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**Fall 2019
Events Guide**

Hammer Theatre Events



Premiere San José State University music, theatre, dance, and guest speaker events



National Geographic Live, Sundance Film Institute, and other educational lectures



Music from around the world, including jazz, blues, reggae, and world music



Performances featuring world-class dance companies



Live theatre and off-Broadway theatrical productions



Screenings such as National Theatre Live, Stratford Festival, and West End



Performances that connect arts, technology, and multi-media



Holiday music, dance, and theatrical events



About the Hammer Theatre

The Hammer Theatre Center is a unique performing arts facility that serves as a nexus between San José State University, the city of San José, the Bay Area, and local and global talent. We offer innovative programming that reflects Silicon Valley's culture of creativity, diversity, and technology.

Friends of the Hammer Theatre

Friends of the Hammer are individual or corporate supporters who sustain the vision and mission of the Hammer Theatre, serving the University and community through high-quality programming expressive of the unique characteristics and diverse cultures that comprise Silicon Valley.



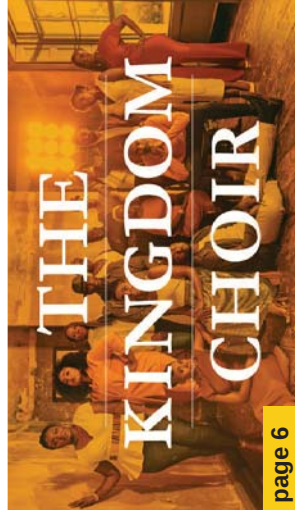
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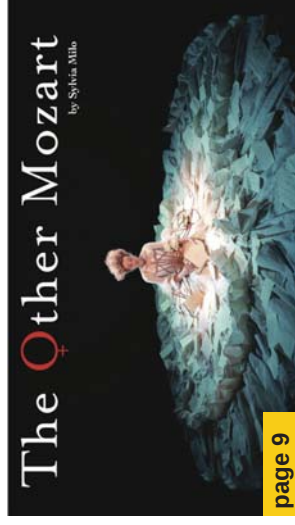
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Credit: Courtesy of the University of North Carolina-Asheville

Kaleidoscope!

SJSU School of Music and Dance
10/25 @ 7:30PM

Kaleidoscope!, an annual live show presented by talented performers of SJSU's School of Music and Dance! A rapid-fire musical and dance spectrum running from Bernstein to tango, from the Spartan Marching Band to improvisational dance.



The Democracy Project

SJSU Department of Art & Art History
10/10 @ 7:00 PM

According to many voters worldwide, democratic political systems are no longer working. Artist and experimental philosopher Jonathan Keats discusses the implications of robotic democracy and his collaboration with SJSU students to design an interface that will visualize politics without politicians.



Borderlands

Blurring Boundaries
Breaking Barriers
Building Bridges

HammerSpeaks



Deep
Humanities

Deep Humanities Series

The Deep Humanities & Arts Series leverages the arts and humanities to engage the most important questions of our time



Jonathan Franzen

9/20 @ 7:00PM

Jonathan Franzen is the author of five novels, including *Freedom* and *The Corrections*, and five works of non-fiction and translation, including *The Kraus Project* and *Farther Away*, all published by FSG. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters, the German Akademie der Künste, and the French Ordre des Arts et des Lettres.

**Beyond Borders: DSGD 104
Design Student Exhibition**

Aug. 16-18/9:00AM-6:00PM
Hammer Theatre

**CLA Presents: Reed 152
Featuring Naomi Shihab Nye**

Sept. 20/7:00PM
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**Shanghai Quartet
in Concert**

Oct. 12/7:00PM
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**A Conversation
with Sonia Nazario**

Oct. 23/7:00PM
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**A Bilingual Reading and
Conversation with Mexican
Poet, Balam Rodrigo**

Nov. 14, 15/3:00PM-5:00PM
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***Dreamer Project:
An Undocuplay***

Nov. 15, 16, 21-23/7:30PM
Nov. 20/11:00AM
Nov. 24/1:00PM
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Bang-Bang You're Dead

Dec. 4-6/11:00AM
Dec. 7/1:00PM & 7:30PM
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AND THE ARTS



The Kingdom Choir
Hammer Presents
9/10 @ 7:30PM
Following their critically acclaimed performance at Harry and Meghan's Royal Wedding, the London-based Kingdom Choir bring their infectious joy and inspiration to the Hammer Theatre on the sensational *Stand By Me* tour.

Joshua Radin & The Weepies

Hammer Presents
10/11 @ 7:30PM
Internationally acclaimed singer/songwriter Joshua Radin and iconic indie duo The Weepies team up this fall in a tour presented by Sirius XM's The Coffee House with special guest, Lily Kershaw.



Shanghai Quartet

Hammer Presents
10/12 @ 7:30PM
One of the world's foremost chamber ensembles, the Shanghai Quartet's elegant style melds the delicacy of Eastern music with the emotional breadth of Western repertoire, allowing it to traverse musical genres including traditional Chinese folk music, masterpieces of Western music, and cutting-edge contemporary works.



Kitka Women's Vocal Ensemble w/ Hasmik Harutyunyan

Hammer Presents
10/19 @ 7:30PM
Founded in 1979 as an offshoot of the Westwind International Folk Ensemble, Kitka began as a grassroots group of amateur singers from diverse ethnic and musical backgrounds who shared a passion for the stunning dissonances, asymmetric rhythms, intricate ornamentation, and resonant strength of traditional Eastern European women's vocal music.



Black Cab Jazz is a brand new collaboration between San Jose Jazz, San José State University, and the Hammer Theatre, bringing to you an intimate cabaret experience featuring some of the best names in modern jazz.



Black Cab Jazz Series: Kendrick Scott

10/20 @ 7:00PM
Drummer and composer Kendrick Scott kicked off his Blue Note contract four years ago with *We Are The Drum*, earning rave reviews and reiterating how Oracle, Scott's long-running working group, is one of the most thoughtfully powerful jazz bands of its generation.



Black Cab Jazz Series: Quiana Lynell

11/8 @ 7:00PM
In 2017, Quiana Lynell made her salient mark on the jazz-and-beyond musical world as a wise, heartfelt, warm vocalist whose voice is singular in its soul, intensity, ecstasy, and outright spiritual courage. When Lynell takes the stage, she guides listeners on a journey where "jazz collides with soul", allowing the simplest of melodies to entrance the listener.



Storm Large

Hammer Presents

12/7 @ 7:00PM (American Songbook)

12/7 @ 9:30PM (unbuttoned)

Storm Large: musician, actor, playwright, author, awesome. She performs favorites like "Lady Is A Tramp" and "My Funny Valentine" from the Great American Songbook, reflecting the many faces of love, life, and loss.

Dance

MOMIX

Hammer Presents

10/20 & 10/21 @ 7:30PM

10/21 @ 10:00AM (student)

Experience the Exceptional... Expect the Unexpected! Transporting audiences from their everyday lives to a fantasy world through its trademark use of magical lighting and imagery, MOMIX has thrilled fans in over 22 countries and has been featured on stage, screen, and television.



Son Luna y Jóvenes Zapateadores

Hammer Presents

12/5 @ 7:30PM

Merging different rhythms and dance styles, Mexican musical ensemble, Son Luna, provides the traditional music of Veracruz, Mexico while dance troupe, Jóvenes Zapateadores showcases the evolution of Son Jarocho roots with different rhythms and dance styles.



The Other Mozart

by Sylvia Milo



The Other Mozart

Hammer Presents

9/26 & 27 @ 7:30PM

The Other Mozart is the true and untold story of Maria Anna (Nannerl) Mozart, the sister of Amadeus—a prodigy keyboard virtuoso and composer who performed throughout Europe with her brother to equal acclaim, but her work and her story faded away, lost to history.

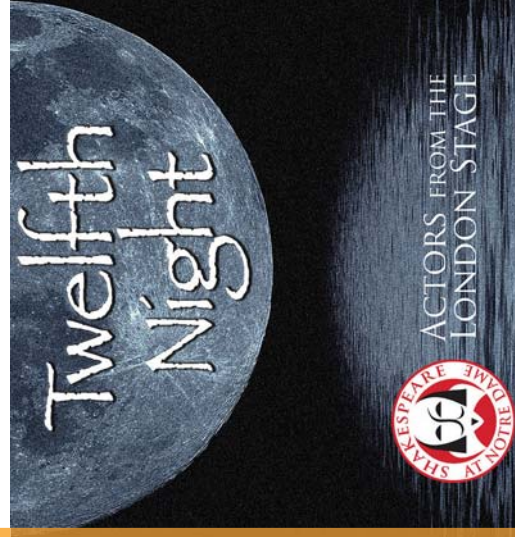
Actors from the London Stage: Twelfth Night

Hammer Presents

10/18 @ 2:00PM, 7:00PM

10/19 @ 2:00PM

Mistaken identities, disguises, and love triangles: Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* sees the great playwright blending his comic and dramatic devices with masterful dexterity. This deliriously enjoyable romantic comedy is presented by one of the oldest Shakespeare theatre companies in the world, Actors from the London Stage.





National
Theatre
Live

NT Live: *One Man, Two Guvnors*
National Theatre Live - Screening
9/5 @ 7:00PM | 9/8 @ 2:00PM
Featuring a Tony Award-winning performance from host of the *The Late Late Show*, James Corden, the hilarious West End and Broadway hit *One Man, Two Guvnors* returns to cinemas to mark National Theatre Live's 10th birthday.



National
Theatre
Live

NT Live: *The Lehman Trilogy*
National Theatre Live - Screening
9/12 @ 7:00PM | 9/15 @ 2:00PM
An American epic begins: three young men from Bavaria arrive on the New York docks in 1844. 163 years later, the firm they establish—Lehman Brothers—collapses into bankruptcy, triggering the largest financial crisis in history.



National
Theatre
Live

NT Live: *Hamlet*
National Theatre Live - Screening
10/3 @ 7:00PM | 10/6 @ 2:00PM
Academy Award-nominee Benedict Cumberbatch (BBC's *Sherlock*, *The Imitation Game*) takes on the title role of Shakespeare's great tragedy.



National
Theatre
Live

NT Live: *Frankenstein*
National Theatre Live - Screening
10/13 @ 2:00PM & 7:00PM
Benedict Cumberbatch and Jonny Lee Miller alternate between the roles of Victor Frankenstein and his creation.



**Mariachi Sol de Mexico:
A Merry-Achi Christmas**
Hammer Presents
11/29 @ 3:00PM, 7:30PM
How is Christmas celebrated in the Southwest? With traditional carols played by a mariachi of course! And this November, Mariachi Sol de Mexico®, with the blazing sounds of its 13-piece ensemble, brings to life a festive, joyous holiday celebration. Unprecedented, unrivaled, and uninhibited, the impact of José Hernández and his Sol de Mexico on mariachi and all music is undeniable.

**Holiday music, dance,
and theatrical events**



**Cool Yule: SJSU Jazz
Orchestra**
SJSU School of Music & Dance
12/4 @ 7:30PM
Celebrate the start of the holiday season with this concert of cool jazz and hot holiday favorites.



**The San Jose
Nutcracker**
The New Ballet School
12/13-24
The well-loved story of Clara and the Nutcracker features historical references to the history and heritage of Santa Clara Valley.



**My Very First
Nutcracker**
The New Ballet School
12/14,15, 21-24 @ 11:00AM
A special shortened version of *The San Jose Nutcracker* for young audiences—great for toddlers!

A Look Ahead: Spring 2020

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Shannon Wild: Pursuit of the Black Panther

1/29 @ 10:00AM (student)
1/29 @ 7:30PM

Wildlife photographer and cinematographer Shannon Wild is a passionate conservationist who works wherever the wildlife calls. In her 15 years documenting wildlife, she's been mauled by a cheetah, charged by an elephant, and bitten countless times by snakes and lizards. But her most recent assignment might prove her most difficult yet: producing a documentary about a rare black panther—the only one living in 250 square miles of dense forest in southern India.

Kakani Katija: Designed by Nature

2/12 @ 7:30PM
2/13 @ 10:00AM (student)

A former member of the U.S. International Figure Skating Team, bioengineer Kakani Katija now studies the graceful movements of life below the surface. Join her for a fascinating look at one of the least explored ecosystems on our planet—the ocean's midwaters—and learn how its inhabitants could lead to breakthroughs in bio-inspired design.



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David Guttenfelder: A Rare Look, North Korea to Cuba

4/1 @ 7:30PM

From North Korea to Cuba, David Guttenfelder has gained unprecedented, intimate access to nations isolated by politics, using his cameras to examine the way people really live and making connections around the world through social media. His talent for crossing long-closed borders has led to some of National Geographic's most revealing geopolitical photo essays, as well as connecting people around the world through social media platforms like Instagram.

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Live!

THE
GREAT
COURSES
plus

Kara Cooney: When Women Ruled the World

5/20 @ 7:30PM
5/21 @ 10:00AM (student)

When it comes to women in power, we've come a long way...right? Join Dr. Kara Cooney, professor of Egyptology, for a look at a time in ancient history when women ruled the world. Often neglected in the history books, these women were considered exceptions to the rule, political pawns in a patriarchal society. But their power and influence is undeniable. What can we learn from how these women ruled? Dr. Cooney shares some illuminating answers.

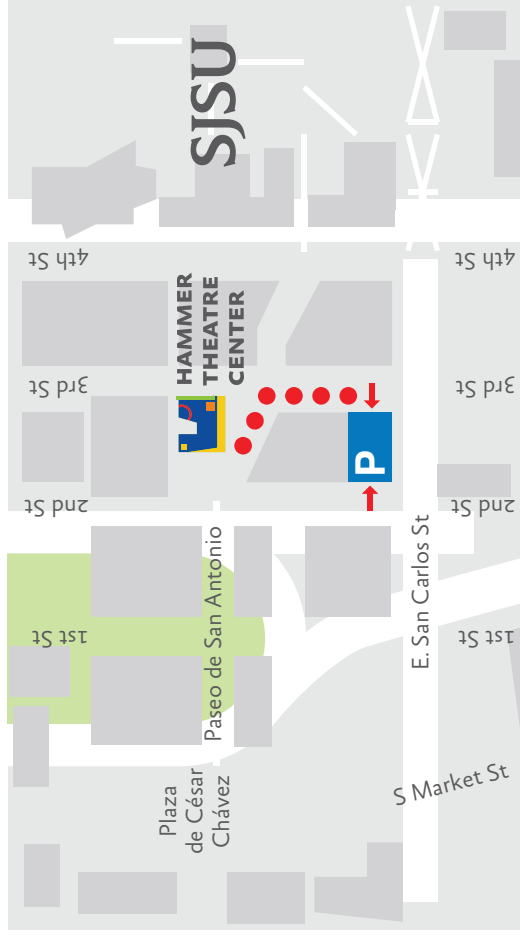
“...unbelievable behind-the-scenes stories and stunning images and video—live onstage.”
— National Geographic ”



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MONTH	EVENT	DATES/TIMES
September		
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10	The Kingdom Choir	9/10 @ 7:30PM
26, 27	The Other Mozart	9/26 & 27 @ 7:30PM
October		
3, 6	NT Live — Screening: <i>Hamlet</i>	10/3 @ 7PM, 10/6 @ 2PM
11	Joshua Radin & The Weepies	7:30PM
12	Shanghai Quartet	7:30PM
12, 15	NT Live — Screening: <i>The Lehman Trilogy</i>	10/12 @ 7PM, 10/15 @ 2PM
13	NT Live — Screening: <i>Frankenstein</i>	h2PM, 7PM
18, 19	Actors from the London Stage: <i>Twelfth Night</i>	10/18 @ 2PM, 7PM, 10/19 @ 2PM
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29	Mariachi Sol de Mexico, A Merry-Achi Christmas	3PM, 7:30PM
December		
4	Cool Yule: Jazz Orchestra	7:30PM
5	Son Luna y Jóvenes Zapateadores	7:30PM
7	Storm Large	7PM (American Songbook) 9:30PM (unbuttoned)
13-24	The San Jose Nutcracker	check website
14, 15, 21-24	My Very First Nutcracker	11AM

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The Hammer Theatre is conveniently located in downtown San José, just a block from the Paseo de San Antonio bus and light rail stops. Parking is available nearby at the 2nd and San Carlos Garage and other downtown lots.

TICKETING

- All patrons, regardless of age, must have a ticket.
- There are no refunds unless a performance is cancelled or rescheduled.
- Exchange policies vary and are set by the presenter of each event.
- Wheelchair seating in the Orchestra or Balcony is available at time of ticket purchase.
- It is recommended to contact Patron Services if you need further arrangements, or have questions about limited mobility accessibility.
- The Parterre seating section is only accessible by stairs.

INSIDE THE THEATRE

- No smoking
- No outside food or drink
- Silence cell phones
- The use of any recording devices, either audio or video, and the taking of photographs, with or without flash, is strictly prohibited.
- We welcome Service Animals, no pets please. While Emotional Support Animals or Comfort Animals are often used as a part of a medical treatment plan as therapy animals, they are not considered service animals under the ADA. Thank you for your understanding.

Box Office: (408) 924-8501

Weekdays, 12:00–5:00PM

& prior to performances

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