



Harris Center

Three Stages at Folsom Lake College

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ADDITIONAL EVENTS AT THE HARRIS CENTER CANCELLED THROUGH MAY 14 DUE TO CORONAVIRUS

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*Cancellations and postponements include 95 events,
from national tours to performances by regional companies*

(March 17, 2020, Folsom, CA) Based on the latest guidelines from the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, **all performances at the Harris Center through May 14 have been cancelled effective 3/17/20.**

This March 17 announcement is the second such announcement of cancellations, following that of March 12th that canceled or postponed the balance of March events at the Harris Center. All told, 95 events have been cancelled.

“Here at the Harris Center, we normally bring the community together for celebratory events. But the safety of our patrons, artists and staff is our highest concern,” notes Harris Center Executive Director Dave Pier. “In this unprecedented situation, direction from government authorities and our own campus and college district is unified and crystal clear. The safety of all is best served by not gathering people together.”

Effective March 18, all Los Rios Community College District facilities, including the Harris Center, will be closed, with staff working from remote locations. The website www.HarrisCenter.net remains open for business and will continue to update the public about the impact of the pandemic on the Harris Center’s operations going forward. Patrons needing assistance during the closure of the Ticket Office should email TicketOffice@harriscenter.net.

The Harris Center began issuing refunds to ticket buyers for cancelled performances last week. For more information, patrons should visit the Harris Center website at <https://www.harriscenter.net/events/cancelled-events> which includes a list of affected events and an indication of the status of refunds updated daily. A second webpage, <https://www.harriscenter.net/visit/coronavirus>, has more information about the Center's response to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Many have asked about how they can support the Harris Center through this trying time; donations are always welcome at www.harriscenter.net/donate. But the Harris Center is larger than the building itself. "The Harris Center works closely with national and international artists and touring companies to bring their artistry to the capital region," notes Pier, "and the financial hardships resulting from this pandemic could well be devastating to them. Likewise, our many regional community partners, like El Dorado Musical Theatre, Folsom Lake Symphony, Folsom Concert Association, Carrera Productions, SBL Entertainment — the list is too long to mention in its entirety — are all going to feel the disruptive impact of the pandemic, and I encourage you to support each of them however you can."

"We all share this labor of love, of bringing people together under one roof to experience the power of performance on a given evening upon a given stage. The arts cannot shelter in place; normally we are actively engaged in doing the exact opposite of that. But shelter in place is what we all must do now, and I'm counting the hours until that time when we can swing open our doors again, and do what we do best. Thank you all for your patience and understanding."

The Harris Center was not alone in canceling performances early in the pandemic. Performing arts programs at UC Berkeley's Cal Performances, UCLA's Center for the Art of Performance, Pepperdine University, Scripps College, UC San Diego, UC Santa Barbara, the Mondavi Center at UC Davis have similarly cancelled performances in response to COVID-19.

"As many of our artists are currently on national or international tours, their travel plans are tied to appearances at venues across the country and around the world. A change in one leg of a tour often disrupts the entire tour. Given this, we are in regular communication with their representatives. We expect to have more information on a show-by-show basis that may result in further postponements or cancellations in this season," said Pier. "Where possible, we are working with Artists to reschedule their appearances in future seasons."

Cancelled events at the Harris Center for the month of March include the following*:

New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players: The Mikado	March 12
Cinderella - Panto Company USA	March 13
Carrera Productions: Cajun Night (Michael Doucet/Tom Rigney)	March 13
Folsom Lake Symphony: Family Concert - Musical Engine	March 14

Shriners' Benefit: A Voice for Children	March 14
Siberian State Symphony Orchestra	March 14
St. Patrick's Day in Ireland!	March 15
Seamus Egan	March 17
Tall Stories: Wilde Creatures	March 19
SBL Entertainment: Ronnie Milsap	March 19
Sacramento Guitar Society: Muriel Anderson's Wonderlust	March 21
Once On This Island (Broadway National Tour)	March 20-22
Sacramento Baroque Soloists: Ecstasy of the Chaconne	March 21-22
An Evening with Anne Lamott	March 23
Seeds – by Montreal's Porte Parole	March 26
Carrera Productions: Taj Mahal	March 27
Voices of California: Our Continuing Journey	March 28
enra - Dreams	March 29
SBL Entertainment: Altan	March 29
The Tap Pack	March 31

Additional cancelled events at the Harris Center through May 14th include the following*:

SBL Entertainment presents David Archuleta	April 1
SBL Entertainment presents Eddie Palmieri	April 2
Harris Center presents The Call of the Wild	April 4
Folsom Lake Symphony, The Planets	April 4
FCA, Daniel Rodriguez	April 5
VITA Academy	April 5
Harris Center presents Bollywood Boulevard	April 7
Harris Center presents DRUM TAO 2020	April 8
Keyboard Conversations with Jeffrey Siegel	April 9
Harris Center presents The Illusionists from Broadway	April 10-12
Harris Center presents Renée Taylor in "My Life on a Diet"	April 15-19
Sacramento Flute Club presents Carol Wincenc	April 24
FLC Falcon's Eye Theatre presents Pippin	April 24-May 2
Emery Entertainment: Robert Dubac's The Male Intellect	April 24-25
Entertainment Events presents Late Night Catechism	May 1-3
Folsom Lake College Music Fest	May 8
El Dorado Musical Theatre Presents Disney's Newsies	May 8-17
Folsom Lake College Youth Chamber Orchestra	May 9-10
Folsom Lake College Spring Voice Recitals	May 11
Folsom Lake College Choral Concert	May 13
Folsom Lake College Evening of Dance	May 14

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* Partial list. Some recitals and multiple performances by individual artists are not indicated.