



CAL POLY

THEATRE & DANCE

# SHELTER



*An Audio Play*



STREAMING

**MARCH 6**

TICKETS AND INFO

[pacslo.org](http://pacslo.org) | [theatredance.calpoly.edu](http://theatredance.calpoly.edu)

**20/21**  
SEASON

My name is Brian Healy. I am a Central Coast resident and Assistant Professor of Stage Design here in the Cal Poly Theatre and Dance Department. Like so many individuals, businesses, and institutions right now, restrictions on public gatherings have deeply impacted how we engage our communities and challenged us to reimagine how we might achieve our professional, creative, and academic goals in safe, meaningful ways.

I believe now, more than ever, is the time to build partnerships within our community, to come together in new ways to remind our patrons, and ourselves, that we are in this together. It is toward this end that I write to you now, to describe one way in which we might share our mutual support:

Shelter.

As a word it carries distinct meaning for each of us. As an ideal, it draws us together. Shelter also happens to be the title of our Winter *production*, though *experience* might be a more appropriate word....

Imagined by Assistant Professor Karin Hendricks-Bolen and (7) student writer-performers, *Shelter* asks:

*What if your home could speak?*

*This is the question at the center of Cal Poly's original audio play, Shelter, an experimental theatrical experience that invites audience members to use their own personal listening devices to take a guided explorative journey of their own home. Streamed autobiographical stories, devised and written by Cal Poly students, will allow the audience to experience their own living space in a unique and compelling way.*

The metaphors for *Shelter* are indeed countless, and it is our intent as visual artists to explore how, where, and why we seek shelter, as well as the ways in which we share our art and our experiences with each other. With a team of (8) student and staff design assistants, we have created and curated (15) unique visual representations inspired by the original audio content being devised by our writer-performers. Each 8" x 8" plexiglass box contains original mixed media creations. We have placed these "minute perspectives" in highly visible locations within partner businesses around SLO, and utilizing the included map, invite viewers to find and consider their contents.

## Contributing Visual Artists

Laina Annette Babb, Costume Shop Manager, Theatre & Dance Department

#1 Viewable at Kin Coffee Bar

#2 Viewable at Scout Coffee Co.

Clare Cantus, 3<sup>rd</sup> year Theatre Arts Major

#1 Viewable at Baxter Moerman

#2 Viewable at Giuseppe's

Hannah Drechsel, 2<sup>nd</sup> year Theatre Arts Major

#1 Viewable at Blackwater

#2 Viewable at Junkgirls

Brian Healy, Design Mentor, Theatre & Dance Department

#1 Viewable after 3/17 at SLO Chamber of Commerce

Willow Leigh Miller-Cornu, 4<sup>th</sup> year Theatre Arts Major

#1 Viewable at Kreuzberg California

Isabella Diane Ramirez, 4<sup>th</sup> year Theatre Arts Major and WGS Minor

#1 "GROWTH" Viewable at Seeds

#2 Viewable at EcoBambino

Evan Reed, 4<sup>th</sup> year Theatre Arts Major

#1 Viewable at Williams Sonoma

Courtney Sutherland, 3<sup>rd</sup> year Theatre Arts Major

#1 Viewable at Williams Sonoma

Jacqueline Yeung, 1<sup>st</sup> year Theatre Arts Major

#1 Viewable at Linnaea's

#2 Viewable at Karson Butler Events (at Ah Louis Store)



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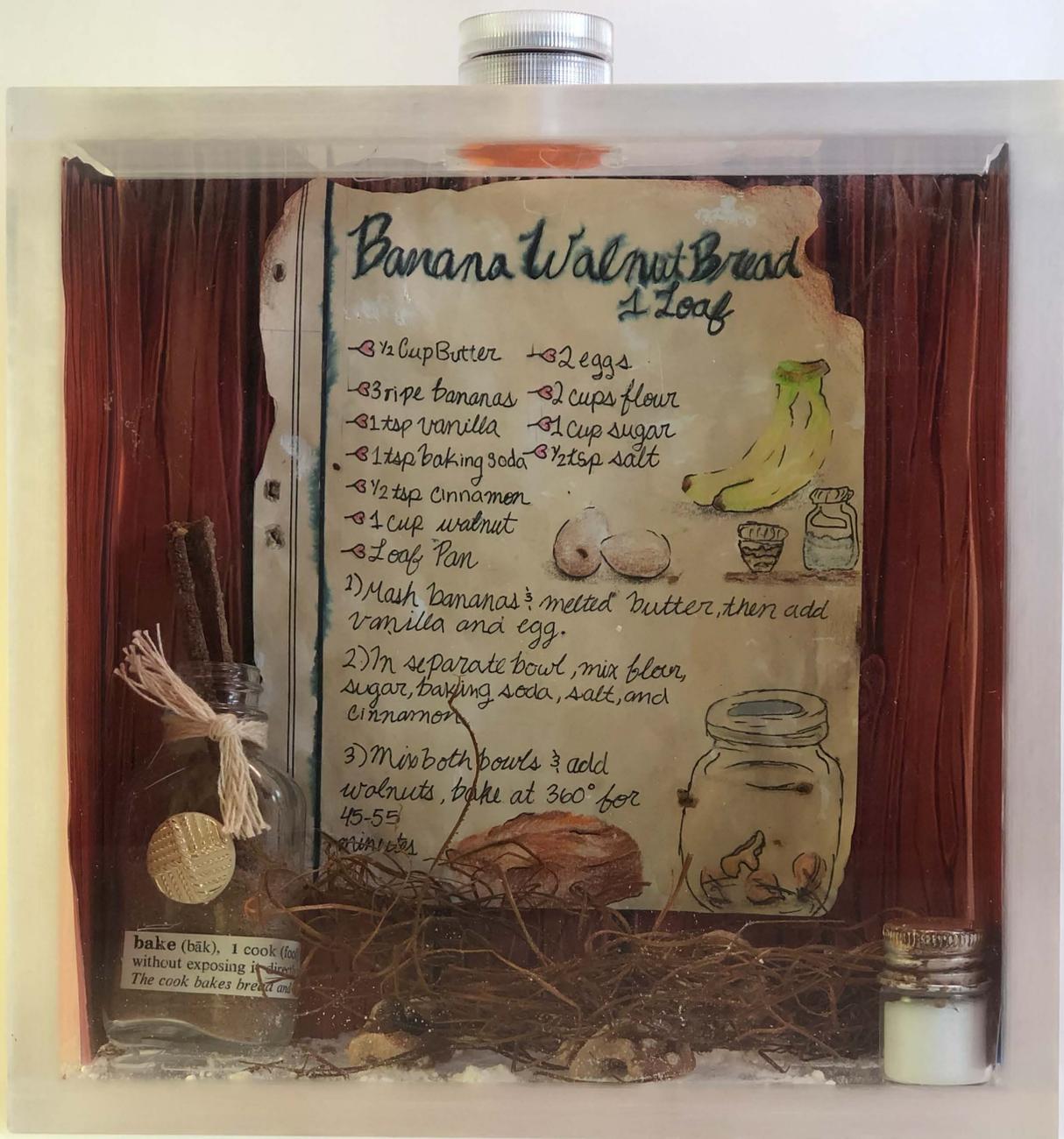
Isabella Diane Ramirez, 4th Year Theatre Arts Major and WGS Minor  
Viewable through 3/13 at Ecobambino



Evan Reed, 4th Year Theatre Arts Major  
Viewable through 3/13 at Karson Butler Events



Courtney Sutherland, 3rd Year Theatre Arts Major  
Viewable through 3/13 at William Sonoma



Jacqueline Yeung, 1st Year Theatre Arts Major  
Viewable through 3/13 at Linnaea's



Jacqueline Yeung, 1st Year Theatre Arts Major  
Viewable through 3/13 at Karson Butler Events

# SHELTER: *MINUTE PERSPECTIVES*

Viewable at the following partner locations through March 13.

a map to visual metaphors...

1. Baxter Moerman
2. Blackwater
3. EcoBambino
4. Giuseppe's
5. Junk Girls
6. Karson Butler Events (at Ah Louis Store)
7. Kin Coffee
8. Kreuzberg California
9. Linnaea's
10. Scout Coffee Co.
11. Seeds
12. SLO Chamber of Commerce
13. Williams Sonoma





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The Cal Poly Theatre and Dance Department  
is immensely grateful for the organizations  
that partnered with us on Shelter.

THANK YOU!

We love making jewelry. It's been a natural collaboration from the beginning. The two of us at our respective jewelry benches, sketching out new ideas, making prototypes, seeing each one slowly come to life. It would be inaccurate to attribute any design to just one of us, it's always been a team effort brainstorming new concepts and boiling them down to a completed piece. We still work this way even today, informal daily critiques, always improving, seeing how we can make better jewelry. This simple process ultimately shapes what you see in our store showcases and the pages of this website. We are excited to share our new work with you. We hope you like what we've been up to. Stay tuned. There's always something new around the bend.

1128 Garden Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401  
Instagram: @baxtermoerman

**BAXTER MOERMAN**  
MODERN · CLASSIC · JEWELRY



**BLACKWATER**



Blackwater was started out of garage by two youngmoms in 1988 and has since evolved into an eclectic mother-daughter owned boutique located in the heart of downtown San Luis Obispo, CA. At Blackwater, we have curated a unique collection of clothing, accessories and more. Whether you need the perfect fitting dress for your upcoming event or a last minute festival outfit, our team of stylists is ready to help you find the perfect piece.

778 Higuera Street San Luis Obispo, CA  
93401 Instagram: @shopblackwater



Located in beautiful Downtown, San Luis Obispo, EcoBambino's brick-colored storefront stands out on historic Monterey Street. The 2,500 square-foot space with its squeaky hardwood floor, is filled with natural and eco-friendly products for children. At EcoBambino, we strive to enrich children's lives with products that support healthy growth, and inspire thinking, learning, and creativity. We believe in creating a healthy environment for children, while also working to preserve our planet. We care about the products filling our shelves, but we also care deeply about the families who visit our store. We value our customers and want to give them a positive, memorable shopping experience, whether through our website or in person.

**863 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @ecobambino**

In 1988, Giuseppe DiFronzo breathed life into the original Giuseppe's Cucina in Pismo Beach. What started as a Cal Poly senior project has since spawned a second restaurant, located in thriving downtown San Luis Obispo. Much beloved by locals and travelers alike, Giuseppe's was an early adopter of the farm-to-fork philosophy.

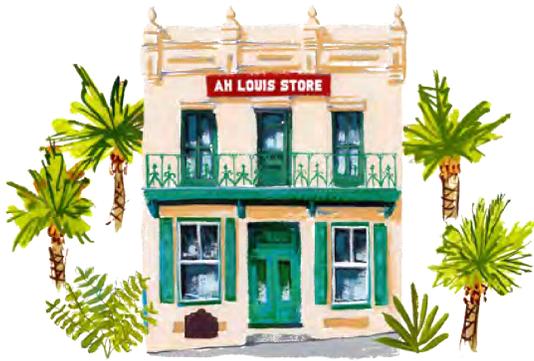


**849 Monterey St. San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @slogiuseppes**



Junkgirls was founded by Jenny & Melissa in 2009. After 18+ years working for themselves and others like Netflix and eBay, we both wanted more. Our vision for The Junk Girls is to put their collective skill sets together and do something meaningful that would make a difference for both ourselves and others. The Junk Girls was born out of Art Therapy for Jenny, and Melissa's love for all things handmade. We focus on creating Art, Lighting, Furniture, Jewelry and Home Décor and we strive to create everything using recycled, repurposed, vintage, antique and found items from the USA. We have a passion for giving found, vintage & forgotten objects a new life & purpose.

**870 Monterey St.**  
**San Luis Obispo, California 93401**  
**Instagram: @thejunkgirls**



## KARSON BUTLER EVENTS

at the  
AH LOUIS STORE

Named by Special Events Magazine as one of the top 25 young event pros under 40 to watch, Amber Karson + Emily Butler have excelled over the last 18 years in both the corporate and social event markets. Having planned events around the globe in India, Portugal, Canada, the Bahamas, Dominican Republic, England, Iceland, and across the United States, Karson Butler Events offers a unique boutique approach to event planning. Amber + Emily bring style, creativity, & professionalism to create highly personalized events that focus on the guest experience. Together they're excited to share their latest adventure, KBE at the Ah Louis Store with you!

**800 Palm Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @karsonbutler**

Once upon a nightmare there was a blended kid with a blended family in a cookie cutter place. Nowhere to fit in.  
// Nowhere to hang out. // Nowhere to go.

They found solace in the cover of darkness.  
A black cup of coffee, a nook, and a book. No longer alone.  
A sweet escape. Sound familiar? We are a blended staff from blended backgrounds serving up blended beans here to stand against "the norm." If you've ever felt like an outcast in a cookie cutter place, we're here to stand for you too. Kin means family, and here—you're *no longer alone*.

**847 Higuera Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @kin.slo**



Kreuzberg California opened its doors in downtown San Luis Obispo in 2010 as an experiment in combining the vibrant cafe scene of the Kreuzberg neighborhood of Berlin, with the chill breezy lifestyle of San Luis Obispo. The idea was to create a place where you could grab a cappuccino in the morning, a sando at lunch, and then close up your laptop for cocktails with friends at night. We love our community. Come be creative with us!

**685 Higuera Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @kreuzbergcalifornia**



It all began in 1984 when Linnaea Phillips created a gathering place for conversation, music, social events, and, of course, sharing good food and drink. With the help of many friends, her vision of a classic coffee house became a reality.

Linnaea's remains a popular showcase for rising local artists and host to a variety of musical performances, poetry readings, art installations, jazz, jams, and other events.

**1110 Garden Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @linnaeascafe**

Scout Coffee has been making happy coffee since January of 2014. The combination of scratch made pastries, craft roasted coffee, and curated goods in a creative space makes stepping into Scout a memorable and magical experience.

Our goal has always been to create inspiring spaces, with great people and amazing products, in a way that truly adds value to the community around us. We hope you love it here.



**1130 Garden Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @scoutcoffee**



Seeds is lucky to be located in beautiful San Luis Obispo. A microclimate that embodies both Northern and Southern California vibes- from the people to their palates. We are able to get our ingredients from numerous local vendors. This way, we know we can give our customers the freshest and most flavorful vegetables and fruits California has to offer. Most of all, we want to expand people's creativity of food and prove that healthy eating doesn't always come in a bland variety.

**1133 Garden Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @seedsongarden**

A fresh perspective. A recipe for innovation. A commitment to connection. At Williams Sonoma, we believe that home is the heart of everything. A place where curiosity lives and generosity is served. Where lives are nourished and everyday inspires.

**864 Monterey Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**  
**Instagram: @williamssonoma**

