

COLA NEWS

May 2, 2008

1. Ohio sculptor Kate Budd will present a lecture on the 9th *International Shoebox Exhibition* currently on display in the Robert and Elaine Stein Galleries on Sunday, May 4, at 2:30 p.m. in M252 Creative Arts Center, followed by a reception in the Galleries from 4:00-5:30 p.m. Kate, who was born in 1969 in Nairobi, Kenya, and is an associate professor at the Myers School of Art at the University of Akron, received an individual Artist Fellowship from the Ohio Arts Council in 2003, and her work has been exhibited in numerous group exhibitions in the United Kingdom, the Midwest and Texas. The lecture and reception are free and open to the public.

2. The college will hold a reception on Tuesday, May 6 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Millett Atrium to honor three CoLA department chairs, Dr. James Sayer (Communication) who is now Dean of the Lake Campus; Dr. David Garrison (Modern Languages) and Dr. Edward Haas (History), both of whom are returning to full-time teaching; and our faculty who are retiring this year, Dr. Jeanne Ballantine (Sociology), Ronald Geibert (Art and Art History), and Dr. Mark Sirkin (Political Science). Please stop by to wish them well.

3. Dr. Bill Irvine, Professor of Philosophy, will present an Honors Dialogue, "The Evolution vs. Creationism Debate," on May 8 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. in 206 Fawcett Hall. All are welcome to attend.

4. The College of Liberal Arts is hosting its fourth annual Undergraduate Student Symposium on Wednesday, May 14 from 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the Millett Hall Atrium. The symposium highlights and supports the best research and creative efforts of our CoLA undergraduate students. Symposium presenters are:

Linda Morgan (Women's Studies), "Losing a Child, Bearing a Star: A Personal Inquiry into the 'Gold Star Mother.'" Nominated by Judith Ezekiel, Professor in Residence of Women's Studies.

Mike Gray (English), "After Alice." Short story. Nominated by Dr. Erin Flanagan, Assistant Professor of English.

Katharine Luebcke (History), "Women, Religion, and the Growth of Hierarchy in Ancient Israel." Nominated by Dr. Tim Pollack-Lagushenko, Assistant Professor of History.

Patrick Beatty (Art and Art History), "Yue Minjun and the Symbolic Smile." Nominated by Dr. Lisa Morrisette, Assistant Professor of Art and Art History.

Naomi Cowan-Barkley (History), "From Anglo-Saxon to Anglo-Norman: for Better or Worse?" Nominated by Dr. Tim Pollack-Lagushenko, Assistant Professor of History.

Karen Maner (French), "Guide d'Assimilation pour les Francais." Multimedia presentation. Nominated by Dr. Marie Hertzler, Assistant Professor of French.

This event is open to faculty, staff, students and guests. Refreshments will be served.

5. The award-winning WSU Model UN team received Outstanding Delegation and Outstanding Position Papers for Canada at the 2008 National Model United Nations Conference last week. Congratulations to all the team members and their advisors.

6. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** The college's strategic planning committee is in the processing of developing our new strategic plan and will hold meetings for CoLA faculty and staff as noted in the schedule below. The three main purposes for the first meeting are: (1) to present the University's Strategic Plan time line and Goals, Objectives, and Core Values; (2) to present CoLA's assessment; and and (3) for Dean Taylor to present and discuss the critical issues facing the college. A second meeting will be held to identify goals and objectives for the college. This work will lay the foundation for department strategic plans. The meetings are scheduled as follows:

First Meeting Dates

May 12 – 12:00-2:00 p.m., 035 Medical Sciences

May 13 – 9:00-11:00 a.m., 240 Allyn

May 15 – 3:00-5:00 p.m., 495 Millett

Second Meeting Dates

May 19 – 12:00-2:00 p.m., 035 Medical Sciences

May 20 – 9:00-11:00 a.m., 240 Allyn

May 22 – 3:00-5:00 p.m., 035 Medical Sciences

Please try to attend one of these very important meetings each week. Light refreshments will be served. Watch for Dean Taylor's email which will provide more details early next week.

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