

## Performances & Readings

All performances start at 7:30 PM unless otherwise listed.

**Tickets:** Adults (College students and older) \$8; Youth & Seniors (Seniors 62 years and older, Children and students through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) \$5. Perpich Alumni \$5. Current Perpich students and staff, free.

Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis. We encourage patrons to arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to showtime.

### Fall 2011

#### **Music Concert**

**October 26, 27, 28, 7:30 PM, Performance Hall**

Students are assigned ensembles for this first concert to learn about the AHS ensemble program and how to work together in small musical groups. The musical focus is for students to highlight their primary instruments/voices in an environment of shared decision making with their peers.

#### **Senior Literary Reading**

**November 8, 7:30 PM, Black Box Theater**

Original literary work in poetry, character monologue and other genres.

#### **Integrated Performance**

**November 10, 11, 12, 7:30 PM, Black Box Theater**

Middle school performance entitled "In School, A Secret is Not a Secret Unless the Whole School Knows" based on interviews and writings from students around MN.

#### **Winter Dance Concert**

**November 17, 18, 19, 7:30 PM, Black Box Theater**

Dance students choreograph and perform their original works. Choreography will include collaborations with the Music Composition class, the Integrated Arts class and new work by guest artist and faculty.

#### **Junior Literary Reading**

**December 1, 7:30 PM, Performance Hall**

Literary Arts students share their own stories by reading memoir and autobiographical fiction, mixed with a little poetry.

#### **Theater Performance**

**December 7, 8, 9, 10, 7:30 PM, Black Box Theater**

*The World We Live In (The Insect Comedy)* by Joseph and Karel Capek

*The Insect Comedy*, by Josef and Karel Capek, is an activist fantasy, first produced at the National Art Theater of Prague in the period just following World War 1. Its darkly comic view of the modern world has traveled well into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Come observe the Capek brothers' millennium bugs, as they demonstrate their tiny sexual tensions, their miniscule materialism, and their microscopic machines of war.

#### **Music Concert**

**December 14, 15 at 7:30 PM December 16, 2:00 PM, Performance Hall**

Ensembles choose a musical style to research and perform. They will become familiar with the history, major musicians, and how to play and compose in the style. These concerts will be a combination of musical performance and demonstration of their research.

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## Spring 2012

**Junior Literary Reading****February 28, 7:30 PM, Location Open Book**

Literary Arts students share their own stories by reading memoir and autobiographical fiction, mixed with a little poetry.

**Integrated Performance****Walker Out There****March 1, 2, 3, 7:30 PM, Black Box**

Groups of students will be working to create art, based on the science of MIT Professor Alan Lightman's "Einstein's Dreams." Students will read the book and brainstorm on ideas of the science presented and then work in small art ensembles to create innovative integrated art.

**Senior Literary Reading****March 8, 7:30 PM, Location TBD**

Student readings of new work in all genres, based on a theme.

**Music/Theater Performance****March 21, 22, 23, 24, 7:30 PM**

The Theater and Music Departments will perform "The Gondoliers", by W.S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan. The musical play is a delightful confection of comedy, solos, duets, quartets, and choral music, presented with a live chamber orchestra.

**Music Concert****March 28, 29 at 7:30 PM March 30, 2:00 PM, Performance Hall**

For this concert series, ensembles will be given a list of "ingredients" they must use to create an original composition. Ingredients will include acoustic music, a specific musical form, and others specifically chosen for each ensemble.

**Dance Concert****May 2, 3, 4, 5, 7:30 PM, Black Box Theater**

Dance students will choreograph and perform original work. Premieres will include senior projects and guest artist and faculty works.

**Theater Showcase****May 16, 17, 18, 19, 7:30 PM, Black Box Theater**

The Theater Program will present *Little Foot*, by award-winning South African playwright Craig Higgenson. *Little Foot* is an exciting drama set in a famous South African archeological site.

**Junior/Senior Literary Reading****May 21, 7:30 PM, Southern Theater**

Original works in a variety of genres and styles. Poetry and prose, monologue and dialogue. Satirical, fictional, and factual.

**Music Concert****May 30, 31, June 1, 7:30 PM, Performance Hall**

The final concert series of this year will focus on the power of music to influence cultural trends. Students will become familiar with musical pieces that have in some way changed the world. Students will then perform existing pieces, or compose their own with the intent of making a change in a political, social or ethical realm of importance to the group.

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## Visual & Media Arts Exhibitions

Exhibitions are open to public viewing (Groups of more than 6 are asked to call in advance.) 8 AM to 5 PM school days. Visual and Media Arts Exhibit openings start at 5:30 PM. Media Arts Screenings start at 7:30 PM. Visitors must check in at the front desk. If you are interested in bringing a class for daytime gallery walk, please call 763/591-4700.

**Senior Visual Art Self Portrait Exhibition****September 29 to November 4, Visual Art Gallery**

Students present original portraits based on researched cultural and historical viewpoints using an array of materials, forms and techniques.

Opening Reception September 29, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

**Junior Media Arts Photography Exhibition****October 27 to December 9, Tony Basta Gallery**

*Sense of Place* documentary essays using traditional darkroom printing and works using experimental photographic techniques (incorporating text, double exposure or multiple images using mixed media.)

Opening Reception October 27, 5:30 – 6:30 PM

**Junior Visual Art Self Portrait Exhibition****November 17 to January 13, Visual Art Gallery**

Students present portraits based on perceptions of inner and outer characteristics as they enter a new school and chart future artistic pathways.

Opening Reception November 17, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

**Senior Media Arts Photography Exhibition****December 15 to March 24, Tony Basta Gallery**

Exhibition of work using alternative photographic processes. Advanced digital photography will also be exhibited.

Opening Reception December 15, 5:30 – 6:30 PM

**Senior/Junior Visual Art Semester Exhibition****February 16 to March 23, Visual Art Gallery**

A comprehensive curriculum exhibition featuring work from each student member.

Opening Reception February 16, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

**Senior Media Arts Film Screening****March 15, 7:30 PM, Performance Hall**

Cinematic works by senior media arts students will be screened including their experimental Super-8 films and public service announcements.

**ArtScience Cultural Exhibition****April 19, 5 to 7 PM, Lower Level East Gallery**

Students will exhibit designs and prototypes related to the theme "Virtual World". Topics covered include nature deficit-disorder, cultural diversity, human behavior in the social environment, social dialogue, space exploration and technology

**Interdisciplinary Video Poem Screening****April 19, 7:30 PM, Performance Hall**

Collaborative video poem projects feature compositions by music students, and poetry by literary arts students, woven together with symbolic moving images on video by media arts students.

**Senior Visual Art Retrospective Exhibition****April 26 to May 18, Visual Art Gallery**

Seniors pause and reflect with individual retrospectives of their work viewed from all directions – past, present, and future – within an energetic, quasi-installation format.

Opening Reception April 26, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

**Senior Media Arts Photography Exhibition****May 10 to June 1, Tony Basta Gallery**

Independent photography projects and CD-Rom interactive portfolios designed for the web by senior media arts students.

Opening Reception May 10, 5:30 – 6:30 PM

**Junior Visual Art Summer Exhibition****May 31 to September 5, Visual Art Gallery**

A comprehensive exhibition featuring selected work from the 2011-12 academic year.

Opening Reception May 31, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

**Senior Visual Art Graduation Exhibition****June 1 to June 8, Visual Art Gallery**

Seniors mount a capstone exhibition, looking back on their Arts High School experience and into the future.

Opening Reception June 1, 5:30 – 6:30 PM

**Junior Media Arts Photography Summer Exhibition****June 5 to October 2012 Tony Basta Gallery**

An exhibition of final photography projects from the 2011-12 academic year. Screening of documentary and video final projects.

Opening Reception June 5, 5:30 – 6:30 PM