

# ARTSReach

## 2017–2018 Season

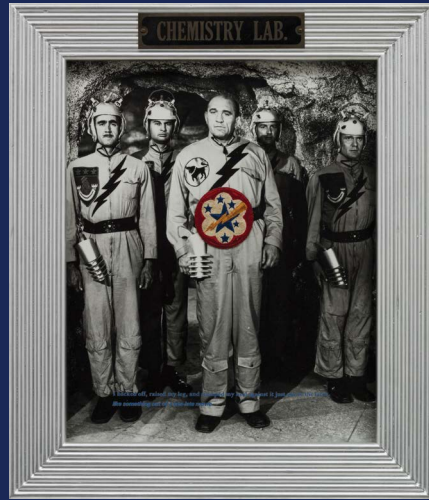


LISA SMITH WENGLER  
CENTER FOR THE  
**arts**  
PEPPERDINE

*Ezralow Dance Company  
Thursday, January 11*

## Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art

**MUSEUM TOURS** are provided to you at **NO COST** and are available before or after performances at Smothers Theatre, or at specially arranged times. Regular museum hours are 11 AM to 5 PM, Tuesday through Sunday. Please call 310.506.4766 to reserve a tour. Space in the museum is limited.

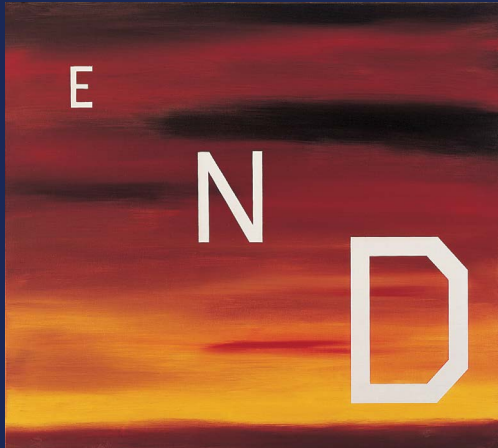


Alexis Smith, *Robot*, 1982, mixed media collage, 20 3/4 x 17 3/4 x 1 3/4 inches, photo by Brian Forrest, courtesy of Honor Fraser Gallery.

### ALEXIS SMITH

January 20–April 1, 2018

For over 40 years, Alexis Smith's art has explored the depths of popular culture. She begins with an array of images—ranging from thrift-store finds to nostalgic advertisements—and juxtaposes them with poetic and poignant texts. Her art underscores how the media shapes our self-image and reminds us that meaning is often fugitive and always surprising.



Ed Ruscha, *End*, 1983, oil on canvas, 36 x 40 inches, collection of the Frederick R. Weisman Art Foundation

### CONTEMPORARY CALIFORNIA ART FROM THE WEISMAN ART FOUNDATION

August 29–December 10, 2017

This exhibition marks the 25th anniversary of the Weisman Museum of Art at Pepperdine, dedicated on Sept 12, 1992. It celebrates the varied styles found in contemporary California art from the 1960s to the present, an important focus of the Frederick Weisman collection experiences.

Each year Pepperdine's ARTSReach Program, supported by the Center for the Arts Guild, inspires the lives of thousands of schoolchildren from Ventura to the inner city of Los Angeles. These free arts experiences enrich the lives of children with world-class performances and art museum tours.

The guild supports many programs, but its primary focus is to support ARTSReach. If you would like to become involved in this important program or sponsor a bus, please contact the Lisa Smith Wengler Center for the Arts at 310.506.4594.

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- Apply for tickets to an ARTSReach performance!**
- 1 Complete the application below and submit by mail or fax. You may also apply online at [arts.pepperdine.edu/events/artsreach](http://arts.pepperdine.edu/events/artsreach).
  - 2 You will be notified by e-mail or phone regarding the status of your request.
  - 3 If we are able to accommodate your request, you will be asked to send a \$1 -per-seat deposit.

Seating is limited. Applications are filled on an as-is-available basis and allocated to maintain a balance of local and out-of-area schools, as well as those new to the program. Prior attendance records are also considered. A limited number of bus grants are available to schools showing financial need.

Questions? Call Monica at 310.506.4766 or e-mail [monica.chapron@pepperdine.edu](mailto:monica.chapron@pepperdine.edu). Additional ARTSReach forms may be downloaded at: [arts.pepperdine.edu](http://arts.pepperdine.edu)

Please detach and fax to:  
310.506.4556  
or mail to:  
Pepperdine University  
Center for the Arts/ARTSReach  
24255 Pacific Coast Hwy.  
Malibu, CA 90263



## ARTSReach Request Form

School name \_\_\_\_\_

Field trip contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

School address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School phone \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Phone to reach you on day of show \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Summer e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I request a bus grant.

YES, please treat our \$1-per-seat deposit as a donation to ARTSReach.

No, please refund our \$1-per-seat deposit after the performance.

I request the following seats for my class (limit 200 per performance):

SHOWS	DATES	TIMES	NUMBER OF SEATS	GRADE	RANK IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE
Marital Artists and Acrobats of China	Thur., Sep. 28	11:45 AM			
Go, Dog, Go!	Mon., Oct. 2	10 AM			
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Ezralow Dance Company	Thur., Jan. 11	10 AM			
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Pilobolus	Fri., Jan. 26	11 AM			
Time for Three	Wed., Jan. 31	Noon			
Dance in Flight	Wed., Feb. 7	10 AM			
Velvet Caravan	Thur., Mar. 1	Noon			
Sonia De Los Santos	Fri., Mar. 2	10 AM			
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TAIKOPROJECT	Wed., Mar. 21	10 AM			
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Medea	Wed. April 4	10 AM			



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Your class attends these shows for FREE. All performances take place in the intimate 500-seat Smothers Theatre and last about one hour, with the exception of this year's production of Medea. Order your seats today!



## MARTIAL ARTISTS AND ACROBATS OF CHINA

With more than one hundred of the best acrobatic and martial artists in the world, The Martial Artists and Acrobats of China take the stage with thrilling circus acts, illusions, aerial stunts, juggling acts, contortion tricks, and feats of balance in one dazzling performance.

**Thursday, September 28**  
**11:45 AM (one performance)**  
Grades 3–8



## GO, DOG, GO!

By Allison Gregory and Steven Dietz  
Adapted from the book by P. D. Eastman  
With music composed by Michael Koerner

*Go, Dog. Go!* brings the adventures of P. D. Eastman's modern classic to life in a frolicking musical romp full of surprises, color, clowning, and vaudeville. Following six loveable dogs through their adventures in cars, hats, a moonlit boat ride, and even a wild game of ball, this hilarious visual spectacle manages to sneak in some important lessons about life between innings.

**Monday, October 2**  
**10 AM & 11:45 AM**  
Grades K–2

## EZRALOW DANCE COMPANY

Ezralow Dance Company mingles contemporary dance with playful humor, provocative ideas, striking visuals, and "a fine-scaled, gutsy energy" (*New York Times*) in performances that transport the audience to a new dimension with an explosive blend of extraordinary creative fantasy and dramatic emotion.

**Thursday, January 11**  
**10 AM & 11:45 AM**  
Grades 6–12 (\*pictured on cover)



## PILOBOLUS

Combining gymnastics, weight sharing, pop dance, and performance art in a delightfully whimsical human circus, the innovative award-winning dance troupe Pilobolus wears its revolutionary stripes on its sleeves. Like its biological namesake—a feisty little fungus that thrives in farmyards—Pilobolus continues to grow toward the light, expanding and refining its unique methods of collective creativity.

**Friday, January 26**  
**11 AM (one performance)**  
Grades 6–8

## TIME FOR THREE

This groundbreaking, category-shattering trio transcends traditional classification, mixing elements of pop, rock, and classical forms. With an infectious energy, virtuosity, and showmanship, Time for Three performs everything from Bach to Brahms to ingenious mash-ups of hits by the Beatles, Kanye West, Katy Perry, Justin Timberlake, and more.

**Wednesday, January 31**  
**Noon (one performance)**  
Grades 3–8



## Pepperdine Student Activities presents DANCE IN FLIGHT

Dance in Flight embodies the diversity and essence of Pepperdine's Seaver College and the liberal arts tradition. For over 20 years, Dance in Flight has provided a safe environment for emerging student dancers and choreographers to cultivate creativity, physical expression, and teamwork in a professional performing atmosphere. The company members come from a variety of dance backgrounds, interests, and fields of study. United by their passion for the art of movement, they are dedicated to presenting an impressive showcase of student artistry.

**Wednesday, February 7**  
**10 AM (one performance)**  
Grades 2–5

## VELVET CARAVAN: BORIS & SASHA CIRCUS ADVENTURE

Through the adventures of a dancing bear and a fiddle-playing lion that escape the circus, the quintet Velvet Caravan takes us on a musical journey through different styles of music, highlighting the joy music brings and the value of the freedom of expression through music and dance. Rooted in the gypsy jazz and swing and Latin swing styles, Velvet Caravan uses acoustic guitar, violin, stand-up bass, percussion, and keyboards (including accordion) to play upbeat tunes from around the world.

**Thursday, March 1**  
**Noon (one performance)**  
Grades 1–4



## SONIA DE LOS SANTOS

A soulful and important new voice in family music, Sonia De Los Santos has been hailed by *Billboard* as "one of the Latin Children's music artists you should know." Singing in English and Spanish and playing guitar, mandolin, and jarana, De Los Santos infuses old and new songs with messages of joyful community music making and cultural bridge building.

**Friday, March 2**  
**10 AM & 11:45 AM**  
Grades K–4

## TAIKOPROJECT

A dynamic contemporary blend of taiko, music, storytelling, and choreography, TAIKOPROJECT unites ancient Japanese tradition with 21st century American innovation. The first and only American taiko group to win the prestigious Tokyo International Taiko Contest in 2005, TAIKOPROJECT is pure "drum nirvana" (*Fresno Bee*).

**Wednesday, March 21**  
**10 AM & 11:45 AM**  
Grades 3–6



## Pepperdine Theatre Department MEDEA

by Euripides, in a version by Ben Power  
Bradley Griffin, Director

Medea is a wife, a mother, and an immigrant. When her husband abandons his family for a new life, she exacts an appalling revenge and destroys everything she holds dear.

First staged at the Theatre of Dionysus in Athens, Greece, *Medea* has intrigued and terrified audiences for nearly 2500 years. Pepperdine's production will feature an original musical score by Professor of Music N. Lincoln Hanks.

*This production is not recommended for children under 12.*

**Wednesday, April 4**  
**10 AM (one 90-minute performance)**  
Grades 9–12

View the ARTSReach video!  
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