



# SHEN WEI DANCE ARTS

SHARED FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE, SEPTEMBER 24 AND 25, LANDMARK THEATRE, SYRACUSE

Once you're here, you will quickly find that you have many chances to connect with your classmates—in and out of class.

One is an experience you will share with the whole entering class. It's called the Shared First-Year Experience, a cultural event held in downtown Syracuse featuring an internationally prominent artist whose work serves as a touchstone for students from all backgrounds, and for the array of academic disciplines and intellectual traditions across the University.

Your class will be the special guests at a performance by the dance company of 2008 Beijing Olympics Opening Ceremonies choreographer, Shen Wei, hailed by *The Washington Post* as "one of the great artists of our time."

On September 24 and 25, Shen Wei Dance Arts, one of the premier dance ensembles in the world, will ignite the stage of the historic Landmark Theater in downtown Syracuse. Renowned for his media-crossing and technologically savvy artistry, Shen Wei weaves together ancient and modern themes that speak to contemporary life. The company's Syracuse performance will feature a new work developed in part during their spring 2009 residency on the SU campus.

Later this summer, you will receive information from your home school or college with ways to begin exploring how Shen Wei's work intersects with the intellectual and professional traditions of your academic field. Stay tuned!

