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CSA expands discount ticket offers

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Students, faculty and staff needn't pay full price to take in some top-notch entertainment in Metro Detroit. Discount tickets to venues such as the Fox and Fisher theatres, Detroit Opera House and Masonic Temple are available at the **Center for Student Activities Service Window**. Among the new offerings this year are tickets to the Michigan Renaissance Festival and Detroit Symphony Orchestra performances at the new Max Fisher Music Center.

"The service window provides a wonderful opportunity for students, faculty and staff to be introduced to major cultural events in the Detroit area – many at a reduced cost," said Paul Franklin, coordinator of campus programs. "We're excited about being able to offer tickets to the Michigan Renaissance Festival for the first time. We also have tickets for Orchestra Hall performances by Oscar Peterson and Smokey Robinson and have tickets for the opening night concert at the new Max Fisher Music Center in Detroit."

Discounts are available to all buyers, with each purchase subject to a \$1 service fee. OU students get an additional \$5 discount on their purchase due to a subsidy by the Student Program Board. Ticket blocks close about two weeks prior to the show date. To order tickets, fill out and return the **Theatre Ticket Order Form** or stop by the CSA Service Window, located in Room 49 in the lower level of the **Oakland Center**. A valid **OU SpiritCard** must be presented to qualify for student, faculty and staff rates.

The CSA Service Window accepts cash, checks, money orders, SpiritCa\$h, and departmental and student organization account numbers. Checks and money orders should be payable to Oakland University. Student organizations are charged a 3 percent fee for all SpiritCa\$h transactions.

Tickets arrive about one week prior to the show date. Patrons will be contacted by phone and e-mail (if provided) to pick up their tickets at the CSA Service Window.

The CSA Service Window also offers tickets for on-campus events, including lectures, student and Greek organization events, the Meadow Brook Ball, ABS Ball, and Student Program Board and Student Life Lecture Board events. The window also handles deposits for student and Greek organization accounts and distributes commencement honor cords to Golden Key International Honour Society members.

The CSA Service Window is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During fall and winter semesters the window also remains open until 6 p.m. on Wednesdays. For more information and a current listing of available tickets, visit the **CSA Service Window** Web site or contact service window staff at (248) 370-4407.

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