The opportunities are endless."

Comments about the student body say that students are "usually really dedicated to something and have a strong passion for it. It could be politics, music, sports, religion or anything." They are typically "involved with some organization. Everyone seems to find something they are good at or interested in, whether it's a club, sports or Greek life or all three."



Construction continues on a number of projects on the ONU campus. Above, walls go up on the Mathile Center for the Natural Sciences. Work is also continuing on The Inn at Ohio Northern University and remodeling on Hill Memorial Building. Time schedules call for remodeling to be complete by the time classes resume and for The Inn to be ready to receive guests in October. The Mathile Center will open in fall 2009

General Education Report Available Online

The University Steering Committee on General Education has completed its year-long task of developing a model for a University-wide general education program. The final report can be found at:

www2.onu.edu/~pcroskery/gen-ed/

The Web site includes a link to the executive summary (a one-page account of the committee's recommendations).

In addition, the Web site includes a link to the recommended general education outcomes. To prepare for the fall 2008 opening session, faculty members should take a close look at these outcomes.

The Web site includes a list of the Steering Committee members who are available to discuss the report.

Admissions

Laurie A. Lotz, BA '08, has joined ONU's admissions team as a counselor.

A member of the University's Honors Program, she majored in history, Spanish and German and received the Dankook University award.

While an undergraduate she received the ONU Presidential Scholarship and was a member of Mortar Board National Honor Society, Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Beta Delta, Phi Alpha Theta, Sigma Delta Phi, Delta Phi Alpha and Alpha Lambda Delta.



Development

Brett A. Scott has joined ONU as director of research and prospect management in the development office of University Advancement.

Scott holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from The Ohio State University and a master's degree in higher education with dual specialization in university administration and student development from the University of Denver.

He comes to ONU from the Ohio Board of Regents where he was a data analyst. He is a member of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, Project Management Institute and the Ohio Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.



Northern Summer Events

Pharmacy Golf Day

Aug. 22, Colonial Golfers Club

Volleyball Alumni Match

Aug. 22, ONU

Women's Soccer vs Alumni

Aug. 23, ONU

Men's Soccer vs Alumni

Aug. 23, ONU

Women's Soccer vs Walsh

Aug. 26, ONU

Volleyball Hosts ONU Invitational

Aug 29, 30 ONU

"South Pacific" at the Freed Center

Aug 28, 29, 30, 31

Ticket sales begin Aug. 11.

Contact: the Freed Center, (419) 772-1900

Women's Soccer at RIT Classic

Aug. 31, Rochester, N.Y.

Cross Country at Tiffin University/Heidelberg College Invitational

Aug. 31

For more events, go to:

www-new.onu.edu/event



Campers in ONU's Summer Honors Institute physics camp took their studies from the classroom to Cedar Point to see how the principles apply to roller coasters.

Pharmacy Graduate Honored

Michelle George, PharmD '08, from Akron, Ohio, has been named OSHP pharmacy student of the year.

George is past president of the ONU Student Society of Health System Pharmacists, professional projects chair of the ASP chapter and a member of pharmacy council. She presented a poster at ASHP's midyear clinical meeting on research on NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health) guidelines.



Dealing With Mental Health Issues

Crisis intervention training was held July 25 for campus representatives including those from Security and the Student Affairs response team. Dr. Mike Schafer, director of counseling, outlined the scope of the problem with results from a national survey of counseling center directors. Rebecca Diller, assistant director of the counseling center, described ways to identify at-risk students.

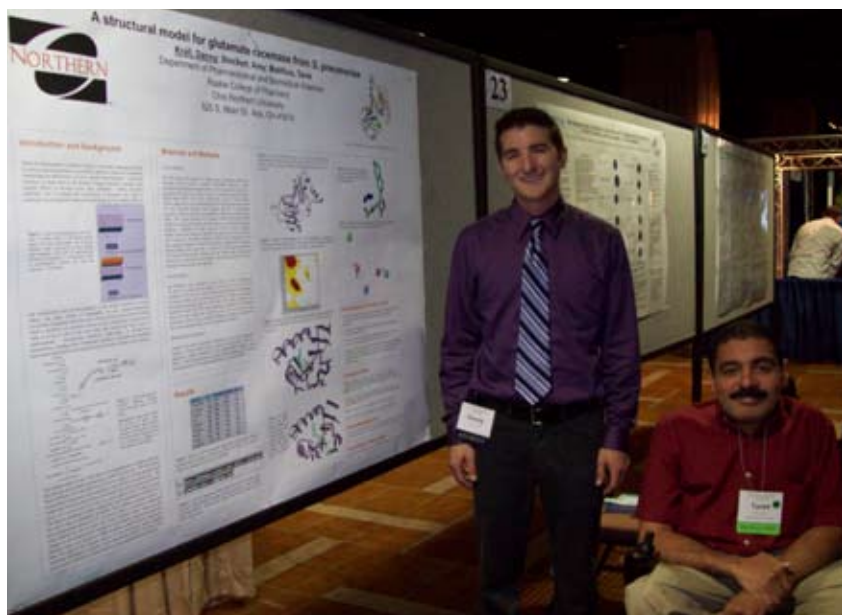
Guidelines for dealing with mental health crises have been updated and are included in the University's emergency plans.

Additional training for campus responders will continue during SART meetings.

At left, Schafer, left, and Diller, right, talk with Dean of Students Adriane Thompson-Bradshaw and Director of Multicultural Development Clyde Pickett.

Present Research

Tarek M. Mahfouz, Ph.D., assistant professor of pharmaceutical chemistry and Danny Krall, a fourth-year pharmacy student from Columbus, Ohio, presented a poster in the AACP (American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy) meeting in Chicago. The poster title was "A structural model for glutamate racemase from *S. pneumoniae*." It describes how Mahfouz and Krall developed a structural model for an enzyme that is essential for the survival of pathogenic bacteria and how they used the model to develop new antibacterial drugs.



Summer Honors Institute forensic camp students take their work to the fields of the Tidd Farm, looking for evidence. Here they prepare to examine a "corpse" and collect samples to take back for laboratory analysis.

This year's Summer Honors Institute included programs ranging from theatre to nursing, and aquatic ecology to entrepreneurship.

In addition, sports, music, engineering and a new Japanese camp have brought high school students to campus to experience ONU.

Freed Center Season

September

Whose Live Anyway?

Sept. 20

Starring comedians Ryan Stiles, Greg

Proops, Chip Esten and Jeff Davis

Defending the Caveman

Sept. 27

The longest-running solo show on Broadway.

October

Magic Tree House®: The Musical

Oct. 1

A fully staged musical for audiences of all ages.

Laughing Liberally

Oct. 4

Saving democracy one laugh at a time!

15 Years of Dance at ONU

Oct. 11

Celebrate the 15th Anniversary of the ONU dance department!

Dr. Steven C. Amstrup - Speaker

Oct. 15

Dr. Amstrup is a research wildlife biologist with the United States Geological Survey at the Alaska Science Center. He has

conducted research on polar bear ecology in the Beaufort Sea since 1980.

Micky Dolenz

Oct. 18

Homecoming concert with Micky Dolenz from The Monkees!

ONU Alumni Jazz Band

Oct. 19

The ONU Alumni Jazz Band will present big band standards as well as other favorites.

The Thin Line

Oct. 21

McIntosh Center Ballroom

This 30-minute presentation will explore the struggles and the effects of eating disorders.

Animal Passions, Beauty, Virtues and Wild Justice

Dr. Marc Bekoff - Speaker

2008 Keiser Distinguished Lectureship in Life Sciences.

Oct. 28

Dr. Bekoff, professor emeritus of ecology and evolutionary biology at the University of Colorado, will discuss animal behavior, the study of animal minds and behavioral ecology.

About Face

Oct. 29–Nov. 2

A hysterically funny play of mistaken identity and farcical confusion.

November

Marching Band-O-Rama

Nov. 9

The ONU Marching Band, under the direction of Dr. Charles Bates.

December

ONU Holiday Spectacular

Dec. 5- 7 at the Freed Center for the Performing Arts

Dec. 12-14, Veteran's Memorial Civic and Convention Center, Lima

Enjoy the holiday family tradition!

Expectations with the ONU Wind Ensemble

Dec. 16

The ONU Wind Ensemble, under its new director, Dr. Thomas Hunt

ONU Jazz Ensemble

Dec. 18

Join the Northern Lights Jazz Ensemble for big band tunes and jazz standards.

January

The Velveteen Rabbit

Jan. 15

The Enchantment Theatre Company combines original music, extraordinary

puppets, masks and magic into an unforgettable theatrical experience for the whole family!

C.V. (before he changed history)

Jan. 17

Bryan Beckwith, BFA '07, in a one-man show focusing on the early life of Adolf Hitler. This play has been nominated for the best Fringe Theatre Show 2008.

The Kite Runner

One Book, One Community, One Play

Jan. 24

Partnering with local schools and Ohio Northern University, the Freed Center

brings this riveting *New York Times* bestselling novel to the stage in a solo

performance.

Verb Ballets and the ONU Dance Company

Jan. 31

One of Ohio's finest jewels, Verb Ballets, join forces with the ONU Dance Company.

February

Cabaret

Feb. 11–15

This Tony Award-winning musical returns to the ONU stage after 25 years!

Symphonic Band Concert

Feb. 19

Dr. Charles Bates conducts the ONU Symphonic Band.

Polar Bear Day

Feb. 21,

All-Day Free Event

As part of ONU's Polar Bear Nation Program, the Freed Center presents a day for children.

ONU Symphony Orchestra A Journey

Unfinished

Feb. 21

The Ohio Northern University Symphony Orchestra and the University Singers present Mozart's Grand Mass in C minor, Schubert's

Symphony No. 8 "Unfinished" and a world-premiere performance of Joseph Curiale's *Silent Snow*, commissioned by ONU to reflect on the changing climate.

Pictures with the ONU Wind Ensemble

Feb. 22

The ONU Wind Ensemble, under its new director Dr. Thomas Hunt, presents *Pictures*, a concert of music for winds and percussion inspired by visual art.

March

Elizabeth Kolbert - Speaker

March 13

Part of the Polar Bear Nation program, the journalist and author of "Kolbert's Field Notes from a Catastrophe: Man, Nature, and Climate Change," brings the environment into focus.

Late Nite Catechism

March 14

"Uproarious interactive theatre" and "a HOWLING comedy."

April

The Seventh International Play Festival—

20th Anniversary of the Fall of the Berlin Wall

April 1–5

To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, Berliner Steffi Hensel has been commissioned to write a one-act for this year's festival. Andreas Liebmann, currently from Berlin, will direct and create an intercultural performance piece of his own with ONU students.

May

Grand Hotel

April 29–May 2

The Freed Center, in association with the ONU departments of music and communication arts, presents a musical masterpiece.

Spring Band Festival XXXIV

May 10

For 34 years, 100 of the finest high-school musicians in the state of Ohio have come to Ohio Northern for the Spring Band Festival.

ONU Jazz Ensemble

May 12

An evening of sizzling and seductive jazz under the direction of Dr. David Kosmyna

Beethoven 3 with the ONU Symphony

Orchestra

May 16

Conductor Lloyd Butler leads an evening of two of Beethoven's greatest works: Symphony No. 3 "Eroica" and Piano Concerto No. 3, featuring ONU Music Department's Piano Faculty member, Dr. Rebecca Casey.