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### Collin Theatre Center announces 2012-13 season

Do yourself a favor and get the season subscription. Thank me later.  
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Register now or forever hold your peace. Or at least until the spring.  
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Let's get busy.  
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A little something for everyone at the annual faculty art show.  
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## Collin Theatre Center announces 2012-13 season

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Shannon Kearns-Simmons, chair of the Collin College theatre department, announced the lineup for Collin Theatre Center's 2012-2013 Season Subscription Series.



This season's line-up includes *Refuge*, winner of the Susan Blackburn Prize, the Tony Award-winning musical *Cabaret*, the regional premiere of a new documentary play, *Rust*, and the comedy *Lovers & Executioners*, winner of the Charles MacArthur Prize for outstanding new play.

Opening the 2012-2013 season is an illuminative, provocative, and probing play directed by Gail Cronauer. What happens when we wake up from the American dream? *Rust*, a documentary play created by Austin Bunn in collaboration with Working Group Theater, is drawn from hundreds of hours of interviews with the people whose lives were changed when General Motors closed its plant in Wyoming, Mich. in 2008. This exciting regional premiere will be presented in the John Anthony Theatre.

Up next in the Black Box Theatre is the he darkly funny and touching story of a young woman, Amy, forced to care for her younger brother and sister after her parents have abandoned the family and fled to Florida for a vacation from which they will never return.

*Refuge*, by Jessica Goldberg, is a profoundly honest and original look at four young lives—lost and unsure of what's ahead, seeking a safe place but uncertain of what safety means. It is a Regional Premiere and the winner of the Susan Smith Blackburn Prize for playwriting.

The blockbuster Tony-award winning musical, *Cabaret* will be presented in the spring 2013. Performed around the world, and turned into a movie starring Liza Manelli, *Cabaret* will be performed at Collin College at the John Anthony Theatre and directed by Brad Baker. Set in 1931

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Berlin as the Nazis are rising to power, *Cabaret* focuses on nightlife at the seedy Kit Kat Klub and revolves around the English cabaret performer Sally Bowles and her relationship with the naive young American writer Cliff Bradshaw.

Closing out the 2012-13 season is the comedy *Lovers & Executioners* by John Strand. The *Washington Post* said, "You can't ask for more than an evening in which you laugh like mad, then sit on the edge of your seat wondering how the tale will turn out."

*Lovers & Executioners* is the tale of an attempted murder and a woman's revenge concerns a husband who discovers evidence that his wife has been unfaithful. He abandons her on a desert isle, expecting her to die. But she escapes and returns three years later disguised as a man. She manages to have herself appointed judge and promptly brings her husband to trial for the murder of his wife. This comedy is the 1999 winner of the Charles MacArthur Prize for outstanding new play.

Tickets are available online at [www.collintheatrecenter.com](http://www.collintheatrecenter.com) or a mail-order form may be requested by calling the box office at 972.881.5809. Prices range from \$34-45.

Season Subscription Series are available now, and guarantee patrons seats for shows, which are certain to sell out. Tickets are available at [www.collintheatrecenter.com](http://www.collintheatrecenter.com) or by calling 972.881.5809 to request a mail-order form.

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## Fall registration nearing end, first day approaches

Registration for Collin College's fall 2012 semester is open through Monday, Aug. 27, the first day of class.

Also, most new students under the age of 30 are required by a state mandate to provide proof of having received the bacterial meningitis vaccination or booster 10 days prior to the start of semester term in which they are attending.

Students can fax documentation of having received the vaccine or booster to 1.972.548.6702 or 972.377.1792. For additional information about meningitis, exceptions or exemptions, email [admissions@collin.edu](mailto:admissions@collin.edu) or visit [www.collin.edu/ meningitis](http://www.collin.edu/ meningitis).

## New Payment News

For students registering for classes through Aug. 1, your payment is due Wednesday, Aug. 1 by 8 p.m. If you register anytime after Friday, Aug. 3, you will need to pay that same day.

Effective starting fall 2012, the college's add/drop policy has changed. After Aug. 26, any new courses added to a student's schedule will be charged at the 100 percent tuition and fee assessment rate. "Swapping" courses with no fee assessment will no longer be available after a term begins.

Any courses dropped (even on the same day) will only be refunded at the percentage rate as determined by the state refund guidelines and approved tuition rates.

- July 25-Aug. 24 – Installment plans available online
- Aug. 1 – Early Registration Payment Deadline
- Aug. 3-26 – Pay same day you register
- Aug. 27 – New add/drop policy begins. All course registration charged 100 percent. Courses dropped refunded based on state refund percentage guidelines.

For more information, email [cashier@collin.edu](mailto:cashier@collin.edu) or call the Bursar's Office at 972.548.6616 (Central Park Campus), 972.377.1637 (Preston Ridge Campus) or 972.881.5634 (Spring Creek Campus)

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## Changes To Government Courses

In order to make it easier for students to transfer from a community college to a Texas public four-year college or university, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has adopted a new mandate that changes how the required six semester credit hours of government courses will be taken.

Currently there are two sequences of Government courses: GOVT 2301-2302 and GOVT 2305-2306. Beginning fall semester 2013, only the GOVT 2305-2306 sequence will be offered by Texas community colleges.

Because of this change, students are encouraged to complete the GOVT 2301-2302 sequence by the end of summer II/III 2013. If students can only take one GOVT course during the 2012-2013 academic year, it should be GOVT 2301, since it will work as an acceptable transfer course with any of the other three GOVT courses offered by community colleges throughout Texas.

## Registration Information

Registration at Collin College is done through CougarWeb. Students can find a log-in button to CougarWeb at the college's website or go directly to <http://cougarweb.collin.edu>. Then go to the "Registration Tools" channel on the home tab. For help logging into the portal, call the Student Help Desk at 972.377.1777. A username and password are required in order to register online.

Through CougarWeb, online registration is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week unless otherwise noted. Students can also view the latest version of the e-schedule outside of the portal at [www.collin.edu/academics/class\\_schedule.html](http://www.collin.edu/academics/class_schedule.html). However, they will not be able to register until they log into CougarWeb.

The college accepts VISA, MasterCard or Discover credit cards online. Personal checks are accepted in person or over the web using the college's secure Webcheck program.

For more information about registration and admissions, visit [www.collin.edu/gettingstarted/register/](http://www.collin.edu/gettingstarted/register/).

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[www.collin.edu/gettingstarted/register/](http://www.collin.edu/gettingstarted/register/) [<http://www.enebuilder.net/eletra/gow.cfm?z=cccc%2C591506%2Cbj2Qy77q%2C3721405%2Cb19jLmg>] . All College Day Wednesday, Aug. 15 All campuses are closed. The Faculty Show Monday, Aug. 20-Thursdays, Sept. 20 The Arts Gallery, Spring Creek Campus This annual showcase features the latest work from Collin College art faculty including 2D and 3D design, ceramics, commercial art, digital art, drawing, jewelry and art metals, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture and watercolors. The public is invited to meet at the artists at a reception set from 4-7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 30 at the gallery. The exhibition also is free and open to the public. Gallery hours during the summer are: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Contact: [www.collin.edu/THEARTSgallery](http://www.collin.edu/THEARTSgallery) [<http://www.collin.edu/THEARTSgallery>], 972.881.5873

### Lions Club/Tennis Car Wash

10 a.m.-1 p.m. - Saturday, Sept. 8

7-11, Central Expressway and Spring Creek Parkway

The fourth annual Carwash Fundraiser hosted by the Collin College Lions Club and tennis teams. A carwash is free, but tips and donations are accepted to benefit the Lions Club and tennis teams.

Contact: [cccclionsclub@collin.edu](mailto:cccclionsclub@collin.edu)

Auteur -- The King's Speech 7 p.m. - Thursday, Sept.

13 Angelika Film Center, Shops at Legacy, 7205 Bishop Road, Plano Free screening of the Academy Award-winning film about King George VI, who must overcome a lifelong stutter in order to make a crucial radio broadcast after Britain declares war on Germany in 1939. Contact:

[www.collin.edu/academics/csce/auteurfilmseries.html](http://www.collin.edu/academics/csce/auteurfilmseries.html) [<http://www.collin.edu/academics/csce/auteurfilmseries.html>]

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## Gallery opens faculty show



*Caption*

The Fine Arts faculty at Collin College are pretty talented.

This fact will be on exhibition Monday, Aug. 20-Thursday, Sept. 20 at THE ARTS gallery's "The Faculty Show."

This annual showcase features the latest work from Collin College art faculty including 2D and 3D design, ceramics, commercial art, digital art, drawing, jewelry and art metals, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture and watercolors.

The public is invited to meet the artists at a reception set from 4-7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 30 at the gallery, which is located on the Spring Creek Campus, 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway in Plano. The exhibition also is free and open to the public. Gallery hours during the summer are: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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Q&A: ROSE Award nominee

*At All College Day Aug. 15, Collin College announced its winners of the full- and part-time Recognition Of Service and Excellence (ROSE) awards given annually to two staff members. During the summer, Cougar News featured the ROSE award finalists.*

**Deborah Hall**

*Administrative Assistant, Center for Scholarly and Civic Engagement*

*At Collin College almost four years*

**There are always small things that make one's job interesting or worthwhile. What minute aspects of your job do you get the most joy out of?**

I get joy when our students come into the office with big smiles because they succeeded in something: a passed test, a scholarship, an accepted transfer to university or a win in a tournament. Their excitement and exuberance keeps me young and hopeful for our future.

I get joy when faculty come to an event in which we partner, and they relax when they see the center is already there with everything handled and all they have to do is make their speeches, then sit back and enjoy.

**As a ROSE Award finalist, you've been acknowledged for going the extra step in one way or another. What is your approach or philosophy toward your job?**

Be positive and productive. If you plan, organize and do your best, then you will succeed to completion.

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Not Zeus. Jim Thorpe.

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Not just for the un-cool. The future of retail.

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Delicious and efficient.

### [The Kids Are Alright](#)

Children bank in Indian.

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