“Culture, Rhythm, and Spectacle”

School Show reservations are open now for our 2017/2018 season of performances for student audiences. This year, our Theatre for Young Audiences (TYA) offerings feature ensembles of student and professional artists working collaboratively to bring to the stage two dynamic and powerful productions. Students of all ages will be immersed in a variety of world cultures as our actors, dancers, and musicians fill the stage with pulse-pounding rhythm and vibrant drama. Check out the show descriptions below and then contact the TYA Coordinator with your reservation or any questions. Education packets will be available to help enrich the experience academically.

**Seeking to engage your students more deeply in theatre and dance? Inquire about a variety of opportunities available to select groups, including: outreach lecture-demos and workshops with guest artists and students, post-show talk-backs, tours of Kennedy Theatre, and info sessions about our degree programs.**

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**Taiko Drum & Dance: Hana Hou!**
Directed by Betsy Fisher

November 9, 2017 at 9:30AM
Kennedy Theatre, UHM Campus

A *Hana Hou!* performance of one of our most popular dance concerts ever presented at Kennedy Theatre. World-renowned taiko artist Kenny Endo and Taiko Center of the Pacific return for a heart-pounding collaboration of dance and drums. This production showcases an interweaving of cultures that reflects and distinguishes Hawai‘i. Traditional and contemporary taiko music, together with dance from Hawai‘i, Japan, Okinawa, India, and contemporary dance highlight the uniqueness of each form as well as their beauty and power.

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**Fights & Delights: Three Chinese/Xiqu Comedies**
Directed by Elizabeth Wichmann-Walczak and Mark Branner

February 20, 21, and 22, 2018 9:00AM & 10:30AM
Kennedy Theatre, UHM Campus

Showcasing the vibrancy of traditional Chinese theatre, these delightfully contrasting plays celebrate the *chou*—or comic—character, an irrepressible force of comedy who continually reveals the laughter in life. Filled with convoluted acrobatic contortions, mistaken identities, adorable lovers, and exhilarating battles, this celebration of “the clown” will appeal to audiences of all ages.

All performances will take place on the Kennedy Theatre Mainstage - 1770 East-West Road
Reserve your seats and download education packets on our website:
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