

## UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

## SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS- DRAMA

Course Title: DRAM 225 Introduction to Scenography
Session: Fall 2013

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Office Hours	by appointment
<b>Location and Time</b>	CHD 011
of class	Mondays & Wednesdays 9:00AM to 10:50AM
Text(s)/Readings	Theatrical Design and Production, 7th Edition. J. Michael Gillette. McGraw-Hill Publisher. 5 <sup>th</sup> or 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition would be acceptable as well.
	The Importance of Being Earnest, by Oscar Wilde
	The Crackwalker, by Judith Thompson
	Both scripts are in the <i>Norton Anthology of Drama</i> , a DRAM 240 required text or you may order your own copies online.
Prerequisites	None
Course Description	An introduction to performance design and the disciplines within it: scenery, props, lighting, costumes and sound. Includes a study of the history of theatre design and space. Topics regarding contemporary notions of scenography will be explored, for example performance art, ritual, etc.
Course Objectives	To introduce students to scenography and it's role in the world of theatre. To give students the opportunity to execute a paper-projects related to a play and its visual and aural world. To prepare students for future classes in scenography.
<b>Course Activities</b>	Attending performances:
and Content	Students are required to see one performance – see handout for list. A written review that uses the vocabulary learned in class and through the readings will be required for each performance.
	Lecture & Studio: Topics include historical and contemporary performance spaces, methods of communication for scenographers to directors and technicians, and topics relating to contemporary scenography questions.
	Scenography Project: Students will have the opportunity to explore a play and its visual and aural world. They will explore techniques of model, drawing, collage, multi-media, sound creation and installation. An innovative approach will be encouraged.
	Materials & Equipment: -Pencils: 2H, HB, 2B and a sharpening device -An eraser (e.g.: Staedtler Mars Plastic 52650) -Masking tape: one roll, 1/2" wide -8.5" x 11" All-Purpose Sketchbook -Black foamboard -Carpenter's glue -Steel ruler with cork backing -Matte knife
	Other materials <b>may</b> be required for some exercises: watercolour paper, small watercolour set, brush(es), matt board, Xacto knife, but do not buy these until needed. (Some may be provided in class.) Most materials are available from the Campus Bookstore.

	Classroom Drafting Equipment
	There are two sections of DRAM 225 that need to use the drafting and drawing equipment
	therefore it must remain in the classroom (T-squares, triangles, scale rules, and so on). It
Assassment	may be possible to access the classroom at other times. Ask your instructor.  Review – 10%
LISSESSIIIEIIE	Of a professional production in Calgary. Please see accompanying list of production options for
	this project.
	Group Presentations – 20%
	Students will research an artist, theatre company or group of artists that practice or have
	practiced as scenographers and will present their research to the class.
	Quiz – 20%
	Of material covered in lectures and readings. <b>Project #1 – 15%</b>
	Costume Plot, Props List, Scene Breakdown and Design Concept with research for Oscar
	Wilde's The Importance of Being Earnest.
	Project #2 – 35%
	Set and Costume Design for Judith Thompson's <i>The Crackwalker</i> .
	Please Note:
	• As each project practices the thinking and organizational processes and the skills needed to
	complete subsequent projects it is necessary that you participate in and finish all the projects to
	be successful in this course.
	• Similarly, all the parts of a project, exercise or sketchbook assignment contribute to the
	evolution and final realization of the work. Therefore, the Instructor(s) may decide not to accept
	or grade incomplete projects; all parts of each project must be included in the final submission
	by the given deadline.
	• Class exercises, sketchbooks, and projects will be given a letter grade or a grade out of 100 and
	will be due as noted in the schedule or as specified by the instructor.
	• Completed projects, exercises, and/or sketchbooks will be accepted after those due dates, but
	the grade will be reduced by 10% per day late. In other words, work that is graded as A will
	receive an F after 6 days late.
Grading Scale	A 93-100 B+ 80-85 C+ 65-69 D+ 50-54
	A - 86-92
	B- 70-74   C- 55-59   F 0-44
Attendance	Grading is based on full attendance.
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