

Recent Gamelan grant brings total to \$5200

SCSU's Music Department recently received another grant for the operation of the Indonesian Gamelan. A total of \$5200 in grants have been received from the SCSU Foundation, Central Minnesota Community Foundation, and the St. Cloud Public Arts Commission. The grants, along with participation fees and ticket sales for the upcoming April 17 concert, will pay for all the expenses of Gamelan operation this year.

The Gamelan is an Indonesian instrument comprised of xylophones, drums and gongs. Fifteen participants, including SCSU students and faculty and community members play the Gamelan. About 250 students from Foley, Clearview and Jefferson Elementary schools will be coming to SCSU for "hands on" sessions with the Gamelan. Elementary methods students will alternate Gamelan sessions with creative music experience sessions led by Marcelyn Smale, Music Department.

"A Taste of Gamelan" concert will be held at SCSU on Dec. 8. The concert is designed to introduce the public to the Gamelan, and will be free and open to the public. The April 17 performance will be more elaborate, with native Indonesian dancing and costumes. Deb Leigh's dance students from the Theatre, Film Studies and Dance Department will perform at the concert. Prices for tickets to the April 17 performance have not yet been determined. For more information about the Dec. 8 concert or about the Gamelan, contact the Music Department at 255-3223.