



Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds

DKA to honor Gene Kelly

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On March 21 at 7 p.m., Delta Kappa Alpha (DKA), the cinema fraternity, will honor one of Hollywood's greatest stars in a tribute entitled "An Evening with Gene Kelly." Film clips, an audience question and answer session and a discussion between Kelly and Jack Haley Jr., the tribute's moderator, are planned for the event in Norris Theater.

"The basic approach to the evening is to emphasize Kelly's versatility as a screen artist, director, choreographer, dancer and performer," said Mark Wilkinson, the tribute's coordinator. Wilkinson, a senior in cinema and production, wrote to Kelly over a year ago while Kelly was working on the film *Xanadu*. He said that he would be available in March and the date was set. "Mr. Kelly expressed a desire for a student audience. He's a very informal person and wants students to get the opportunity to meet him and hopefully learn something. He's just that kind of person."

Jack Haley Jr. is a close friend of Kelly's and an expert on film compilations. He produced, wrote and directed the film *That's Entertainment* and is the executive producer of *That's Hollywood*.

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