



The University Co-op Presents the Cohen New Works Festival  
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**The University Co-op Presents the Cohen New Works Festival  
announces the 2011 Festival March 28-April 2.**

The Executive Committee and Faculty Producers are happy to announce programming for the 2011 The University Co-op Presents the Cohen New Works Festival, which runs from March 28-April 2. This highly anticipated Festival, produced by the Department of Theatre and Dance, comprises over thirty new theater, music, dance, opera, installations and site specific performances. Now in its 6<sup>th</sup> iteration, the Festival is an explosively diverse week of new performance from emerging talents. Located at sites in and around the F. Loren Winship Drama Building (WIN) on The University of Texas at Austin campus, the Festival offers a week-long showcase of work that is created by some of the most dynamic young artists in the country.

This year, the Festival will contain five shows specifically tailored for young audiences and families. For the complete listing of the 37 works in this year's Festival, please visit [coopnwf.org](http://coopnwf.org).

**FAMILY FRIENDLY PIECES FEATURED IN THE UNIVERSITY CO-OP  
PRESENTS THE COHEN NEW WORKS FESTIVAL 2011.**

*And Then Came Tango* is based on the touching true story of Roy and Silo, two male penguins that fell in love, incubated an egg, and successfully raised a baby fledgling, Tango. Poetry, dance, and music unite to tell this children's story, celebrating modern families of all shapes and sizes. The performance, directed by MFA Drama and Theatre For Youth and Communities Candidate Emily Freeman, will inspire acceptance and dialogue about representation onstage, as well as themes artists explore for the young audience.

Where: WIN 1.134

When: 3/28 2pm, 3/29 11am, 3/30 11am

*HANDS* is a highly interactive piece of theatre designed for audiences of children under the age of three. This visually dynamic movement-based piece explores the concept of one of the first things young children discover, hands. Interactive in nature, the performers invite the audience to explore the space and the props throughout the piece.

Where: WIN 2.120

When: 3/29 9:30am, 3/30 12:30pm, 3/31 2pm, 4/1 10:30am

*The Transition of Doodle Pequeño* is a play about a third grade boy who is questioning his gender orientation and is bullied because of it. The script was developed with Suzan Zeder in 2009 and work-shopped with elementary students. This spring will mark its first full reading.

Where: AT&T Conference Center Auditorium

When: 3/28 6pm, 3/29 6pm, 3/30 6:30pm

*La Canción de La Tierra* is a bilingual (Spanish-English) environmentally aware play for young audiences. The acting company consists of four animatronic puppets, two human actors and a puppeteer bringing to life Tuki, the toucan, Kalydria the red-eyed tree frog Pumilio the diminutive "blue jeans" frog, Pablo a boy from the future, and Lydia the forest ranger. Set deep in a tropical rainforest, the storyline presents the struggle to keep the Earth a clean and healthy place to live for all of its inhabitants by focusing on the four R's: Recycle, Reuse, Reduce, and Responsibility.

Where: WIN 1.164

When: 3/29 2:30pm, 3/31 3:30pm, 4/1 12:30pm, 4/2 2:30pm

*Raven's Blanket* begins as incense fills the air. A shadow appears, beckoning you closer. Then, you hear a voice, a storyteller whose stories are of Raven, infamous Native American trickster. Join us in an experiential shadow puppetry and site-specific journey as Raven embarks upon an adventure to capture sun and remove the blanket of darkness. Devised by an ensemble of artists, and told through stories, images, and color, this adventure is sure to delight audiences of all ages, encouraging us all to find our own sources of light and inspiration

Where: AT&T Conference Center Courtyard

When: 3/28 7:30pm, 3/29 7:30pm, 3/30 7:30pm

All events FREE. For directions and the complete Festival schedule please visit:  
[www.coopnwf.org](http://www.coopnwf.org)

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