



DO YOU WANT TO BE IN THEATRE?

UVic Department of Theatre opens doors to prospective students

Prospective Student Information Session

I Want to Be in Theatre!

Saturday January 24, 2009

11:30am – 3:00pm

Phoenix Building, University of Victoria

High school students interested in studying theatre at the University of Victoria are invited to learn more about the Department of Theatre at this information session which includes: backstage tours, attending a rehearsal, meeting and mingling with current faculty, staff and students and a campus tour. (Pizza lunch provided).

Phoenix Theatre 2008/2009 Season

3 LA RONDE

February 19 – 28, 2009

By Arthur Schnitzler

Directed by Conrad Alexandrowicz

Follow the trail of love, passion and seduction through Vienna society in the 1890s.

4 THE MEDEA

March 19 – 28, 2009

By Euripides

Directed by Linda Hardy

A disturbing yet powerful Greek tragedy of the revenge of Medea, a woman whose passion and love lead to her own destruction.

Want to be an actor? How about a set designer? Or maybe you're an aspiring writer? The Department of Theatre at the University of Victoria is opening its doors to high school students who are interested in learning more about how they can continue their studies in theatre arts.

The Department of Theatre's faculty and staff welcome prospective students to attend an information session on **Saturday, January 24, 2009** to learn about UVic's comprehensive approach to theatre arts. Students can experience what the department has to offer, including courses in acting, applied theatre (theatre for education, social change or community-building), set, costume or lighting design, directing, theatre production and management, theatre history and theatre writing. At the information session they can:

- Take a backstage tour of the Phoenix Theatre's facilities including three stage areas
- Watch a rehearsal scene of the Phoenix Theatre's upcoming play *La Ronde* (Directed by Conrad Alexandrowicz and running February 19 -28, 2009)
- Meet and mingle with current faculty, staff and students over a pizza lunch
- Learn about each specialization and which courses to take
- Find out how to apply for September 2009
- Go on a guided tour of campus (optional).

"Choosing a university is a big decision in a person's life," says Department Chair, Warwick Dobson. "It's important for students to know as much as they can about where they will spend four years of their life and what they will be learning there. We want to give students the chance to experience all we have to offer here at UVic."

Students (grades 10 – 12) who are interested in continuing their studies in theatre, their parents and teachers are welcome to attend. Interested students should fill out the registration form on the Theatre website (follow link from home page) www.finearts.uvic.ca/theatre and fax it to 250.721.6596 by the **January 16, 2009 deadline**.

UVic's Department of Theatre offers a 4-year BFA degree with a specialization or a generalist designation and a BA Honours in Theatre History. The department is the home of the award-winning Phoenix Theatre and presents four plays each season. Phoenix Theatre productions, actors and designers have been nominated for and received many Victoria Critic's Choice and "M" awards. Their plays welcome over 10 000 audience members annually. Students learn about all aspects of theatre and participate in every facet of the Phoenix Theatre productions from onstage to backstage. This comprehensive approach combines an academic education with hands-on experience and produces internationally acclaimed theatre artists. Alumni include:

T.J. Dawe (BFA '97), writer, performer

Dennis Garnhum (BFA '90), artistic director (Theatre Calgary)

Erin Karpluk (BFA '00), television actor (*Being Erica*, CBC Television)

Janet Munsil (BFA '89), playwright, director, festival producer

Peter Outerbridge (BFA '88), television actor (*ReGenesis*)

Charles Ross (BFA '98), stage actor (*One Man Star Wars*)

Sara Topham (BFA '98), television and stage actor (Stratford Festival)

For more information about this information event or the programs at UVic's Department of Theatre visit www.finearts.uvic.ca/theatre.

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