

The rock musical, "Tom Paine", presents at UCSD

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The rock musical, "Tom Paine," directed by the acclaimed Tom O'Horgan, and based on the life of the great American revolutionary hero, will be presented at the University of California, San Diego one night only, Thursday, October 5, at 8:30 p.m.

The play, brought to UCSD under the auspices of the Campus Program Board, will be presented in the UCSD Theatre, Bldg. 203 on the Matthews Campus. Advance tickets are available at the Student Activities Office, Bldg. 250 on Matthews. Tickets are \$2.50 for general admission and \$1.50 for UCSD students with I.D., and will also be available at the door. For further information, call 453-2000, extension 1391.

The production is an absorbing and penetrating experience, exploring the of Tom Paine's turbulent career. The play wrings back and forth between the idealistic revolutionary whose pamphlet "Common Sense" helped to move the United States towards Revolutionary War in 1776 and the world of a drunken, confused fool each existing within the same man.

Director O'Horgan has been acclaimed for his productions of "Hair" and "Jesus Christ, Superstar." An experimental production, "Tom Paine" may be described as an historical "happening" and succeeds in the ambitious aim of breaking down the frontier between the players and the audience.

"Paine" has been compared with "Marat Sade" in its brilliant theatrical invention and inspired chaos. It is a geyser of humor, violence, satire, terror and sentiment.

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