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Specifically, the Backlot Studio is nominated for its work on "Ratatouille," which tells the story of a rat who dreams to be a chef. Sumida's high school art director, decided to have the rat act as actual rat rather than human.

"Initially, all rats were going to be plump, two legs," Sumida said.

In "Surf's Up," a parody of surf documentaries where penguins surf, Sumida did the opposite of what he did on "Ratatouille" and portrayed the animals acted like humans rather than penguins.

Some students enjoy working with movies, and they believe the attention brings to the school is important.

"It is important to remember that there are professors that don't work for movies and they are doing important research," said Sumida.

"Let's let people know that we have good quality people at CSUSB, especially in biology," Sumida added.

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Andrew Kern, the President of the Comedy Machine, had experiences with performing in the Comic Festival in 2002 and going around the United States performing for all audiences. "I want to help provide clean, clever and hilarious comedy to everyone," Kern said.

Kern recently did a show for a younger audience between the ages of five and ten called the Comedy Kids Zone. Kern, along with many other comedians from the Comedy Machine, did a sponsored event with the City of Hope charity.

Kern wants to bring the comedy club on wheels so people can have a good time. Kern feels that university students need more laughter in their lives. Cocoa Brown, who was a finalist on *America's Got Talent* and a first-time winner on the silent competition *Showtime at the Apollo,* has appeared on BET's *Comedy Night,* Comedy Central, the TV show *Las Vegas,* and popular daytime soap operas *The Young and Restless.* She has been with the Comedy Machine for 16 years and has been in the industry for 11. Brown's job as a comedian is to heal people one laugh at a time. "I want to convey my humor and send a message to the audience. It's not just about the laughs," said Brown. "We need to protect ourselves and become better men and women, finish school and just do what we need to do." Brown has performed on 80 colleges and universities throughout the nation and has been to four West Coast universities this year.

Due to the small amount of West Coast schools she has visited, she exemplifies her appreciation for Cal State's enthusiasm. "This school has bars the best college experience so far," Brown said.

Brown has performed for schools such as Portland State University, Sacramento State, San Francisco State, Cal State Long Beach and UCL.A.

Brown compares the attention she received from UCL.A to our school in "a group of calm and concentrated students," she joked by saying she didn't know if they were nervous.

Like many comedians in the entertainment industry, Brown is a college graduate and a full time performer. "She received her master's degree at the University of Phoenix, and received her undergraduate degree at Virginia Commonwealth University."

She wants people to feel like they did not just hear a regular comedian, but heard a friend when she leaves the stage.

Pymon Shipp, who was one of the last performers of the night, complimeted the audience for paying attention to his jokes, and giving him great feedback.

Shipp compares the attention one has to interact with the audience more in order to keep them involved with what is happening. Shipp has performed for schools throughout the West Coast such as Claremont College, Cal State Long Beach and Santa Monica Community College.

When he is not working as a comedian, Shipp works with kids who are on probation. His inside tip to having a successful performance is to create a relationship. "You have to be in tune with your audience. Give them what they want," Shipp said. "You want to take your time and have a great conversation."

Shipp explains the politics behind catering to a certain type of audience. He explains that because of being in a corporate type of society, dirty jokes in schools can not be seen as acceptable and entertaining. "Now, if you're in a comedy club, you can say whatever you like, but when you go corporate you have to be clean," he said.

Shipp's joke relates to every one because he gains most of his inspiration from everyday life and books. Shipp loves to make comparisons on life and people. He loves music and the arts and enjoying a good conversation. "The best thing about it all is the students," said Pymon as he sat in the Student Union.

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I think the MacBook Air is going to be a big hit," CSUSB Equipment and Systems Specialist Gerardo Garcia-Stute said. "Apple is ahead of the game compared to other companies such as Sony & Hewlett Packard. It's the new generation of laptops.

Apple has also been involved with the Greenpeace group and can boast that they are "going green" with this new model.

The MacBook Air "has a fully recyclable, silver, aluminum case and is the first to have a mercury-free display with arsenic-free glass," Font Cohen said, according to Macworld.com. "All the circuit boards are BFR-free and PVC-free, and the retail packaging uses 56 percent less material than the MacBook packaging."

"The fact that it is lightweight and thin would make it easier for me to carry in my backpack," CSUSB student Carrie Lewis said. "Being a college student and having to carry several books plus my cell phone in my backpack—a thin, lightweight laptop is ideal for me."

Apple estimates the battery life of this laptop with the wireless networking turned on is approximately five hours. The MacBook Air does not have a conventional optical disc drive or CD/DVD disc drive. Apple does offer an add-on SuperDrive disc drive for customers that need it.

If the customer decides not to buy the external drive, Apple offers software called Remote Disc. This server allows the user to access an optical drive off another Mac or PC.

This laptop also comes with a " oma" (camera) that "is smartly integrated, you hardly notice it's there," according to the Apple website.

The MacBook Air starts out at $1,799.

The public relations contacts for Mac declined to answer questions on the MacBook Air for this article.

MacBook Air slims down laptops

CSUSB student Carrie Lewis loves her MacBook, and is truly excited about the MacBook Air.

Personal training at CSUSB

Doohickies & gadgets galore leave people screaming for more

At the CES, consumers are introduced to the newest and brightest electronics, including the newest cell phone technology. Some feel the non-profit CES is priceless.

Scott Sanderson

"I believe that the work I do matters."

Doohickies & gadgets galore leave people screaming for more

If you are a PC gamer or a PC programmer you probably will want to see what's going on at CES," CSUSB student Terrion Smith said. "CSUSB is like G3. It's ready for new inventions. The CEA is good for business and for any large company that has technology products should check out going or viewing what's going on at each year's CES," said CSUSB student James Rom.

Next year's CES will be held in Las Vegas on Jan 8-11.
**Untraceable**

**cyber crime**

Alison Whiteide  Staff Writer

If you're looking for a surprise thriller of a movie this winter, then "Untraceable" is the movie for you.

"Untraceable" is a new movie that centers around FBI agent Sarah Burke, who must track down criminals on the Internet.

This e-crimen newsletter is Jennifer Marsh played by Diane Lane.

"It's a lot like the movie 'Se7en,'" sophomore Stephanie Smith said.

March does have an assistant who is helping her figure this web out. That assistant is Griffin Dow who is played by Colin Hanks.

Along with Dow, the FBI brings in Detective Eric Lee, played by Billy Burke.

Burke is the new partner of the cyber-crimen fighting team.

The first victim has appeared on the network. It is unknown at this point how many people viewing this site see only all and will be the victim.

When the second victim is a local news reporter, the FBI issues a press conference about the web.

This press conference explains that the new ways to commit murder are an accomplishment to murder.

The killer is revealed to the audience after the first victim is killed, but the movie still keeps you interested.

The ways the killer kills his victims just seem to get more cruel and violent as the movie progresses.

The movie does use a lot of technological jargon, but it is still understandable.

Late is very convincing as an FBI agent and mother.

She brings up a lot of passion to her performance and really makes you feel emotion towards her character.

Hanks and Burke are also excellent in their roles. They complement Late's character throughout the movie and admire each other as they kill these people.

The movie is gory, and contains some inappropriate language.

**Strange comedy**

Ken Dillard  Staff Writer

If you put a bunch of wildlife, a few moments, Bigfoot, the jungle and his crew are terrible at what dies, Peter takes over the family extremely rare and can only be found in two places on Earth: the Tanya Thmkaya gram might say, "Strange Wilderness." or, Bigfoot's cave in the jungles of Ecuador.

"Strange Wilderness" has a three day yearly event of music, art, and many more will be captivating performers Roger Waters, Love and Rockets, My Morning Jacket, Spiritualized, Justice, Gogol Bordello, Chrome, the Strogs, and many more will be captivating the audience at the festival comes to an end.

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The promoters of the two-day event had originally hoped for three-day event with theanges in the UK band, Massive Attack, being the third day headliner. Even though they planned not to come through in planned, the event went well with the only complaint being the heat.

It was later reported that the event unsuccessfully produced any profit, almost putting an end to the event.

On Friday, April 25, artists that will perform will include Jack Johnson, The Verve, The Raconteurs, Tom Petty, Fiona Apple, Sia, and more than.

Performers that will play the next day will be Beal Klas, Death Cab for Cutie, The Knocks, M.I.A., Hot Chip, Cold War Kids, and many more.

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Wiese paints night visions

Bart S. Alvarado  
Staff Writer

The Robert V. Fuller Art Museum has a new giant in its prestigious collection, Katrin Wiese. Wiese has an exhibit of 43 dynamic pieces running until March 17 at the museum.

Wiese is a CSUSB alumnus, whose artwork has sold at multiple museums and galleries. Considering it the season of contemporary art in Los Angeles, her exhibit here opened on Jan. 31.

The exhibit, "Night Time is the Right Time," displays her evolving artistic style, where she started. Wiese was born in Germany in 1967 and had exposure to art at an early age.

"Growing up my mother and father would take me to all the beautiful sites of Florence," Wiese said. "It was a place that I always wanted to come back to." Wiese stated she was inspired by the paintings of the "15th" family: an elegant mixture of animals, broken shapes and colors. "They are all related [the recurring figures]. Some are animals, some are half human because that's what we are," Wiese said.

She said the paintings employ heavy amounts of dark colors and blue to convey the feeling that might happen on its own. "I never knew what I am going to create," Wiese said. "I start with shapes then let my brain fill the rest. I did not intend for it to be all at night. It is just happened to come out this way."

Many of the paintings trade in the traditional rectangular shape for circles, conceptual designs and even common ping pong ball paddles. "When you go to the thrift store you never know what you're going to find," Wiese said. "Besides, they're [the paddles] are just such a nice design."

The museum opened in 1996 and has become a cultural center for the campus and surrounding community. It hosts over 150 artists with roughly 50,000 visitors a majority of them children.

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Come flourish in Florence

Natalie Hamid  
Staff Writer

Thinking about Italy would make anyone's mouth water, but this "boot" in the Mediterranean is known for much more than its tantalizing pasta.

This summer, selected students will get a chance to study abroad in Florence, Italy. Students will embark to Florence, Sienna and Rome. Upon their arrival in Florence, they will receive an information packet containing handbooks, maps and other local information.

The trip is scheduled for July 12 through August 13. Students will enjoy a guided tour of Florence and a guided day-trip to the Chianti wine district, a wine tour with tasting. Also, they will spend three days and two nights in Rome.

Applications can be found in the International Student Center in University Hall, room 225.

The application deadline is April 18, 2008. Students may find that the trip is rather expensive. It costs approximately $5,786, but there are options to help cover the cost.

Some options are to tap into their financial aid or scholarship money, if they have any extra.

If there is no an option, students may apply for an Associated Students Inc. (ASI) research grant for up to $1,000. Applications can be found on the student grants website or in the ASI office.

Another possible source of aid is the Gamma Lambda of Phi Beta Delta Scholarship for a $500- $1,000 grant. Students may download the application or apply by visiting the International Center Office, UH, 235.

All options can apply to the Associated Students Faculty, Staff and Students (ALFSS) Scholarships, which grants $1,000 to 10 students.

Applications are available from Lucia Zarate or Claudia Estrada, and also through Admissions in University Hall.

The CSU International Programs Scholarship is available for "the word" from students who are interested in grants or scholarships, which grant $500 for academic excellence, financial need and quality of application. Applications are available at the International Center Office.

The total cost of $5,786 for the trip will include: the enrollment deposit, balance of fees, a refundable damage deposit, airfare, taxes and loss, meal plan, medical (must have personal coverage)

However, this will not include the tuition fees for the two- courses, which students are required to take:

Students must pay additional tuition to the school.

Included in the package is an optional meal plan, which gives students coupons, more than they can eat, and a credit card that is good for all meals.

These coupons give students access to 40 restaurants ranging from simple pizza to elegant restaurants.

Students will mostly be staying in Florence at student housing apartments provided by the American Institute for Foreign Studies (AIFS).

While there, students will be enrolled in two classes that will meet from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., after which is free time for students to go out and have fun.

Anthony Ferris, chair of CSU Fullerton's Department of Communications, will be teaching a course on Italian Cinema and Larson. Associate Professor of CSUSB's Department of Communications, will be teaching Travel and Culture Feature Article Writing.

Each course is four units and students may earn up to six units, which may be substituted for other requirements.

Larson's class will also meet the Upper Division writing requirement.

Dr. Larson stated that students often attend rock concerts, go to local clubs, movies and indulge in shopping.

Last year's students were anxious to see the cities as well.

"We added, "One waiter kept teasing the students about being cranky and wanting to do everything in an hour."

For further information contact the International Center located in UH235 or contact Rebin Larsen at rlarsen@csusb.edu or (909) 537-5181.

Crusade for "the word"

Stephanie Rodriguez  
Staff Writer

Students don't have to wait until Sunday anymore to get their dose of "the word" thanks to Campus Crusade for Christ.

"Helping students consider a relationship with Christ or growing closer to Christ is our mission," said speaker of the club, Jon Rittenhouse.

"The club also provides an environment for growth for Christians and seekers," Rittenhouse said.

From guest speakers to retreats, the Campus Crusade for Christ presents new and upcoming events not just for students but for the community as well.

The club has encouraged many students and influenced many lives, according to Rittenhouse.

"We have about 15-20 involved and the numbers are stable," Rittenhouse said. "People are hearing and believing and speaking to the gospel every year."

"Today's college students are tomorrow's world leaders," stated the Campus Crusade for Christ International website. "Imagine the changes the world would see if every one of the 110 million college students had an opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel every day."

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Wiese, CSUSB alumnus, displays her night visions in the Robert V. Fuller Art Museum until March 17.
Jeff F and I would get along, just fine if it wasn't for each other.

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How many of you read online blogs or posts like this? Many of you reading this probably have. I'll give you my opinion when you're done reading the original.

"The guy who will text you every single morning to tell you good morning and every single night to tell you sweet dreams." I'm the guy who will tell you and tell you I love you and you make me smile just because.

"The guy who will blindfold you, take you to the beach and let you run your toes through the sand while you make your eyes wet where you are." I'm the guy who's always there for you when you need me.

"The guy who doesn't show up at your games (or concerts or meets) without you knowing just to surprise you." I'm the guy who will hold you when you're crying and wipe away your tears.

"The guy who still thinks you're beautiful with no makeup on wearing sweats and a big t-shirt." I'm the guy who is content to just sit and be with you.

"The guy who won't present to do things you don't want to." I'm the guy who will show up at your house with soup and a movie when you aren't feeling well.

"The guy who knows on the forehead." I'm the guy who doesn't kiss and tell.

"The guy who actually listens to you when you talk." I'm the guy who's excited all day because I'm looking forward to our date that night.

"The guy who is content to just be able to hold you and watch nothing more." I'm the guy who can't help but smile when you walk into the room.

"The guy who's perfectly content with moping and watching re-runs and reading." I'm the guy who won't lie to you about where he's going or why he's been late.

"The guy who gets butterflies when he hears your name." I'm the guy who's not afraid to tell the world he loves you.

"The guy who isn't always trying to be a hero and around you." I'm the guy who don't care about your imperfections and loves you for them.

"The guy who will hold you while we watch the sunset." I'm the guy who really wants you to be the happiest girl in the world.

Now then...this is the biggest creek of attention seeking junk I've seen in a long while.

One of the things that stands out to me is that this sounds like a drawn list of behaviors that one might think make up a perfect guy. However, if every single one of these actions were done all the time by a guy that a woman was dating, they'd be called an obsessive maniac behind their back.

Every ear of not making the significant other in your life, your opportunity to be a guy that is just impossible, it's downright stupid. Try dating someone who doesn't do this, tell them the truth about what you expect from them, and you may get surprised.

You might have to make some compromises, however, looking for with some list-filling fella who doesn't exist definitely won't make you happy.

It will make you wish for someone who won't be yourself. It will make you wish for someone who understands the difference between dedicated and obsessive.

It will make you wish for someone who knows how to recapitulate the lines you have drawn for your comfort and won't cross them just to see how much they can get away with.

It will make you wish for someone who tells you the truth because they know it's right, not just because you want them to.

It will make you wish for someone who just enjoys your company, and doesn't want to make an issue out of the whole thing.

It will make you wish for someone who just enjoys their own life, so they don't feel like invested in you, and can't always have you in your life.

I understand that the dream of love can seem fun. But actual building a relationship with someone, putting the work into really doing that, is not replaceable with some dream of what might seem perfect.

Fantasies of the "perfect boyfriend/girlfriend" are waters that flow so fast they can't even try to replicate them. Trying to make people fit into your little tiny dream will do more harm than good, but the bottom line is being untruthful won't make you happy.

Real love is work. Being served by someone you're dating is not love at all. Get over it, and find someone you can deal with, and work with, and don't try to change them beyond recognition.

First impressions do matter, but thinking you really know someone after just a few weeks or a few months makes for unhealthy surprises. It takes time to truly understand who someone is. If all of a sudden discovering something about their past or their personality ruins it for you, you probably weren't in it for love in the first place. Women who really aren't interested in getting to know who they really are.

Don't make decisions about who someone was before you met them. They have the past, have their own, and have the past behind them. Thinking or wishing or hoping they are a certain way or the answer to your lifetime isn't something that even needs to be thought of. Stop thinking and just be the person you want to be.
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eyes are on the prize. This week is just going to have to play better.

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