



• [Get quality and value delivered to your front door with Webvan.](#)

[Find a car](#)
[Find a job](#)
[Find a home](#)
[Local entertainment](#)
[Tech news & info](#)
[Plan your wedding](#)
[Redesign your home](#)



[California Lottery](#)

[After Dark](#) | [Family Movies](#) | [Hot Tickets](#) | [Pop Life](#) | [O.C. Pop](#) | [Rhythm Nation](#)
[Country Music](#) | [Jazz](#) | [Classical](#) | [Radio](#) | [Theater](#) | [Dance](#)

SHOW

McCoy Rigby journeys through the past

Six productions for 2001-2002 span the flapper age through the 1970s.

April 18, 2001

By ERIC MARCHESE
 The Orange County Register

In its seventh season at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts, McCoy Rigby Entertainment is offering a celebration of six of the 20th century's most colorful decades.

The production company's 2001-2002 season, which begins in October, will feature five plays and one musical concert. Each performance ties in with a different era in American life of the past century, beginning with the 1920s. The five book shows are comedies and musical theater properties, while the 1970s are represented by a concert performance by Toni Tennille, who will be joined by The Young Americans.

The season as announced:

"Camping With Henry and Tom" - Set in 1921, Mark St. Germain's off-Broadway play was inspired by an actual camping trip taken by industrialist Henry Ford, inventor Thomas Edison and President Warren G. Harding, exploring issues of friendship, politics and leadership. Oct. 12-28.

"Sanders Family Christmas" - It's the end of the Depression, and that wacky gospel troupe, the Sanders Family Singers, brings holiday cheer - plus a heapin' helpin' of bluegrass music, laughter and tears - to the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in the Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina. The show is a logical follow-up to "Smoke on the Mountain," the earlier Sanders Family musical produced during McCoy Rigby's 2000-2001 season. Nov. 30-Dec. 16.

"Swingtime Canteen" - The gals from the Hollywood Canteen take their all-girl band to London to do their part for the Allied war effort, offering an evocative mixture of the great music of the '40s - swing, big band music and jazz. The show also celebrates the critical role that women played in World War II. Feb. 1-17.

Toni Tennille and **The Young Americans** represent the 1970s in two concert performances. Known for her rich voice and compelling stage

Wednesday, April 18, 2001

[Email this to a friend](#)

presence, Grammy-winning artist Tennille, who enjoyed her greatest popularity during the '70s, will bring warmth and vitality to a playlist of classic jazz standards and big band tunes. The Young Americans are one of the most highly visible show choirs around, performing on television, in movies and in major concert venues the world over. March 16-17.

"Grease" - Though written in the 1970s, Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey's musical re-creates the innocent world of the 1950s, as the goofballs, greasers and bad girls of Rydell High School deliver songs in the style of the early rock era. The show was one of the longest-running on Broadway (3,388 performances). April 5-21, 2002.

"King o' the Moon" - This show picks up where the Tom Dudzick comedy "Over the Tavern," staged by McCoy Rigby last season, left off. It's the tumultuous '60s, and the Pazinski family has lost its patriarch. A boy during the staid '50s, protagonist Rudy, now a young man, has gone AWOL from the seminary; his brother has enlisted in the Marines; his sister is contemplating divorce; and Mom is experiencing a new romance. June 7-23, 2002.

Founded by musical theater performer Cathy Rigby and her actor-producer husband, Tom McCoy, McCoy Rigby Entertainment has produced the past six seasons for the 1,264-seat La Mirada Theatre.

Subscriptions and individual ticket sales are available with a major credit card by phoning (714) 994-6310 or (562) 944-9801. The season package for the five plays costs \$130; restricted subscriptions start at \$90. Tickets for individual performances in the five-play series are available at \$35 each.

Tickets for the Tennille/Young Americans concert are available through the end of May to subscribers only and go on sale to the general public in June at \$35 and \$50.



Copyright 2001
The Orange County Register
ocregister@link.freedom.com

[Auctions](#) | [Entertainment](#) | [HomeDecor](#) | [JobFinder](#) | [OCcarFinder](#) | [OCRegister](#) | [pluginOC](#) | [RealEstate](#) | [SingleScene](#) | [Weddings](#)