

Adventures in Lifelong Learning

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CLASS on West Side Story

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

1:00-3:00 p.m. Tallent 182

West Side Story is a musical with a book by Arthur Laurents, music by Leonard Bernstein, and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and is inspired by Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet. The original 1957 Broadway production marked Sondheim’s Broadway debut, and the dark theme, sophisticated music, extended dance scenes, and focus on social problems marked a turning point in American musical theatre. Professor Laura Rexroth will talk about the influence of West Side Story on the American musical.

Laura Rexroth joined the music faculty at the University of Wisconsin Parkside in 2014. In addition to her duties as conductor of the UW-Parkside Wind Ensemble and UW-Parkside Community Band, she teaches courses in world music, music education, and conducting. Prior to her appointment at Parkside, Rexroth held conducting posts at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Central College in Iowa, and The College of William and Mary in Virginia. She has also led high school band programs in Massachusetts, Illinois, and Minnesota. Rexroth has guest conducted district, regional, and all-state bands in several states, as well as the Valley Festival Brass, the U.S. Army Field Band, the United States Military Academy Band, the Colorado Intercollegiate Band, the U.S. Army Band, the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Band, the Tactical Air Command Band, and the Virginia Symphony. Rexroth did her studies in music education and conducting at St. Olaf College, Northwestern University, Indiana University, the Aspen Music School in Colorado, and the International Conductors Workshop in Zlin, Czech Republic. Rexroth’s bands have performed for numerous special occasions and guests.



Questions: Call Frances M. Kavenik 262-654-7570

4/30/19 West Side Story CLASS Member \$5 Guest \$10 **Register by: April 15, 2019**

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New: a fee of \$5 will be charged for registration changes.