

# 2009-2010 Season



## *Ron Hansen - Lecture Series* 7 p.m. Thursday, September 24

As the author of many books, Ron Hansen skillfully integrates themes of history, morality and redemption into his work, exploring "larger truths" in historical fiction. He received his M.F.A. from the University of Iowa Writers Workshop. Hansen is now the Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J. Professor in the Arts and Humanities at Santa Clara University in California, where he also earned an M.A. in Spirituality.

Hansen has been a finalist for the PEN/Faulkner and National Book Awards and has received numerous fellowships and literary honors. Meet the author and enjoy a reading and discussion.

## *"Black Bird Speaking" - the Photography of Andrew Ortiz* October 14 - November 11

Visit the Weyland Art Gallery and enjoy an entrancing collection of allegorical portraits of birds by artist photographer, Andrew Ortiz. His large format digital prints blend images and ideas into intriguing compositions.

Ortiz has exhibited his work across the country, including solo exhibitions at the Southwest School of Art and Craft in San Antonio, Texas, and the Visual Studies Workshop in Rochester, New York. He is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Art and Art History at the University of Texas at Arlington. A reception for Ortiz will be held in the gallery on Friday, November 6 from 5-7 p.m..



*Blackbird Speaking*



## *Brasil Guitar Duo* 7 p.m. Friday, November 6

Winner of the 2006 Concert Artists Guild (CAG) International Competition, the Brasil Guitar Duo has been performing together for over ten years. Featuring a fluid blend of Brazilian and traditional works, the Duo has toured on two continents and released three critically acclaimed recordings since 2000.

Joao Luiz and Douglas Lora met as teenage guitar students and have studied, performed and debuted together, emerging as one of the most prominent guitar duos of its generation. Their effortless style will captivate music and guitar lovers. Mark your calendar for this sublime performance!

## *The Art of Indonesia - New Acquisitions* November 18 - December 16

Don't miss this opportunity to experience the art and culture of the island nation of Indonesia as we display the beautiful collection of traditional Indonesian artifacts collected by our new Divine Word College Trustee, William Booth.

This unique exhibit contains items from Bali, Irian Jaya, Borneo and other islands and from various tribal and cultural groups.



## *"Archival - a retrospective of the artist Nicolette Maguire Bonnstetter"* February 21 - March 26

In her art, Nicolette Maguire Bonnstetter explores her life through everyday objects. She arranges abstract forms, color and space alongside familiar imagery from her life, creating intriguing compositions that provide her viewers a place to wonder, explore and discover.

"A writer came to write about my work and used the word "archival." I think my work is archival, yet I had never thought of that before. I hope when people look at my art, they see my life." **NMB**

Join the artist at her reception held on Friday, March 26, from 5-7 p.m. in the Weyland Art Gallery.

## *Chapter 6* 7 p.m. Friday, March 26

Offering a fresh and compelling blend of pop, jazz, gospel and rock, Chapter 6 is a premier a cappella ensemble that will energize you with their music, harmony and message of God's love and hope.

Since their professional debut in 2001, the group has received many awards including the Grand Champion prize at the 2004 National Harmony Sweepstakes. Chapter 6 has released six recordings. Their spirit of comedy will engage you in an unforgettable evening of music and fun!



## *Divine Word College Creative Salon*

This unique show will include creative works by students, faculty, staff and friends of the Divine Word College community. Artists in any and all mediums will display their works for this one-of-a-kind gallery presentation.

Plan on joining us for a celebration of art, photography, poetry and much more from the talented members of the DWC community. The reception for the Creative Salon will be held on Friday, April 16, from 5-7 p.m. Don't miss this evening of artistic creativity!

## *Rahim Alhaj* 7 p.m. Friday, April 16

One of the true **oud** masters from Iraq, Rahim Alhaj blends contemporary musical concepts with traditional Iraqi melodies, expressing themes of loss, hope, freedom and longing. The oud is a pear-shaped instrument of ancient origin, often seen as a predecessor to the lute.

Alhaj has lived in New Mexico as a political refugee since 2000. In addition to performing in concerts worldwide, he has released several best-selling CDs and is featured on national radio shows and in movies. Alhaj says, "My music invites the listener to discover the true spirit of the musician."

