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Theatre and Dance to Present Spring Dance Concert, ‘Delectus’



Members of the FSU Dance Company practice a scene for the Spring Dance Concert.

The FSU Dance Company will present its spring dance concert, “Delectus,” on **Thursday through Saturday, April 11 to 13**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pealer Center Drama Theatre. Under the direction of FSU faculty member **Shylo Martinez**, “Delectus” will offer an evening of dance from selected choreographers, featuring a range of styles of dance and subject matter.

The evening starts out with a piece from Martinez, titled “Suite,” which will take one on a journey through many styles of jazz and musical theatre dance with an upbeat nature appropriate for all ages.

This will be followed by a piece choreographed by **Lauren Lynch**, “Recovery,” which explores the ideas of personal strength through perseverance and the ability to keep going when it is easier to give up.

Other works include the topic of growth and personal journey, such as “Exposed” choreographed by **Ella Sisler**, “Into the Fire” choreographed by **Keirstin Tawney**, “Call Me Mother” choreographed by **Amani Simpson** and “Let It Go” choreographed by **Nadia Williams**, a piece that will leave one feeling emotionally charged.

The concert also includes the classical ballet variation “Blue Bird,” restaged by Martinez, to illustrate the value of the technique dancers go through daily.

Through the use of lighting and explorations of shadowing, “The Way Through IS IN” will show an artistic way in which one may observe himself or herself.

Jala Edwards uses dance to illustrate her views of “WWIII” and its meaning to her in a captivating modern piece.

“Repulse,” choreographed by **Alyssa Adams**, reminds one of J.R.R. Tolkien’s line, “Not all who wander are lost.”

The concert closes with a piece created and restaged by Martinez, “E P O C H,” which is strong, powerful and visually stimulating. This work focuses on a period in one’s life marked by notable events and particular characteristics, such as this evening of dance.

Tickets can be purchased online through University Tickets or at the box office. Visit the website at www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance and click “Buy Tickets Now” to make an online reservation (service fees apply). Or, for info about the show and to make group reservations, call the box office at 301-687-7462 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for students and youth and \$15 for the general public.

Music

Unless otherwise noted, performances will take place in Pealer Recital Hall and are free and open to the public. For info, contact the Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

Brazilian Pianist and Composer André Mehmari to Present Guest Artist Series Concert



FSU's Department of Music will present Brazilian pianist and composer André Mehmari in a Guest Artist Series concert on **Thursday, April 11**, at 7:30 p.m.

Mehmari is one of Brazil's leading young musicians, an award winner in popular and classical music and an improviser with three continents of musical literature at his fingertips – North and South America as well as Europe. As his compositions have been performed by leading orchestras such as Orquestra Sinfônica do Estado de São Paulo and chamber ensembles such as the São Paulo String Quartet, his career in jazz, classical and Brazilian popular music has attained wide attention in Brazil and abroad.

His active performing calendar includes his trio, duos with other singers and musicians, as well as solo piano recitals. Selected engagements include the Umbria Jazz Festival (Italy), Juan-les-pins (France), TIM Festival (Brazil), Brazil Jazz Fest (Brazil) and Spoleto Festival (U.S.).

As a regular feature of his concerts, he asks the audience to suggest themes and weaves them into an improvised suite. The audience hears his mind at work on material that they know well, establishing a warm connection between artist and audience.

Mehmari is also in demand as a composer. Among his commissions are the opening ceremonies of the 2007 Pan American games, a piece for pianist Maria João Pires for her "Schubertiade," a ballet for São Paulo Companhia de Dança and multiple works for Orquestra Sinfônica do Estado de São Paulo.

He has recorded more than 20 albums – solo and in collaboration with some of today's leading musicians. Among them is "Ouro sobre Azul," a solo piano album devoted to the works of Ernesto Nazareth, a Brazilian composer from the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries whose works were the first to capture the essence of Brazilian music.

Mehmari is a winner of the Prêmio VISA de MPB competition, the most important award for popular music in Brazil, and the Carlos Gomes award for classical music.

Dr. Brent Weber Will Perform Faculty Artist Series Concert

FSU's Department of Music will present saxophonist *Dr. Brent Weber* in a Faculty Artist Series concert on **Friday, April 12**, at 7:30 p.m.

Weber's recital will start with a solo performance and several guest artists will accompany him for additional performances.

Weber will perform "Sho Myo" for alto and baritone saxophone and soundtrack. This piece was composed in 2013 by Jacob Ter Beldhuis for Masanori Oishi and released on his CD, "No Man's Land." Sho-Myo means voice and wisdom. The composition is based on authentic Japanese Buddhist chants.

Weber will then perform "Bestiare," a classical chamber music piece composed in 1974 by Alphonse Stallaert, a Dutch composer who created this piece when he was a newspaper and magazine music critic. Weber will be accompanied by *Dr. Karen Lau* on cello.

The third piece, "Fun With Teeth," composed by Nate May in 2015, will be performed by Weber and *Dr. Mackenzie LaMont* on percussion. May is a composer and performer from Huntington, W.Va., whose work stems from a fascination, love and respect for the people of Appalachia. His chamber and orchestral music is characterized by textural intricacy, rhythmic drive and repurposed sounds.

For the fourth piece, "Építaphe de Jean Harlow: Romance pour Flûte, Saxophone et Piano," composed by Charles Koechlin in 1937, Weber will be joined by *Eftihia Arkoudis* on flute and *Dr. Joseph Yungen* on piano. Koechlin was a French composer who created this piece in remembrance of one of his muses, the young actress Jean Harlow, who passed away at the age of 26.

The final piece, "Black," composed by Marc Mellits in 2008, will be performed by Weber and *Eric Foreman* on baritone saxophone. Mellits' pieces offer a combination of driving rhythms, soaring lyricism and colorful orchestrations. He is a miniaturist, composing works comprised of short, contrasting movements and sections.

FSU Student DeAndre Cook in Junior Trombone Recital



FSU student *DeAndre Cook* will present his junior trombone recital on **Sunday, April 14**, at 7 p.m. Cook will be accompanied by pianist *Dr. Joseph Yungen*.

Cook's program will include "Daybreak" by Nicola Ferro, "Concerto for Trombone and Orchestra" by Launy Grondahl, "Liebesleid" ("Love's Sorrow") by Fritz Kreisler, "Vocalise" by Sergei Rachmaninoff and "Trombone Concertino in E-flat Major" by Ferdinand David.

Piano Ensemble and Studio Recital on April 14

FSU's Department of Music will present the Piano Ensemble, under the direction of *Dr. Jay DeWire*, in a recital on **Sunday, April 14**, at 3 p.m.

The ensemble will perform solo works by Frédéric Chopin, Joseph Haydn and others. The program will include a work by Chopin for two pianos and eight hands.

FSU Opera Theatre to Present Works by Henry Purcell

The FSU Department of Music Opera Theatre will present works by English Baroque composer Henry Purcell on **Monday and Tuesday, April 15 and 16**, at 7:30 p.m.

Performances will include scenes from Purcell's "semi-opera," "The Fairy Queen," which served as incidental music to William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," along with the tragic short opera, "Dido and Aeneas."

The presentation, directed by Music Department faculty, will feature performances from faculty members **Gregory Scott Stuart**, baritone; **Dr. Joseph Yungen**, piano and harpsichord; **Francesca Molinaro**, soprano; and **Scott Rieker**, as well as the University Chorale and student solo vocalists and instrumentalists. Guest artists include Lyle Nordstrom, who plays theorbo and is co-artistic director of Mountainside Baroque, and mezzo-soprano Lindsey Paradise.

This Opera Theatre performance is an outgrowth of the Opera Workshop course. It is conceived to provide experience preparing and performing in opera, as well as to involve a greater number of students in the performing arts departments, affording a chance to learn skills from and to work in tandem with professional singers and instrumentalists.

In the "Fairy Queen" scene of the Drunken Poet, the poet will be performed by baritone **Ivan Godoy**, first fairy by soprano **Alana James**, second fairy by soprano **Jennifer Hartlove** and other fairies by mezzo-soprano **Jerri Perry**, tenor **Gabriel Parker** and baritone **Christopher Hess**. In the scene of Corydon and Mopsa, Hess will play Corydon, and Parker, singing counter-tenor, will play Mopsa.

In "Dido and Aeneas," Paradise will perform the role of Dido, Queen of Carthage (Elissa); Trojan hero Aeneas will be played by Stuart on April 15 and Godoy on April 16; Belinda, Dido's lady in waiting, will be played by Molinaro on April 15 and James on April 16; Dido's second lady in waiting will be played by James on April 15 and Hartlove on April 16; the sorceress will be played by Godoy on April 15 and Hess on April 16; first witch will be played by Hartlove on April 15 and soprano **Ryann Cooper** on April 16; second witch will be played by Perry; Elf, the henchman of the Sorceress, will be played by Parker as counter-tenor; and the sailor will be played by Parker as tenor.

The instrumental ensemble includes Yungen, Nordstrom, **Hanna Livingston** and **Hana Chitsaz** on violin, and **Maggie Malat** on cello and continuo.

Flutist Eftihia Arkoudis to Perform 'Clazzical Souvenirs!' in Faculty Artist Series Concert



The FSU Department of Music will present Greek flutist **Eftihia Arkoudis** in a Faculty Artist Series concert titled "Clazzical Souvenirs!" on **Wednesday, April 17**, at 7:30 p.m.

She will be accompanied on piano by **Dr. Joseph Yungen**.

Arkoudis will first perform "Les Folies d'Espagne," an early 16th-century piece that imbues variations with Hispanic flair through the hints of strumming guitars. It was composed by Marin Marais, a French composer and viol player who was a musician to the royal court of Versailles.

Arkoudis will then perform "Two Sonnets" for the alto flute and piano, composed by Toru Takemitsu, a Japanese composer and writer on aesthetics and music theory in the 20th century.

The third piece is titled "Music for Mother Bear" for solo alto flute, a piece composed by Mike Mower, a newly commissioned composer who studied classical flute at the Royal Academy of Music in London and has received the Associate of the Royal Academy of Music award.

She will then present a romance piece by Charles Koechlin, "Épitaphe de Jean Harlow, Op. 164" for flute, alto saxophone and piano. She will be joined by faculty guest artist **Dr. Brent Weber** on saxophone. Koechlin was a French composer, teacher and writer who created this piece in remembrance of one of his muses, the young actress Jean Harlow, who passed away at the age of 26.

Arkoudis' final piece, the 1990's "Four Souvenirs" for flute and piano, was composed by Paul Schoenfield, a classical composer known for his integration of popular, folk and classical music arrangements. The piece has four movements, each serving as a modern interpretation of a more traditional folk or popular music genre.

CES to Host A Cappella Group Six Appeal in On the EDGE Series



CES' On the EDGE series at will present the a cappella group Six Appeal on **Thursday, April 18**, at 7:30 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The performance features informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and food and beverage options.

Combining boundless musical prowess and sharp comedic timing, Six Appeal presents an energetic, family-friendly evening of music that spans decades of classic oldies, current chart toppers and catchy original tunes.

Tickets are \$15 and may be ordered by visiting ces.frostburg.edu, or by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The CES box office, located in the Lane Center, is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FSU Student Corey Snowden to Present Senior Guitar Recital

FSU student **Corey Snowden** will present his senior guitar recital on **Friday, April 19**, at 7:30 p.m. Guest artists will include **Ryan Barber** on drums and **Garrett Spence** on bass.

Snowden's program will include "Tico-Tico no fuba" by Zequinha de Abreu, "Bachianinha No. 1" by Paulinho Nogueira, "Giocoso IV, Op. 148" and "La Rose" and "L'Oilette" from "Choix de mes fleurs chéries, Op. 46" by Mauro Giuliani, "Sonata K. 322" by Domenico Scarlatti, "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring" and "Sleepers Wake" by Johann Sebastian Bach, "Across the Universe" by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, "One Note Samba" by Antonio Carlos Jobim and "Just Funky" by Tomo Fujita.

CES at FSU Will Host Jazz Group Christian Sands Trio in LIVE! at StarScape Concert



CES at FSU celebrates Jazz Appreciation Month with a LIVE! at StarScape performance from the Christian Sands Trio on **Thursday, April 25**, at 7:30 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The club-style event includes bar service and a menu of appetizers and desserts.

Sands, a five-time Grammy-nominated jazz pianist, is an emerging force with a stylistic range that includes everything from stride piano and swing to be-bop, progressive jazz, fusion, Brazilian and Afro-Cuban. Jazz legend Wynton Marsalis declared him a “jazz star of the future,” and the New York Times raved about his style as “groove-drenched, gospelly and smartly plotted – a balance of physical body and electric charge.”

Immediately following the performance, CES will join forces with FSU’s WFWM-FM Public Radio to present the Offstage Series with WFWM, when station director **Chuck Dicken** joins the artists onstage for a lively interactive discussion with the audience.

Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$16.20 for youth under 18. Member, military and group discount rates are also available. For info or to order tickets, visit CES’ webpage at ces.frostburg.edu or contact the CES box office at 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office, located in the Lane Center, is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

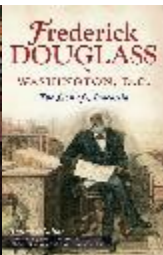
FSU Student Grant Stryckning Will Perform Senior Classical and Jazz Guitar Recital

FSU student **Grant Stryckning** will present his senior classical and jazz guitar recital on **Saturday, April 20**, at 7:30 p.m. He will be accompanied by guest artists **Dr. Brent Weber** on the saxophone, **Mirto Dorcil** and **Tom Harrison** on piano, and **Dunel Petit-Frere** on drums.

Stryckning’s program will include “Sonata K. 208” and “Sonata K. 333” by Domenico Scarlatti; “Chôros No. 1” by Heitor Villa-Lobos; “Preludio,” “Madrigal” and “Aire de Danza” from “Guitar Suite No. 1” by Inocente José Carreño; “Fantaisie Hongroise” from “Trois Morceaux, Op. 65” by Johann Kaspar Mertz; “Gamma Band” by Kurt Rosenwinkel; “317 East 32nd Street” by Lennie Tristano; “I Loves You, Porgy” by George Gershwin; “Windows” by Chick Corea; and “Rumples” by Adam Rogers.

Presentations

Historian John Muller to Present ‘Lost History: Frederick Douglass in Western Maryland’



FSU will host a presentation, “Lost History: Frederick Douglass in Western, Maryland,” by author John Muller on **Tuesday, April 9**, at 6 p.m. in Gira Center room 397. This event is free and open to the public.

Frederick Douglass, an American abolitionist leader, social reformer, lecturer and writer on antislavery, made numerous visits to lecture throughout Western Maryland. Muller’s presentation will detail the visits that Douglass made to Cumberland and Frostburg and include insights into Douglass’ relationship with Lloyd Lowndes of Cumberland, who would later become governor of Maryland from 1896 to 1900.

Muller is a street historian and author of “Frederick Douglass in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia” and “Mark Twain in Washington, D.C.: The Adventures of a Capital Correspondent” and is working on “Lost History: Frederick (Bailey) Douglass in Baltimore City, 1825–1895.”

Muller has presented at the Library of Congress, American Library of Paris, Politics and Prose and Newseum and has been featured in several local and national outlets. In the past year, Muller presented a series of “lost history” lectures.

Muller will take questions following the presentation. For info, contact Kara Rogers Thomas at krogerstthomas@frostburg.edu.

Geography Lecture on Traditional Approaches to Sustainability in Hawaii



As part of the Sedexho Lecture Series on Environmental Studies, the Department of Geography will host a presentation titled “Traditional Hawaiian Approaches for Contemporary Sustainability” by geographer Dr. Douglas Herman on **Tuesday, April 16**, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Gira Center 397. The event is free and open to the public.

From the 14th to 18th centuries, the Hawaiian Islands experienced a land-and-sea management system based on land divisions running from the mountains to the sea. The system fell slowly into disrepair during the 19th century due to epidemics and transformations of Hawaiian society, but it still had some limited recognition up until statehood in 1959. This presentation explains the

traditional system and explores two contemporary case studies where conservation and traditional food production are being brought back.

Herman is a senior geographer at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C. His research specialization is the cultural knowledge of the Hawaiian and Pacific Islands, and he focuses on revitalization of traditional knowledge and values for a contemporary sustainability lifestyle. Herman, whose article, “Checking in on the Health and Vigor of the Chesapeake Bay,” was recently published on Smithsonian.com, has published extensively on sustainability-related issues.

For info, contact Dr. James Saku at 301-687-4724 or jsaku@frostburg.edu.

Exhibits

Unless otherwise noted, events/exhibits will be held in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building and are free and open to the public. For info, contact the Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797. The Roper Gallery is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays through Wednesdays.

Faculty Art Exhibition on Display Through April 14



"Resurgence," painted steel by Dustin Davis

FSU's Department of Visual Arts will display its Spring Faculty Art Exhibition through **Sunday, April 14**.

This exhibit features the artwork of FSU's visual arts faculty, along with artwork by *Robert Llewellyn*, professor emeritus. Guests will have an opportunity to view faculty members' most current creations and explorations. Works will range from photography to illustration, ceramics to sculpture, painting to printmaking and graphic design, with each participating faculty member contributing three to five individual artworks.

'The Art of Microscopy' Coming Next to Roper Gallery



"The Art of Microscopy," a collection of images created by students enrolled in Advanced Microscopy, will be on display **Monday, April 22, through Sunday, April 28**. An opening reception will be held on **Wednesday, April 24**, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Points of Pride

Hixson Named Dean of FSU's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences



Dr. Kim Hixson has been named the dean of FSU's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Hixson comes to FSU from Utah State University, where he was department head for the Journalism and Communication Department.

Hixson has had a long career in advertising and promotion, as an academic department chair in two regional comprehensive universities and as a state representative in the Wisconsin legislature. He has been responsible for radio and television station programming as department chair, and he has a strong commitment to vibrant liberal arts education as a participant in the Association of American Colleges and Universities' Liberal Education and America's Promise initiatives.

Hixson's experience includes developing programs that cross the boundaries of traditional academic departments, pulling the best resources from each to develop interdisciplinary majors that prepare students for emerging fields.

Hixson has been active in networking with alumni and community members to strengthen the academic units he has served. He is also an active scholar, with publications under review and a long list of scholarly work published in peer-reviewed journals, as well as presentations at national conferences.

Dr. Kathleen Powell Receives Lifetime Achievement Award

Dr. Kathleen Powell, a professor in FSU's Department of Social Work, was recently honored with a lifetime achievement award from the Allegany/Garrett Social Work Caucus, an affiliate of the Maryland Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, in recognition of her contributions to the social work profession. The award was presented at the caucus' annual social work monthly luncheon on March 29.

Food Drive for PAWS Pantry a Success



Food drive before March 30, left, and food drive after

On Saturday, March 30, representatives from FSU's Sustainability Studies Minor and Food Recovery Network held a food drive at Weis in Frostburg. Between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., students collected \$311.25 and 411.3 lbs. of food for PAWS Pantry.

Take Note

Financial Aid Verification Day

The Office of Financial Aid will hold a Verification Day on **Wednesday, April 10**, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Lane 109. Staff members will be available to help students with their FAFSA verification. For info, call 301-687-4301 or email FSUFinAid@frostburg.edu.

Day of Civility Events – Thursday, April 11



From left, Father Dr. Godswill Agbagwa, Rev. Dr. Marsha Bell, Rabbi Mark Perman and Dr. Nayano Taylor-Neumann

As part of the second annual Day of Civility in Allegany County, FSU's Leadership Studies program and Communication Leadership Lab will host the following events:

"Interfaith Leadership: Leading Across and Beyond Faiths," 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., Lane 111. This dialogue will provide an opportunity for individuals or groups associated with different

faiths (or not associated with any faith) to have a safe space to share and learn about interfaith work and how it is a model for civility that helps us celebrate and benefit from our diversity despite the challenges. A panel of the following local leaders experienced with interfaith work will be featured.

- **Father Dr. Godswill Agbagwa** serves as Catholic priest chaplain and adjunct professor in FSU's Department of Philosophy. In 2013, Godswill founded a national youth leadership and ethics program that trains future leaders to live beyond ethno-religious bias through structured mentoring and externships.
- Rev. Dr. Marsha Bell is a recently retired Lutheran pastor. In her 16 years of ordained ministry, she has stood with Jewish and Muslim faith leaders at gatherings in response to tragedies that occurred on the national and international scene, as well as threatening behavior from hate groups.
- Rabbi Mark Perman, over the past three years, helped to reinstate an Interfaith Thanksgiving Service in Cumberland, has been part of a refugee resettlement group, has led interfaith Passover seders at various churches and has worked on community-strengthening efforts designed to help combat the opioid/heroin epidemic. He is in the process of putting together a local public access TV program at FSU with faculty called "The Interfaith Roundtable."
- Dr. Nayano Taylor-Neumann participated in activities to support asylum seekers from Afghanistan, became the director of a refugee settlement for a Lutheran agency and wrote a dissertation examining how people who had been rabidly anti-Muslim became their strongest supporters.

"A House Divided: Deliberating the Future of Our Democracy," 12:30 p.m., Ort Library 237. The National Issues Forum Institute guide, "A House Divided: What Would We Have to Give Up to Get the Political System We Want?" will be used to facilitate a deliberative discussion centered around three options – reduce dangerous, toxic talk; make fairer rules for politics and follow them; and take control and make decisions closer to home. Event co-sponsors include FSU's Beall Institute for Public Affairs, the Office of Civic Engagement, the College Democrats, College Republicans and the National General Assembly. The NIFI guide is available at <https://www.nifi.org/en/issue-guide/house-divided>.

For info, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski at elruminski@frostburg.edu.

Department of Mathematics to Host KME National Convention

The Department of Mathematics will host the Kappa Mu Epsilon (KME) 2019 National Convention. This national mathematics honorary society was founded in 1931 to promote an interest in mathematics among undergraduate students. FSU's Maryland Delta Chapter of KME was established in 1978, and throughout the years, more than 500 people have become members. The convention will begin with a mixer the evening of **Thursday, April 11**. Student presentations and faculty workshops will be held **Friday and Saturday**.

For info, contact Dr. Mark Hughes at mhughes@frostburg.edu or Dr. Marc Michael at mmichael@frostburg.edu.

First Annual Eat, Learn, Co-op Event Coming to City Place



The first annual Eat, Learn, Co-op event will be held on **Tuesday, April 23**, from 5 to 7 p.m. at City Place, 14 S. Water St. in Frostburg. Dinner refreshments will be served at Wholesome Harvest Co-op a block away at 30 W. Main St. during the second half of the event. Passover-friendly dishes will be available.

FSU's Communication Leadership Lab will work with community partners Wholesome Harvest Co-op and the Western Maryland Food Council to facilitate the event, which is a featured activity of FSU's Focus Frostburg week of learning about sustainability. Eat, Learn, Co-op is the next phase of a popular dialogue and deliberation series that began in 2016 called Eat, Learn, Shift. The event will continue to bring together campus and community partners who are invested in the regional food movement. Partners will be invited to share information on their food initiatives and challenges as participants learn about the co-op's history and mission. The group also plans to explore how FSU and local partners can "co-operate" further by discussing topics that might include sharing how to support the local food economy and its partnerships, exploring how to address food security issues in the community and learning how to address food waste locally.

Participation is limited, so confirm your plans to attend and/or set up a display by **Friday, April 12**. Contact lab coordinator Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski at elruminski@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480 or lab assistant Kate Paylor at klpaylor0@frostburg.edu.

Civil Citizen Communicator Award to Be Given in May

The Communication Studies and Leadership Studies programs at FSU will award the fifth annual Civil Citizen Communicator Award this May. This award is given to an FSU student who has within the previous year demonstrated communication leadership, or a commitment through word and actions to civility and constructive change within an organization or community. This person should have demonstrated communication competence, leadership competence and an awareness of and responsiveness to matters of civility that impact others. This award aligns with the mission of Communication Studies and Leadership Studies programs and FSU to support

the oral communication competency and leadership development of FSU students, and it supports regional development through recognition of efforts linking the campus to community partners.

Nominate a candidate or yourself by emailing Connie Capacchione, program management specialist of the Department of Communication, at ccapacchione@frostburg.edu. Nominations should include the nominee's full name, major(s)/minor(s) and intended graduation date; if not a self-nomination, the name, role and relationship of the nominator to the nominee; a brief rationale (1,000 words or less) explaining why the nominee fits the criteria above; and additional support for the nomination (up to three written documents, photos or videos of speeches or events, promotional materials, letters of acknowledgement, etc.). Nominations will be accepted until **Friday, April 19**.

For info, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, associate professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies and the Communication Leadership Lab, at elruminski@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480. This call for nominations is also available at <https://frostburgdialogue.org>. A panel of reviewers external to the Department of Communication will rank and determine the award winner, and public announcement will be made before FSU's May graduation. Each award winner's name is etched on the Civility Cup, which is displayed in the Department of Communication. In addition to this public recognition, a formal certificate and small token of acknowledgement will be given to the winner who receives this honor.

Information Session on MCCR's New Western Maryland Advisory Council

Join the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights on **Wednesday, April 17**, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Lane 111 for an information session on MCCR's new Western Maryland Advisory Council (WMAC).

To register, go to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSei58lfv90UqErwpNi7F6UteCIHzYjY11S55a8bdUnFW5PfQ/viewform>.

MCCR is establishing WMAC for Garrett, Allegany, Washington and Frederick counties. WMAC will increase public awareness of the services offered by MCCR as well as protections under state law and build sustainable partnerships that serve to protect Maryland's most vulnerable populations.

The information session will be an opportunity to introduce MCCR to interested members of the community, discuss the goals and work of WMAC and inform interested individuals about how they can apply to serve on WMAC.

MCCR will accept applications to join the council **throughout April and May 2019**. Members will be selected based on their leadership within the community, as well as their passion for furthering civil and human rights in Maryland.

For info, contact Spencer Dove, MCCR executive associate, at spencer.dove@maryland.gov or 410-767-8576.

Burg Peer Education Network Events

Burg events for the week are as follows:

- **Monday, April 8**, Relay for Life Table, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lane Center
- **Wednesday, April 10**, Stop the Abusive Relationship Program, 6 to 7 p.m., Compton 327
- **Thursday, April 11**, General Body Meeting, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Pullen 107
- **Friday, April 12**, Relay for Life Table, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lane Center

For info, contact Sophia Staggers at srstaggers0@frostburg.edu.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It

It's not too early to be thinking about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on **Thursday, May 23**, in the Cordts PE Center. The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at 9:30 a.m., and the Colleges of Business and Education will present their graduates at 2 p.m.

Tickets will be required for admission. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences graduates will receive six tickets and College of Business and College of Education graduates will receive eight tickets.

Check your PAWS account to make sure your home address is correct. If you need to update your address, you can send an email from your FSU account to the Registrar's Office at reginfo@frostburg.edu to update your home address.

The Grad Fair will be held in Lane Manicur Hall on **Wednesday, May 15**, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you have ordered your cap and gown and selected pickup at the FSU Main Campus, it will be available for pickup at the Grad Fair. Those picking up orders at the fair will receive a coupon for 30 percent off one apparel item at the University Store. You will also have the opportunity to pick up your graduation tickets, enter drawings, purchase graduation merchandise and more.

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement website at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. For info about Commencement, contact Christie Bohn at 301-687-4423 or clbohn@frostburg.edu.

FSU-TV3

FSU-TV3's Newest Series 'Western Maryland Today'



FSU-TV3 will launch a new informative talk show, "Western Maryland Today," which will highlight activities and services in the Western Maryland region. The first episode will focus on student services at FSU and on ways to find information about campus-sponsored community events and student-oriented activities. The program will air on **Monday, April 15**, at 6:30 p.m. and again on **Wednesday, April 17**, at 6 p.m.

Student Life

Edgewood Commons Contracting for Fall 2019

Edgewood Commons is accepting applications for the fall semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. All the information about Edgewood Commons is available at www.edgewoodFSU.com.

Apartments come fully furnished and have private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms. Utilities (gas, electricity, water, internet and cable) are included in the contract fee.

To set up a tour or for info about Edgewood Commons, call 301-689-1370.

Get Involved

For info, contact Chaplain Cindy Zirlott at c.zirlott@frostburg.edu.

United Campus Ministry Events

Talent Show

UCM will host an end-of-school-year celebration with a Talent Show on **Saturday, May 11**. Sign up for the "Night of Positivity Talent Show" **through Monday, April 15**, by emailing your interest/talent to Tito Nzesi at oenzesi0@frostburg.edu or Reggie Morton at remorton0@frostburg.edu. This event is open to all in the FSU community.

Community Lenten Dinners and Worship

The Frostburg Ministerium of churches invites everyone to participate in the community Lenten dinner (free meal!) and worship on **Wednesday, April 10**, at the Congregational Church of Frostburg (corner of College Avenue and Bowery). The Rev. Ken Hamilton will officiate. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and worship will begin at 6:45 p.m.

Also, to celebrate Holy Week, on **Thursday, April 18**, the Frostburg United Methodist Church at 48 E. Main St. invites FSU students to a free dinner at 7 p.m.

Study Abroad

For info, contact Kara Hotchkiss at 301-687-4747 or kihotchkiss@frostburg.edu.

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?



Brady Gaumer in Germany – Intersession 2019

FSU students have the opportunity to study abroad all over the world.

Financial aid can be used for overseas experiences during the fall and spring semesters.

Exchange programs are available that allow students to pay FSU tuition prices.

Study Abroad in Spain, France and Italy During Spring Break 2020



Join the Study Abroad trip to Spain, France and Italy during Spring Break 2020 and visit Barcelona, the French Riviera, Nice, Cinque Terre, Pisa and Florence!

The nine-day trip in March 2020 will be led by **Dr. Greg Wood** and **Dr. Heather Cisneros**.

The trip is for Honors Program students as well as general education students.

Study abroad scholarships and other sources of funding are available.

For info, visit Wood in the Fuller House or email him at gwood@frostburg.edu.

FSU Events Calendar

For info on FSU events, go to <http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar>.

Questions? Call 301-687-4411. All information is subject to change.

Note: FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. To request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, call 301-687-4102 or use a Voice Relay Operator at 1-800-735-2258.

**April showers are coming.
When thunder roars, go indoors!**



**The main lightning safety guide is the 30-30 rule.
After you see lightning, start counting to 30.
If you hear thunder before you reach 30, go indoors.
Suspend outdoor activities for at least 30 minutes after the last clap of thunder.**

VALUES AND VISION: FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

CORE VALUES

- Frostburg State University is a place where every student can experience a myriad of opportunities both in and out of the classroom, fostered by a sense of inclusion and close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff.
- Frostburg State University is committed to developing cultural competence and cultivating understanding of and respect for a diversity of experiences and world views that encourage each person's ability to "take the perspective of the other."
- Frostburg State University is committed to a system of shared governance that allows faculty, staff and students to learn about the issues the University confronts and that provides a structure for meaningful input into University decisions.

OUR VISION FOR FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

Frostburg State University is a regionally acclaimed and nationally recognized academic institution that provides distinctive programs to support state and regional workforce needs. Faculty, staff and students foster collaboration in a welcoming and inclusive campus culture.

Students value the opportunities open for them at FSU and form close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff, who are committed to their success and well-being. Students apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to internship, civic engagement, study abroad and research experiences to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

The University is integrated into the fabric of the community as a valued and respected regional asset. We are committed to making changes that secure our future while celebrating the values that reflect our history.

STRATEGIC GOALS

- Focus learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge.
- Provide engaging experiences that challenge our students to excel.
- Expand regional outreach and engagement.
- Align University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.

To view FSU's Strategic Plan 2018-2023 online, visit www.frostburg.edu/strategicplan.