

Tandy Beal and Company will perform at the Mandeville Center Auditorium

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Tandy Beal and Company will dance at 8 p.m. on Sunday, April 17, in the Mandeville Center Auditorium on the campus of the University of California, San Diego.

Her six-member company will present "Forest Dream," "Crazy Jane," "Heisenberg's Principle," "Little Kings," "Three Motion Pictures" and "Fontanelle."

Tandy Beal's modern dance style reflects diverse influences, including those of Alwin Nikolais, with whom Beal studied and danced, and Murray Louis.

The music for most of Beal's work is composed by co-artistic director Jon Scoville. His compositions include electronic, guitar and percussion works often using instruments he has built.

One of the two daughters of actors John Beal and Helen Craig, Tandy Beal spent her childhood traveling between New York and California on theater tours. Up to the age of 14 she was seriously studying to be a concert pianist. At 16 she began studying with Nikolais.

In 1968, Beal returned to California and later joined the Nikolais Dance Theatre, touring America, Puerto Rico, Europe, Iran and North Africa.

Beal moved to Santa Cruz in 1971 when she founded her own dance company. Since then she has created over forty-five dance works. All the dancers in Beal's company, except principal Ron Taylor, have been her students at one time or another.

The members of Beal's dance company live and work together at the founder's home, a former hunting lodge, in the mountains of Santa Cruz. For several months each year, they take part in an intensive period of rehearsal and touring, after which they are free to pursue separate interests and individual work.

Since its first major tour in 1975, the troupe's home audience in Santa Cruz has grown from 600 to more than 4,000 per year. The company continues to perform throughout the United States and Europe.

Tandy Beal and Company's performance at UCSD is sponsored by the University Events Office. General admission is \$7; tickets for students and UCSD faculty and staff are \$6, and tickets for UCSD students are \$5. For ticket information phone the UCSD Central Box Office at 452-4559.

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