UCSC outlines plans for new music building

A new music building — including a 400-seat recital hall — is in the works at UC-Santa Cruz, with construction likely to begin next year.

The \$12 million project will be located just east of the Performing Arts parking lot, and just south of the Student Center. In addition to the recital hall, the building will contain classrooms, practice rooms, offices and service space.

A lone oak tree on the sight will be preserved, and will flank the main entry plaza together with a future Gamelan Room.

Long-term plans for the site in-

clude a 1,500-seat concert hall, but that phase of the project is several years down the road. Funding for the recital hall, classrooms and practice rooms is secure through a state proposition, said Steve Miller, Business and Operations Manager for the university's Division of the Arts.

The existing Performing Arts Concert Hall will be used for theatrical productions once the new recital hall is complete.

The expansion of the music complex is part of the university's plans in anticipation of growth to 15,000 students in the next decade.

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