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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The January General Meeting was an energetic way to start of the new year. Thanks to The Living Tradition for a musical experience with Celtic Harpist , Aeden MacDonnell and the informative presentation and delicious refreshments from the Assistance League of Anaheim.

**'Every time we eliminate the arts, which speaks to our souls, we're creating chaos'** - Edson Silva, jazz percussionist waiting for a No. 1 train on Manhattan's West Side a few days before Christmas

From 1992 – 2008 there had been a 'Poetry in Motion' campaign in Manhattan's Upper West Side, in which famed verses were used to fill thousands of subway cars and these were nettled amongst the various advertisings. An additional 2 -year literacy campaign had been added. The quote above from Silva was to express and share his concern that this uplifting program and 'way of delivering a bit of joy and enlightenment along the subway ride' was being discontinued. For many of the travelers, this may have been the only sources of 'art' in an otherwise dreary and mundane commute. How sad!

We art lovers and artists have to stay the course to make sure that we keep the beacon lit and strongly burning. Let us strengthen our resolve to continue supporting, communicating, encouraging and collaborating with other artists, arts organizations, students, businesses, in fact everyone. Let us increase our memberships, broaden our horizons and keep thriving. I will challenge every member of the Arts Council to invite and bring at least one guest (three would be better) to our February General Meeting.

The arts and cultural communities and their supporters know that they provide substantial and important service that is more than fluff, elitist or a luxury. It is basic fuel and enrichment in all aspects of our lives,

Over the past years there have been a number of studies that have exposed us to the very fact that we are essential to the well being of the community at large.

Attempts were made to understand why the public held certain attitudes and beliefs (both negative and positive) and whether or not the public was motivated to act in support of valuations of the arts, and if not, why not. One study was designed to provide the arts community with reliable information and data on the attitude of the public towards the arts.

In California and indeed throughout the country the arts have proven to be a most valuable asset by being one of the components evidenced in the contribution to the economy, academic performance and skill enhancement of students and to the general civic life. Here in California and certainly in Anaheim, the arts are essential to the major economic engines that drives tourism and entertainment. Despite this the arts is constantly denigrated when public funding and resources are in decline and is all but ignored by the media. Despite this we need to continue, to press on and be vigilant to opportunities where we can bring the arts to the fore front and make a difference in enriching lives here in Anaheim. That is one of the

goals of the Anaheim Arts Council, we hope we can count on your continued or new support in 2011.

Thanks to everyone who attended the Children's Festival Orientation held on January 22. The changes we are proposing will be exciting and bring some new energy to this annual special free event. We are delighted to have Andrea Manes on board as the Event Coordinator.

One way we can all stay in touch is through the revamped web site [www.anaheimartscouncil.com](http://www.anaheimartscouncil.com). Add your events and information and USE it. Our goal is to make this the 'go to site' for what's happening in Anaheim for arts and culture.

Some exciting things are happening in the Downtown Anaheim Art District. On Saturday, February 12 the first of what will be quarterly progressive free art walks will be launched. The Art Crawl Experience' (A.C.E.) will feature multi gallery showing and exhibits from the Downtown Community Center Gallery starting at 5 PM, a variety of gallery sites along Center Street Promenade. Along the way strollers will broaden their art experience by sampling food in the individual galleries and from the Food Trucks and of course, enjoying a variety of live music.

For the love of the Arts,

Carol

## **FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING — Feb 3 at 5:30pm**

Thursday, February 3rd  
Downtown Community Center  
Social: 5:30 pm. ~ Program: 6:00 pm. – 7:00 pm.

Program:  
Anaheim Art Association  
& Anaheim Performing Arts Conservatory (Anaheim High School)  
Refreshments by Anaheim Art Association

**CHALLENGE; Spread the joy of Local Arts... We challenge you to bring 1 guest to the meeting**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CALLING ALL ARTISTS, ART LOVERS & SUPPORTERS**

Membership in the Anaheim Arts Council is very affordable (\$25/ yr) and your participation is critical to the growth, maintenance of the arts and culture in our city. Please join us. For more information visit our website at [www.anaheimartscouncil.com](http://www.anaheimartscouncil.com)

### **HAVE YOU LOOKED AT OUR WEBSITE YET?**

If you haven't, why not? We have news articles, calendar events and more, pretty soon our newsletter will be a thing of the past. Don't be left out of the loop, get yourself registered online today! Questions, please contact Michael Buss, our website coordinator at [michael@anaheimartscouncil.com](mailto:michael@anaheimartscouncil.com).

### **ANAHEIM CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL**

The festival is on May 21, so mark your calendars and get in on the fun! For more information, to volunteer, to participate, or to attend, please contact Event Coordinator, Andrea Manes (714) 868-6094 or (714) 774-3724

### **SHARE YOUR NEWS!!**

Don't you think the newsletter seems a little slim? Remember, articles for the next newsletter are due by the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Please help us help you spread the word about your event by emailing [anaheimartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:anaheimartscouncil@gmail.com) by February 15 and let us know about the exciting things happening in our city.

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**“NERVE” at CHANCE THEATER  
WEST COAST PREMIERE**

It's not me, it's YOU! Submerge yourself in the modern dating scene with this dark comedy about falling into a relationship on the first date. Elliot has never had an online date before... at least not one that showed up. Susan has had far too many but would prefer not to discuss them. When they meet in a bar one night, all their personality flaws are revealed, along with a puppet, some modern dance and a desperation that may or may not be love.

**SPECIAL "2ND STORY" POST-SHOW EVENT!**

Following the performance, we invite you onto the stage to hang out with the cast and crew, drink

some complimentary wine and listen to music. During the event you will hear from the actors, and you might even find yourself sharing a story or two... or you can just sit back and enjoy your beverage! *Thurs/Fri at 8pm, Sat 3pm & 8pm, Sun 2pm through February 27th. Get \$12 off any performance before Feb 13 (excludes Feb 5). Mention code "DATING" Check [www.chancetheater.com](http://www.chancetheater.com) or call (714)777-3033 for info.*



**THE WHO'S TOMMY COMES TO  
THE SEGERSTROM CENTER  
FOR THE ARTS**

Come see the Chance's Ovation award-winning production in Founder's Hall!!! With *ALL NEW* choreography, Ovation-Nominated costume and lighting designs, an Ovation winning projection design and a fabulous cast this roof-raising musical explosion is an exhilarating story of hope, healing and the human spirit! If you saw it over the summer, you won't want to miss "Among the most impressive Orange County productions of the year..." — OC Register. *Playing Feb 10—20th. For tickets go to [www.scfta.org](http://www.scfta.org) or call (714) 556-2787*

**OC WIND SYMPHONY CARNEGIE HALL PREVIEW**

Get a sneak peek at the Orange County Wind Symphony's playlist before they head off to the big apple. Conductor Dr. Tony Mazzaferro will bring you an evening of haunting music including an "Irish



Tune from County Derry" and "Hymn for the Lost and Living". *One night only. Feb 13, 7-8:30pm at Servite Auditorium, 1952 W. La Palma Ave. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors/students and are available at the door. For prepaid tickets and more information call (714) 778-0314.*

**CHANCE CABARET SERIES**

You don't need to go to New York City to get the intimate cabaret experience! Instead, take a seat at your Off-Broadway Theater in Orange County as we present our Chance Cabaret! Hosted by Company Members Emily Clark (*Hair, Assassins*) and Clarissa Barton (*The Who's Tommy, Evita*), and featuring Bill Strongin (*Evita, HAIR, Cabaret*) on the piano, this evening will feature insanely talented musical theatre performers from across Los Angeles and Orange counties. This new cabaret series will have 4 installments this season so mark your calendars and get your tickets now. Playing Monday nights at 8pm on Feb 28, May 23, Aug 8, and Oct 24. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$35 at the door.



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