

Arts critic and writer Dan Sullivan to speak at UCSD April 25

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Arts critic and writer Dan Sullivan will discuss "Putting God on Stage" April 25 in the last of a current series of Eugene M. Burke CSP Lectureships at the University of California, San Diego.

The lecture, free and open to the public, will be held at 8 p.m. in Peterson Hall. Sullivan will be introduced by Des McAnuff, director of the La Jolla Playhouse. A reception in the Peterson Hall foyer will follow the lecture.

Additionally, Sullivan will speak to a student colloquium at 3 p.m. April 25 on "The Need to Dissent: A Critic's View" in the Revelle Formal Lounge, Revelle Campus.

Sullivan, currently a resident of Minneapolis, Minn., was the theater critic for the Los Angeles Times from 1969 until his retirement last year. Prior to that he was theater critic for the New York Times and theater and music critic for the Minneapolis Tribune. His first newspaper job was as a general assignment reporter for the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

A graduate of Holy Cross College with a B.A. in English, he also attended the University of Minnesota where he did graduate work in the School of Journalism.

Sullivan received a fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation for the training of music critics in 1964 and another fellowship for professional journalism from the National Endowment for the Humanities in 1978. In 1990 he received a Summer Stipend from the NEH, allowing travel funds to research a biography on the American playwright William Inge. The book, which he now is writing, will be published by William Morrow Inc. in 1993 under the title "Dark at the Top: The Story of William Inge."

A founding member of the American Theatre Critics Association and the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle, Sullivan teaches every summer at the National Critics Institute in Waterford, Conn. He also teaches arts reviewing and reporting at the University of Minnesota journalism school.

The Burke lectures focus on the functions and responsibilities of religion in society and its role in shaping social and moral values. The lectureship is endowed in honor of Eugene M. Burke, a Catholic priest of the Paulist Order who was closely associated with UCSD until his death in 1984.

Further information may be obtained from Mary Cherry at 452-7557.

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