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# URINETOWN THE MUSICAL

Directed by  
**Danny Loftus George**  
2022-2023 Roe Green Visiting Director

Music and Lyrics **Book and Lyrics**  
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## EXHIBITS



### **AS THE WORLD WEDS: Global Wedding Traditions through August 27, 2023**

Featuring wedding dresses and wedding party attire from Western cultures, Asia, and Africa, as well as the stories and traditions that make weddings such cherished life events.

### **HEAD TO TOE: It's a Wrap! Coats; It's a Wrap! Coats; Stepping Out! Shoes through July 23, 2023**

The trilogy of exhibitions draws from the Kent State University Museum's permanent collection.

### **PATHFINDERS: Kent State University School of Fashion Alumni through May 28, 2023**

Featuring Jules Acree '12, Deanna First '12, Keama Garrett '15, Joshua Hupper '04, Miyako Nakamura '05, Anne Skoch '17. Made possible with the generous support of Dr. Linda L. McDonald and the Ohio Arts Council.

#### **Museum Hours**

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**2022 - 2023**  
SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

**KENT STATE FASHION WEEK**

**April 21 - May 1, 2023**

Kent State Fashion Week

**April 21**

Virtual Fashion Show  
*Design Innovation Hub*

**April 26**

Fashion Show Preview

**April 27**

FM Symposium

**April 28**

Hall Of Fame Luncheon  
Award Show

**KENT STATE FASHION SHOW**

**Fri., April 28, 2023**

Annual Fashion Show  
and Awards Ceremony  
*Kent Student Center Ballroom*

**Sat., April 29, 2023**

VIP Reception and  
Annual Fashion Show  
*Kent Student Center Ballroom*



**URINETOWN**  
THE MUSICAL

**Music and Lyrics**  
Mark Hollmann

**Book and Lyrics**  
Greg Kotis

URINETOWN was produced on Broadway in September, 2001 by the Araca Group and Dodger Theatricals in association with TheaterDreams, Inc., and Lauren Mitchell

**February 24-March 5, 2023**

*E. Turner Stump Theatre*

2022-2023 Roe Green Visiting Director  
**Danny Loftus George**

Choreographer  
**Ricky Loftus George**

Music Director  
**Jennifer Korecki**

Co-Costume Designers  
**Abbie Hagen**  
**Jenna Nicole Jamison** ^

Assistant Director  
**Madi Pelle** ^

Production Manager  
**Karl Erdmann**

Technical Director  
**John Rawlings**

Lighting Designer  
**David Bruns**

Co-Scenic Designers  
**Andrea Ball**  
**Claire Vogt**

Co-Stage Managers  
**Tom Humes**  
**Alexandra Baxter** ^

Sound Designer  
**Bethy Winters**

Properties Supervisor  
**Frankie Teuber**

School Director and Producer  
**Tony Hardin**

URINETOWN is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. [www.mtishows.com](http://www.mtishows.com)

*Please note this production makes use of theatrical fog, haze, and strobe lighting. Be aware that toilet paper will be thrown from stage into the audience. Please note actors will be using audience aisle ways and action during the performance, keep all exits and entrances clear.*

*Photography, videotaping or other video or audio recording of this production is strictly prohibited.*

### Director's Note

A director's note is meant to help the audience understand the motive and vision behind the production. I could write a bit, but it feels self indulgent. Who am I to tell you how to interpret art? Instead I want to take this opportunity to highlight the incredible people at Kent State University. Jen Korecki who constantly gives and takes nothing in return, Tony Hardin who leads the program like the valorous hero he is, and Terri Kent who yanks her heart out of her chest and implants a piece of it in every human who is fortunate enough to cross her path.

The cast all of whom have brought their gifts, unique points of view, and spirit to breathe life into the page. The crew who have worked tirelessly and to the greatest hero of all, Roe Green. The patron saint, who offers a level of tzedakah that illustrates humanity at its finest. And lastly to you, the audience. Thank you for making theatre a part of your life, thank you for contributing to its present and its future. I am grateful to you all.

Enjoy the piece, I hope it provides an escape from daily life and a myriad of laughs.

– **Danny Loftus George**

### About Danny Loftus George

2022-2023 Roe Green Visiting Director

Danny Loftus George is a FORBES 30 Under 30 Finalist in Education. He is the Founder of The Growing Studio International, The A1 Conference, The LINK Program, and the President of The Norwalk Conservatory of the Arts, a new college conservatory opening in Norwalk, CT with a focus on career opportunity and development. Danny developed and hosted the Broadway Q&A with Playbill. Recent Directing credits include Songs for a New World at The Gateway Playhouse and Into the Depp at The SoNo Collection. He is a proud Board Member of The Higher Vibrations Collective. Danny's greatest achievement is his incredible son Aspen. Follow the journey on Instagram: @bobanny11



## 2022 – 2023

### SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

#### 2023

**Sun. March 5, 3:00 p.m.**  
Orchestra Concert #3  
(Concerto Winners)\*

**Tue. Mar. 7, 7:30 p.m.**  
Wind Ensemble/ Symphony  
Band Concert  
*Cartwright Auditorium*

**Fri. March 10, 7:30 p.m.**  
Spring Opera\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Sat. March 11, 7:30 p.m.**  
Spring Opera\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Sun. March 12, 3:00 p.m.**  
Spring Opera\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Fri. March 17, 7:30 p.m.**  
New Music Ensemble  
Concert #3  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Sat. March 18, 7:30 p.m.**  
Wind Ensemble/Kent State  
Youth Winds Concert\*  
*Cartwright Auditorium*

**Mon. April 3, 7:30 p.m.**  
Transient Canvas  
(Guest Artist)  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Thur. April 6, 7:00 p.m.**  
Percussion Ensemble  
Concert\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Fri. April 7, 7:30 p.m.**  
Coro Cantare/  
Cantique Concert\*  
*Cartwright Auditorium*

**Sat. April 8, 6:00 p.m.**  
*Tentative Date*  
Evening with the  
Orchestra Fundraiser  
*Kent Student Center Ballroom*

**Sun. April 9, 3:00 p.m.**  
Chorale Spring Concert\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Mon. April 10, 7:00 p.m.**  
Athletic Band Showcase  
MACC

**Sat. April 15, 7:30 p.m.**  
No Exit Ensemble Concert  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Sun. April 16, 5:00 p.m.**  
Kent Keyboard Series  
Concert #5, Donna Lee,  
Faculty Artist\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Mon. April 17, 8:00 p.m.**  
Jazz Studies Large  
Ensemble Concert\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Tue. April 18, 8:00 p.m.**  
Jazz Studies Combo  
Concert\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Thur. April 20, 7:30 p.m.**  
Gospel Choir Spring Concert\*  
*Cartwright Auditorium*

**Sat. April 22, 7:30 p.m.**  
New Music Ensemble  
Concert #4\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Sun. April 23, 3:00 p.m.**  
Wind Ensemble/ Symphony  
Band Concert\*  
*Cartwright Auditorium*

**Tue. April 25, 7:30 p.m.**  
Communiversy Band\*  
*Cartwright Auditorium*

**Wed. April 26, 8:00 p.m.**  
Asian World Music Concert\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Fri. April 28, 8:00 p.m.**  
Steelpan/African  
Ensemble Concert\*  
*Ludwig Recital Hall*

**Tue. May 2, 7:30 p.m.**  
Orchestra Concert #4 with  
KSU Choirs\*  
*Cartwright Auditorium*

**Sun. May 14, 3:00 p.m.**  
Kent State Youth Winds  
Concert  
TBD

\* Ticketed event

# 2022 - 2023

## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

### FRIDAY ART LECTURES

- Feb. 24, 2023, 12 p.m.
- Mar. 3, 2023, 12 p.m.
- Mar. 10, 2023, 12 p.m.
- April 7, 2023, 12 p.m.



### GALLERIES

**Jan. 27, 2023 - March 18, 2023**  
 Nexo Entre Raíces / Nexus Between Roots  
 KSU Downtown Gallery  
 141 East Main Street,  
 Kent, Ohio

**Feb. 24, 2023 - March 17, 2023**  
 Student Annual  
 CVA Gallery  
 Center for the Visual Arts  
 325 Terrace Drive,  
 Kent, Ohio

**April 7, 2023 - May 13, 2023**  
 Bedel Tiscenero  
 KSU Downtown Gallery  
 141 East Main Street,  
 Kent, Ohio

**May 19, 2023 - July 7, 2023**  
 WARP - Weave a Real Peace, Members Show  
 KSU Downtown Gallery  
 141 East Main Street,  
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# URINETOWN THE MUSICAL

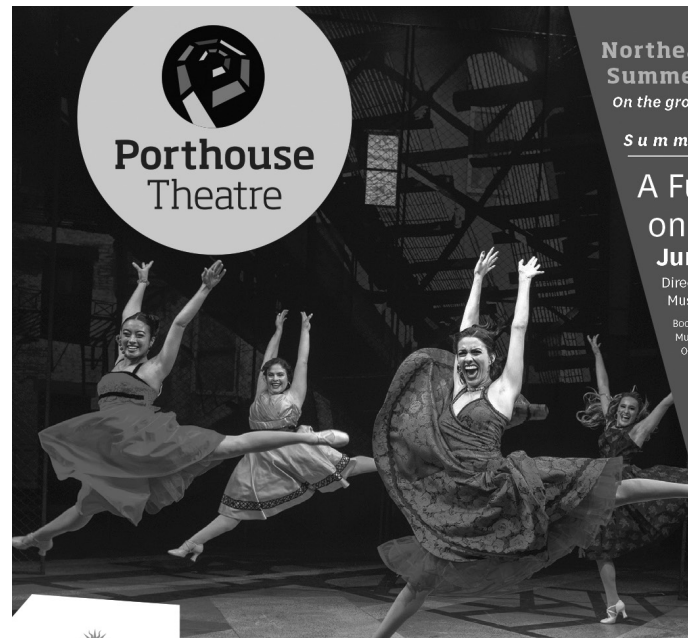
### About Ricky Loftus George

Choreographer

Ricky is a choreographer originally from London now based in NYC, Choreography and performance credits include, "Oklahoma," "Kinky Boots," "Cinderella," "Chicago," "Priscilla Queen Of The Desert," Ricky was also a top ten finalist on Britain's Got Talent. Alongside performing Ricky is also the Co-Founder of the A1 conference and The Link Program. Special thanks to Terri, Jen, Danny and Aspen for your love and support always! Instagram @therickykg



Porthouse Theatre



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### A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum June 9 - July 24

Director: Terri J. Kent / Choreographer: Martín Céspedes  
 Music Director: Jennifer Korecki

Book by BURT SHEVELOVE and LARRY GELBART  
 Music and Lyrics by STEPHEN SONDHEIM  
 Originally produced on Broadway by HAROLD S. PRINCE

### The Marvelous Wonderettes June 30 - July 15

Directed and Choreographed by Amy Fritsche  
 Music Director: Jonathan Swoboda

Written & Created by ROGER BEAN  
 Musical Arrangements by BRIAN WILLIAM BAKER  
 Orchestrations by MICHAEL BORTH  
 Vocal Arrangements by ROGER BEAN & BRIAN WILLIAM BAKER

### The Prom July 21 - Aug. 6

Director: Terri J. Kent  
 Choreographer: Martín Céspedes  
 Music Director: Alexandre Marr

Music by MATTHEW SKLAR  
 Book by BOB MARTIN, CHAD BEGUELIN  
 Lyrics by CHAD BEGUELIN



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**ACT 1**

"Urinetown" ..... Company  
 "Privilege To Pee" ..... Penelope, Ensemble  
 "Privilege To Pee (Lockstock's Reprise)" ..... Officer Lockstock, Ensemble  
 "Mr. Cladwell" ..... Mr. McQueen, Hope, Cladwell, Ensemble  
 "Cop Song" ..... Officer Lockstock, Officer Barrel, Ensemble  
 "Follow Your Heart" ..... Bobby, Hope  
 "Look At the Sky" ..... Bobby, Josephine, Ensemble  
 "Don't Be the Bunny" ..... Mr. McQueen, Senator Fipp, Cladwell, Ensemble  
 "Act One Finale" ..... Bobby, Hope, Cladwell, Company

15 MINUTE INTERMISSION

**ACT 2**

"What Is Urinetown" ..... Officer Lockstock, Little Sally, Mr. McQueen, Cladwell, Josephine, Ensemble  
 "Snuff That Girl" ..... Ensemble  
 "Run, Freedom, Run" ..... Bobby, Ensemble  
 "Follow Your Heart Reprise" ..... Hope  
 "Why Did I Listen To That Man" ..... Officer Lockstock, Penelope, Bobby, Senator Fipp, Officer Barrel, Hope  
 "Tell Her I Love Her" ..... Bobby, Little Sally, Ensemble  
 "We're Not Sorry" ..... Little Sally, Josephine, Company  
 "I'm Not Sorry Reprise" ..... Penelope, Cladwell  
 "I See a River" ..... Officer Lockstock, Penelope, Bobby, Little Sally, Mr. McQueen, Senator Fipp, Officer Barrel, Hope, Cladwell, Josephine, Company

**Cast of Characters**

Officer Lockstock..... Matthew Hommel  
 Little Sally..... McKenna Stoffer  
 Bobby Strong..... Stella Fisher, Evan Waggoner  
 Hope Cladwell..... Olivia Nelson, Dominic Young  
 Caldwell B. Cladwell..... Gabe Hunyor  
 Penelope Pennywise..... Judah Nicole Lyles  
 Officer Barrel/Ensemble/Lockstock Cover..... Zach Monczewski  
 Mr. McQueen/Ensemble..... Nicholas Bradley  
 Senator Fipp/Ensemble/Cladwell Cover..... Dylan Grosh-Hoy  
 Old Man Strong/Ensemble..... Cayden Ferguson  
 Josephine Strong/Ensemble..... Rebecca Poole  
 Hot Blades Harry/Ensemble..... Karsen Guldán  
 Soupy Sue/Ensemble..... Julia Ruggirello  
 Tiny Tom/Ensemble..... Sean McCrimmon  
 Little Becky Two-Shoes/Ensemble..... Allison Sheski  
 Mrs. Millennium/Ensemble/Pennywise Cover..... Margo Tipping  
 Dr. Billeaux/Ensemble..... Billy Cummins  
 Boy Cop 1/Ensemble..... Nate Frison  
 Girl Cop 1/Ensemble..... Riley McIntyre ^  
 Billy Boy Bill/Boy Cop 2/Ensemble..... Colin Alexander  
 Robby the Stockfish/Boy Cop 3/Ensemble..... Malachi Monroe  
 UGC Exec 1/Ensemble..... Mary Savocchia  
 UGC Executive 2/Ensemble..... Israeljah Reign  
 Little Sally Cover/Ensemble..... Rylie Nelson  
 Ensemble..... Lexi DiLucia, Julia Mullin

**Orchestra**

Bass..... Don T. Day  
 Percussion..... Mell Csicsila  
 Reeds..... Jim Lang  
 Euphonium..... Will Bowers  
 Keyboard..... Jennifer Korecki

**School of Theatre and Dance Faculty and Staff, continued**

**Matt Marquis**, Manager of Information Technology

**Samuel McIntosh**, Adjunct Dance Faculty

**Catherine Meredith**, Artistic Director of Kent Dance Ensemble and Assistant Professor of Dance

**Donna Miller**, Administrative Assistant

**Natasha Musaelyan**, Accompanist

**Mark Nathanson**, Accompanist

**Michael Oatman**, Adjunct Theatre Faculty

**Steve Pauna**, Technical Director and Professor of Theatre

**Beverly Petersen-Fitts**, Adjunct Dance Faculty

**DeAnn Petruschke**, Adjunct Professor of Dance

**Fabio Polanco**, Associate Professor of Acting and Directing

**Jeffrey Polunas**, Assistant Professor of Sound and Projection Design

**Jason Potts**, Lighting and Sound Supervisor

**Dylan Ratell**, Adjunct Theatre Faculty

**Jeffrey Marc Rockland**, Dance Coordinator and Associate Professor of Dance

**Robert Russell**, Adjunct Professor of Theatre

**Jakyung C. Seo**, Associate Professor of Lighting Design and Coordinator of B.F.A./M.F.A. Design, Technology & Production

**Terri Siefer**, Administrative Clerk

**Erin S. Smith**, Adjunct Dance Faculty

**Mark Smith**, Adjunct Dance Faculty

**Michelle Hunt Souza**, Assistant Professor of Costume Design

**Lana Sugarman**, Adjunct Theatre Faculty

**Alex Swiger**, Performing Arts Box Office Manager

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**Rohn Thomas**, Adjunct Theatre Faculty

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**Amy Ballew**, Graduate Assistant

**Amy Berry**, Graduate Assistant

**Veronica Blumberg**, Graduate Assistant

**David Bruns**, Graduate Assistant

**Alex Funk**, Graduate Assistant

**Abbie Hagen**, Graduate Assistant

**Jack Libengood**, Graduate Assistant

**Victoria Mearini**, Graduate Assistant

**Adam Newborn**, Graduate Assistant

**Rebecca Poole**, Graduate Assistant

**John Rawlings**, Graduate Assistant

**Kathalina Thorpe**, Graduate Assistant

**Yifei Zhang**, Graduate Assistant

## School of Theatre and Dance Faculty and Staff

**L. Taylor Ashton**, Adjunct Dance Faculty  
**Andrea Ball**, Assistant Professor of Scenic Design  
**Tricia Bestic**, Adjunct Theatre Faculty  
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**Gaye Blair**, Administrative Clerk  
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**Karl Erdmann**, Production Manager  
**Paul Floriano**, Adjunct Theatre Faculty  
**Amy Fritsche**, Acting Area Coordinator and Associate Professor of Acting and Musical Theatre  
**Rebecca Balogh Gates**, Managing Director  
**Jason Gates**, Scene Shop Supervisor  
**Madi Getz**, Marketing Associate  
**Tony Hardin**, Professor and School Director  
**Theresa Holland**, Adjunct Dance Faculty  
**Tom Humes**, Assistant Professor of Stage Management  
**Paul Hurley**, Assistant Professor of Acting and Movement  
**Natalie Huya**, Theatre Faculty at Kent State Ashtabula  
**Mavis Jennings**, Theatre Faculty at Kent State Stark  
**Aimee Johnson**, Costume Shop Supervisor  
**Caitlin Kane**, Assistant Professor of Theatre History  
**Grace Cochran Keenan**, Assistant Professor of Costume Technology  
**Terri Kent**, Musical Theatre Coordinator and Professor of Musical Theatre and Acting  
**Eric Kildow**, Associate Professor of Theatre at Kent State Trumbull  
**Gregory King**, Associate Professor of Dance  
**Jennifer Korecki**, Associate Professor of Musical Theatre  
**Yuko Kurahashi, Ph.D.**, Graduate Coordinator and Professor of Theatre  
**Carrie Langguth**, Adjunct Dance Faculty  
**Kyle Lovell**, Academic Advisor  
**Cynthia Lundeen**, Adjunct Theatre Faculty

## Production Staff

2022-2023 Roe Green Visiting Director..... Danny Loftus George  
 Assistant Director..... Madi Pelle ^  
 Choreographer..... Ricky Loftus George  
 Dance Captain..... Mary Savocchia  
 Music Director..... Jennifer Korecki  
 Assistant Music Director..... Sawyer Swick  
 Co-Costume Designers..... Abbie Hagen, Jenna Nicole Jamison ^  
 Lighting Designer..... David Bruns  
 Faculty Co-Scenic Designer..... Andrea Ball  
 Co-Scenic Designer..... Claire Vogt  
 Sound Designer..... Bethy Winters  
 Technical Director..... John Rawlings  
 Assistant Technical Director..... Jordan Campbell  
 Properties Supervisor..... Frankie Teuber  
 Props Managers..... Faylinn Oswald, Tegan Wilson  
 Faculty Co-Stage Manager..... Tom Humes \*  
 Co-Stage Manager..... Alexandra Baxter ^  
 Assistant Stage Managers..... Audrey Arnett-Tomasek, Kennedy Brooks, Sammie Pamfile, Amanda Rearick ^  
 School of Theatre and Dance Director and Producer..... Tony Hardin  
 Managing Director..... Rebecca Gates  
 Production Manager..... Karl Erdmann  
 Performing Arts Box Office Manager..... Alex Swiger  
 Marketing, Communications and PR Director..... Jen Crabtree  
 Marketing Associate..... Madi Getz  
 Costume Design Faculty..... Michelle Hunt Souza  
 Costume Shop Supervisor..... Aimee Johnson  
 Costume Technology Faculty Advisor..... Grace Cochran Keenan  
 Assistant Costume Shop Supervisor..... Marti Coles  
 Assistant Costume Designer/Wardrobe Supervisor..... Natalie Pozezinski, Teresa Crater  
 Drapers..... Amy Ballew, Jackie Denning, and Grace Cochran Keenan  
 Wardrobe Crew..... Jessica Ackley, Alexis Decock, Jackie Denning, Paige Elberg, Lauren Hankins, Suzanne Janes ^, De'Ontae Murray, McKenzie Nadeau, Carmen Phillips, Alana Porche, Sophia Robson, Macie Sadler, Marissa Thompson, Becca Tocchi  
 Lighting Design Faculty..... Jakyung C. Seo  
 Lighting and Sound Supervisor..... Jason Potts  
 Sound Design Faculty..... Jeff Polunas  
 Assistant Sound Designer..... Bella Brehm  
 A1/Mixing Engineer..... Daniel Braun  
 A2/Mic Tech..... Jack Drinan  
 Head Electrician..... Molly Doherty ^  
 Assistant Head Electrician..... Joe Malovasic  
 Programmer..... Nick Eberts  
 Lightboard Operator..... Abigail McGrath  
 Spot Coordinator..... Amy Beery  
 Follow Spot Operators..... Srikar Bellana, Tomie Fogg-Cotterman, Sarah Schmidt, Andrew Wilson  
 Scene Shop Supervisor..... Jason Gates  
 Paint Shop Supervisor..... Kathalina Thorpe  
 Charge Scenic Artist..... Melody Amigo  
 Scenic Graduate Assistant..... Jack Libengood ^, Kathalina Thorpe  
 Lead Craft Technician..... Suzanne Janes ^  
 Technical Director Faculty Advisor..... Steve Pauna ^  
 Run Crew..... Ina Black, Josh Outman, Megan Smid, Kenadee Smith, Ozemenay Taylor, Isabela Villanueva  
 Stunt Coordinator/Fight Consultant..... Ryan Zarecki  
 Fight Captains..... Alexandra Baxter ^, Amanda Rearick ^

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## Roe Green



### Roe Green VISITING DIRECTOR SERIES

Roe Green is a local arts patron, activist, and CEO of The Roe Green Foundation. Ms. Green received her B.A in theatre and communications from the University of Colorado in 1970 and in 1980 she was awarded an M.A. in theatre from Kent State University. She has extensive stage and business management experience, including Cain Park, The Cleveland Opera, and the Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park. In 2003, the Roe Green Foundation established a visiting director's series for the School of Theatre and Dance. In 2018, Ms. Green and the Roe Green Foundation endowed the visiting director series with a gift of \$2.2 million to allow the series to continue on for decades to come.

In January, 2006, the Roe Green Foundation pledged the largest capital gift (at that time) in Kent State University history in order to create The Roe Green Center for the School of Theatre and Dance. This capital gift enabled the construction of new and the renovation of existing facilities in the Music and Speech Building (now the Center for the Performing Arts) which united theatre and dance under one roof for the first time in university history. The project brought the footprint of the School of Theatre and Dance to more than 70,000 square feet. The new facilities help create a central location on campus for the performing arts, as the building will house programs in theatre, dance and music.

At Kent State University, Ms. Green is an emeritus member of the Kent State University Foundation board and sits on boards of the School of Theatre and Dance and Porthouse Theatre.

Ms. Green serves on the board of The Cleveland Play House, where she is the honorary producer of New Ground, a festival that showcases new work in the performing arts. Green is honorary producer for the new play workshop in Chautauqua, NY and serves on the dean's advisory board at the University

of Colorado, on the President's advisory council of Case Western Reserve University, and on the advisory board of the Colorado Shakespeare Festival. Green is on the International board of Governor's for the Shaw Festival in Canada and is the co-chair of the Israeli arts committee for the Jewish Federation in Cleveland. Green is the president emeritus of C.A.V.O.R.T., Inc. (Conference About Volunteers of Regional Theatres).

As CEO of the Roe Green Foundation, Green is responsible for the Judge Ben C. Green professorship at Case Western Reserve University, as well as the law library named for her father. The Roe Green Foundation established a battered women's shelter in Geauga called the "Green House," and the Foundation also started the Green Arts Fund that supported the Jewish Community Center arts and culture programs.

Green is the recipient of the 2009 Ohio Arts Council's Governor's Arts Patron award, the President's medallion from Kent State University, and awards from the Cleveland Play House, University of Colorado, and Maltz Jupiter Theatre. She received the Dramatist Guild Fund award for her work with new plays in 2013. In 2015, Ms. Green received the Kent State University College of the Arts' inaugural Centennial Award for her service and patronage. In 2017, she received the Theatre Forward Leadership Award at the Theatre Forward Chairman's Awards Gala.

Ms. Green, an avid world traveler who has visited more than 160 countries, was a competitive ballroom dancer for 12 years.