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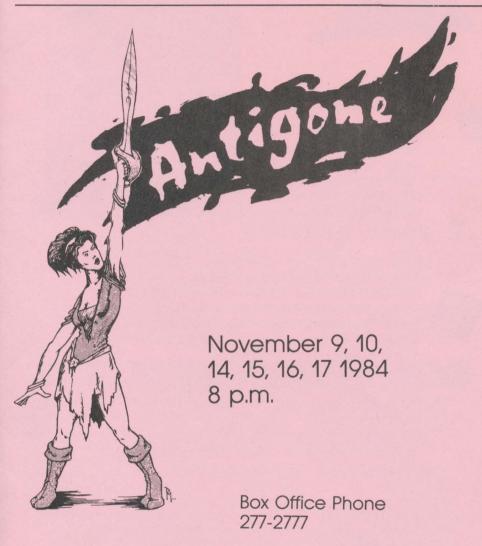
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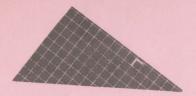


# San Jose State University THEATRE



Directed by Henry Hoffman

A bold new approach to the old classic, told through heavy-metal rock 'n' roll







### The Second Coming

Turning and turning in the widening gyre
The falcon cannot hear the falconer;
Things fall apart; the certre cannot hold;
Mere anarchy is loosed, and everywhere
The ceremony of innocence is drowned;
The best lack all conviction, while the worst
Are full of passionate intensity.





Surely some revelation is at hand;
Surely the Second Coming is at hand.
The Second Coming! Hardly are those words out
When a vast image out of Spiritus Mundi
Troubles my sight; somewhere in the sands of the desert
A shape with lion body and head of a man,
A gaze blank and pitiless as the sun,
Is moving its slow thighs, while all about it
Reel shadows of the indignant desert birds.
The darkness drops again; but now I know
That twenty centuries of stony sleep
Were vexed to nightmare by a rocking cradle,
And what rough beast, its hour come round at last,
Slouches towards Bethlehem to be born?





## HENRY HOFFMAN - Guest Director



Henry Hoffman has directed several award-winning productions in New York and Los Angeles. He has taught and directed at several major theatre training centers, including A.C.T. in San Francisco; the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

He holds degrees in Theatre and Philosophy and was a Fulbright Scholar and a Hilberry Fellow at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan.

He recently directed his first motion picture for PBS, *Osceola Cowboy*, slated for airing in fall, 1985.

He was a principal actor with many top regional theatres, including the Mark Taper Forum, ACT, the Seattle Repertory and the Playmakers Rep. He has also appeared prominently in television and movies.

Presently, he teaches Voice and Diction for both undergraduates and graduates, as well as Acting. He will be teaching during the winter session at SJSU.

He is the father of 11-year-old Sarah Kathleen. "I am interested in theatre and film," says Hoffman, "that deals with human beings in profound struggles to integrate; parents and children; and theatre that is truly international."

## From The Director . . .

We have searched out a "next wave" Antigone, not unlike the recent BAM productions in New York. "Next Wave" focuses on a happy amalgam of rock, opera and text. We have sought an Antigone that captures the essence of Sophocles, and takes place at the end of civilisation in an asylum of the Mind.

As such, the characters are caught in a kind of permissive play-space where they are free to "act out" and make sense of a disintegrating society. The Chorus of Women (as opposed to a chorus of elders) have lost their husbands and children in this final war. They must decide if they will go on. They choose Antigone as their spokesperson. In the end, they are galvanized with purpose and become the eye of the revolution.

In Antigone, we are looking at a monumental battle between old space and new space. Creon is Hitler, the worst of Western Civilisation. He is visualized here as a crazy, out of work actor, looking for one final role to play. Dr. Choragos is the head of this Asylum of the Mind; the Sentry is a night-club comic. Tieresias is the philoman of Carl Jung, the old man in us that knows everything. The Firebird is the song of renewal.

I want to thank my cast with whom I have created the scenario and all of the artists who have assisted me in realizing this event.

Henry Hoffman

# THE ANTIGONE OF SOPHOCLES

SCENARIO/DIRECTION: HENRY HOFFMAN

ASSOCIATE DIRECTION

CAROL ANNE

HAWES

SET/LIGHTING DESIGN ROB

KOONTZ

MUSIC & SOUND
DESIGN
ALLEN
STRANGE

COSTUME DESIGN ELIZABETH M. POINDEXTER MAKE-UP DESIGN
HEATHER & RHONDA
HUDSON
ROPER

CAST

CREON ..... KEN CZWORNIAK

Antigone Jeanne L. Russ
Haimon Todd Perreira

DR. CHORAGOS ...... MICHAEL DANNER

SENTRY ..... JEFF RICHARDS

ISMENE ..... LORI JEFFERSON

EURYDICE ..... ELIZABETH MEDEIROS

CREON'S BEEFCAKES
KEVIN BRADY AND GEORGE MANLEY

Flute: Teresa Orozco/Susan Winsberg

DRUMMER: DAVID PIPER

GREG NOGA AS JOHN LENNON

This production is dedicated to the continuing memory of John Lennon

# CHORUS OF WOMEN

KATE ABILA AS THE SPANISH DANCER

LISA BLAKESLEE AS BLUE ANGEL

SUDANYA KIRK AS AFRICA

DEBORAH NORMAN AS ORPHAN OF THE STORM

KAREN WILSON AS DEIDRE OF THE SORROWS

KATHLEEN WOODS AS THE MESSENGER

MONIQUE OCKELOEN AS DUTCH LADY

PAM CARLSON AS SUNSHINE

JENNIFER MCALISTER AS THE FIREBIRD

#### PRODUCTION STAFF

Technical Director  Scenic Design under the supervision of  Lighting Design under the supervision of  Stage Manager  Assistant Stage Manager  James R. Earle, Jr.  Donamarie Reeds  Ken Dorst  Matt Gordon  Assistant Stage Manager  Jerry McAllister
Scenery Construction Crew Jim Coulter, Roy Harline, Bob Koontz, Jeff Richards
Scenic Artist Marcia Trask, Drama 52 Students Robert Koontz
Stage Crewhead Roy Harling
Stage Crewhead Roy Harline Property Crewhead Charles Tuttle
Properly Crew
Lighting Crew Candace Ammerman, Anthony Hall, Christine Tang, John Quinn
Sound Technician John Cunningham Assistants to Costume Designer : Heather Hudson (masks), Rhonda Roper (accessories)
Makeup Designers Heather Hudson Phonda Ponda
Makeup Design under the supervision of
Cutters/Fitters Rhonda Roper Costume Construction Drama 10, Drama 52, Marita Dingus, Leslie Fitzgerald
Costume Construction
Kelsey Harding, Rhonda Roper, Maureen Smidebush, Audrey Walker
Costume Running Crewhead Raul Ramirez
Costume Running Crew . Diana Goldsmith, Victoria Miller, Lon Barrera, Maureen Smidebush
Makeup Crewhead
Original Song: "We Shall Carry On" Scott Johnson
Choreography Carol Ann Hawes, N-Rae Fenster, Frances Glycenfer, Henry Hoffman Opening Fight staged by
Karate Moves by Michael Danner
Slides L. J. Simpson
Additional Music byCharles Chaplin, Stravinsky, John Lennon and Schumann
Antigone Cartoon Artist Paul Manchester Makeup Crew Heather McAllister
Hair Stylist Lynne Schader
Leatherwork Consultant Kate Injune
Special Projects Heather Hudson (Coordinator), Audrey Walker. Gerry Hybarger
Phonds Pones
Stage Crew Rob Campbell, Pamela Depper, Kelly McAllister

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