

# **Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi**

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## **‘Big Love’ Takes Center Stage at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi in Modern Remake of Tragicomic Aeschylus Play**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – The University Theatre at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will present “Big Love” Tuesday, Oct. 14, through Saturday, Oct. 18, and Sunday, Oct. 19, in the Warren Theatre in the Center for the Arts. Performances are at 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

In “Big Love,” Obie award-winning playwright Charles Mee delivers a modern retelling of one of the western world’s oldest plays, “The Danaids” by Aeschylus, which takes a tragicomic look at societal expectations, matrimony, masculinity, femininity, sexuality and hope.

Fifty brides flee their 50 grooms through arranged marriages to seek refuge in an Italian villa. After the grooms find their brides, mayhem ensues. And, finally, unable to escape their forced marriages, 49 of the brides murder their grooms—and one bride falls in love. Infusing pop music, poetry and dance, Mee paints a funny and shocking picture of present day relationships between men and women.

“Big Love” is directed by Kelly Russell, assistant professor of theatre.

The play is for mature audiences. Tickets are \$8 for general admission, \$7 for seniors and military, \$5 for faculty and staff and \$3 for students with SandDollar\$ ID. For more information or to order tickets, call 361.825.5800.

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