

Memorial Hall tickets are a hot seller

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Single tickets are going fast for the first season of performances at the renovated Memorial Hall.

Lines at the box office, however, are not.

The office opened Monday for people who want to purchase individual tickets for the upcoming season, but because of a high volume of buyers and other problems, lines dragged.

Ticket subscription packages went on sale July 1 and also have been moving briskly.

People who came to purchase individual tickets Monday waited, some as long as 45 minutes, in the heat outside the hall to get seats.

Emil Kang, executive director for the arts, was out talking to customers and handing out free bottles of water. He said some people were upset that they could not purchase tickets on the Internet.

"We're not online yet, and we're working on that," Kang said.

While some people were upset with the process, he said the spirit of the day was not one of bitterness and most people were just anxious to get seats.

"They were really worried that they wouldn't be able to," he said.

Tuesday, problems were still apparent at the box office, though

Ticket sales

Tickets for Memorial Hall went on sale Monday. As of 2 p.m. yesterday more than 1400 subscriptions have been sold for individual shows.

Subscriptions sold per series

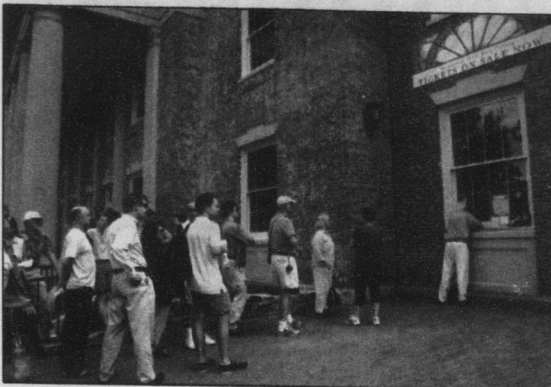
500	American Roots
300	Classical 2
300	Jazz
150	Classical 1
100	Dance
100	World Stage
30	Urban Voices
100	Full Season

SOURCE: MEMORIAL HALL BOX OFFICE
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lines were moved into the air-conditioned lobby. Some customers were listing complaints to officials and box-office personnel.

"We're working out a few kinks, but we'll get there," said Steve Allred, executive associate provost, who came by the box office Tuesday.

Patrons had to fill out forms with their contact information, which had to be entered into the box office's computer system, before they could purchase tickets. Allred said that process added to the wait.



George Summer (right) purchases tickets at Memorial Hall on Monday afternoon while a large crowd waits in the sweltering heat behind him.

He said officials are working on a system to link campus box offices so patrons can purchase tickets at one location.

"The goal is that someone who wants to attend any performance on campus ... can go online and buy tickets," Allred said.

Until that time, people who want to attend performances at Memorial Hall must call or go to the box office.

Susan Ellis, a UNC alumna, said she tried to call the box office

Monday but couldn't get through. She came to the Memorial Hall box office in person Tuesday to get tickets for an October show.

She said she was excited about seeing performances in the transformed hall, which she attended when she was a student.

"I can tell that the level of performances here is really going to take it a step up."

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Congress committees tackle bevy of issues

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Student Congress representatives met in committee Tuesday night in the first meetings of the year.

The Rules and Judiciary Committee discussed a resolution that would change the required turnout in student elections.

Currently the Student Code states that a referendum can be placed on the ballot if at least 10 percent of the Student Body signs a petition.

Also, an election is invalid if less than 2.5 percent of the student body casts a vote.

Rep. James Riley told members of the committee that he felt the number should be higher and suggested the 2.5 was a typo for 25 percent.

Several students in the committee voiced concern Tuesday night about how many students should be voting in student elections.

Not all members agree that the number should be raised or what number the percent change should be.

Kris Gould, speaker pro temp, said they should be careful in how high they raise the amount.

He noted that if the amount was too high and it was passed, it would be very difficult to go back.

The issue will be brought before Student Congress during their first meeting of the school year.

Other issues brought before the Rules and Judiciary committee included adding an investigative committee.

They also discussed a resolution that removed the student body president's status as a member of Student Congress.

Members also considered an amendment proposing an investigative public hearing that would allow Congress members the ability to look into issues on campus before passing legislation.

Currently, Congress' ability to hold public hearings depends on what is already legislated.

In a separate meeting, members of Congress' Student Affairs Committee discussed their plans for the year.

Committee members wanted to schedule more meetings with University administrators.

They also said their goal was to make the student community more aware of important issues around campus, and members wanted to provide ways for students to become more involved on campus.

POLICE LOG

■ At 8:08 p.m. Monday, a former UNC Hospitals employee, now residing in Ontario, reported being a victim of credit card fraud. A total of \$10,015.81 was rung up on two cards, police reports state. Jane Cousins, Chapel Hill Police Department spokeswoman, said the man suspects that someone made fraudulent purchases on cards sent to his North Carolina address after he had moved away.

■ A Hillsborough man reported being a victim of larceny from a motor vehicle at 12:05 p.m. Monday after a Milwaukee-brand circular saw was removed from the bed of his truck, police reports state. The saw, which was taken while the vehicle was in a parking lot at 1801 Fordham Blvd. in Chapel Hill, was valued at \$370, according to police reports.

■ Jamison Denard Lee Ingram,

of 5B Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. in Chapel Hill, was arrested at 12:30 a.m. Tuesday on Starlight Drive in Carrboro for possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, and driving with a suspended or revoked license after he was found to be in possession of 3.8 grams of cocaine and \$110 in seized cash, police reports state.

Ingram was released on a \$5,000 secured bond with street restrictions and was ordered to appear Sept. 27 in Chapel Hill District Court, according to police reports.

■ Albert Royce Nowell II of Wilson was cited at 2:04 a.m. Monday for underage possession of a malt beverage on West Rosemary Street in Chapel Hill, police reports state.

■ Manuel Rangel Cervantes,

of 206 Laurel Ave. in Carrboro, was arrested on East Main Street in Carrboro at 4:53 p.m. Monday. He was charged with possession of an open alcoholic beverage, driving with fictitious tags on his 1979 Ford and driving without a license, police reports state.

He was released on a secured \$1,000 bond and ordered to appear in Hillsborough District Court on Sept. 27. He was also served papers from Carrboro for failure to appear in court on a previous violation, according to police reports.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ The Red Cross is hosting a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the Great Hall of the Student Union. In addition, the group has a general interest meeting at 7 p.m. in room 3413 in the Student Union.

■ The Advocates for Children Committee of Healthy Carolinians is hosting a free Brown Bag Lunch seminar from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at the Whitted Human Services Center, in Hillsborough. The seminar is about the new Family Treatment Court.

■ A building dedication and reception for the Michael Hooker Research Center will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. today at the center.

■ Catholic Campus Ministry will host its annual Backyard Bash at 5:30 p.m. today at the Newman Center, at 218 Pittsboro Street.

■ Lutheran Campus Ministry will hold its Welcome Back Worship and Dinner at 5:30 p.m. today at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, located at 300 E. Rosemary St.

■ Week of Welcome event You Got Served will take place at 7 p.m. today in the Great Hall of the Student Union. There will also be a Late Night Breakfast from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. in Lenoir Dining Hall.

■ An outreach meeting for University community members affected by Hurricane Katrina will be held from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. today in the Union Auditorium. Representatives from the Counseling and Psychological Services, Campus Ministries and Campus Y will be available.

■ Monster Road, a documentary about Bruce Bickford, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. today at the Carrboro

Century Center. The showing is free and part of an effort to launch a non-profit movie theater in Carrboro.

■ The Orange County Board of Commissioners is holding a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. today at the F. Gordon Battle Courtroom in Hillsborough. This is the second hearing held by the commissioners to garner feedback on possible plans to elect commissioners by district.

■ N.C. Hillel will host a free screening of "Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy" at 8:30 p.m. today on the grass of Hillel, 210 West Cameron Avenue. Blankets and snacks will be provided. Visit www.nchillel.org for more information.

To make a calendar submission, visit <http://www.dailytarheel.com> for a list of submission policies and contacts. Events must be sent in by 12 noon the preceding publication date.



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