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CLC's Spring Festival of Children's Literature Is Virtual This Year



From left, award-winning authors and illustrators Jerry Craft, Ryan T. Higgins, Andrea Warren and Salina Yoon, who will headline this year's Festival of Children's Literature

This year, the Children's Literature Centre at FSU will present a virtual Spring Festival of Children's Literature on **Friday, April 23, and Saturday, April 24.**

For 37 years, the festival has welcomed hundreds of educators, librarians, parents, students and literature

advocates to the FSU campus to share their love of children's literature and learn more about successful ways to share that love with children. This year, the festival goes virtual for the first time through a share-and-learn atmosphere, allowing adults who direct children's learning to interact with authors and illustrators who bring characters to life and inspire children to read.

Award-winning authors and illustrators Jerry Craft, Ryan T. Higgins, Andrea Warren and Salina Yoon will headline this year's virtual event. In addition to their virtual presentations, each featured speaker will be available for a live Q&A session, allowing registrants a chance to interact with the presenters. Participants will also be able to virtually attend up to seven professional development workshops that focus on a wide range of literacy and literature topics for the pre-K through eighth-grade classrooms. An extensive booklist will be available online for purchase. Each book will include an autographed bookplate.

Craft is the author and illustrator of "New Kid," winner of the Coretta Scott King Award and the first graphic novel to receive the Newbery Award. "Class Act," a companion book to "New Kid," was one of the School Library Journal Best Graphic Novels of 2020, as well as a Kirkus Best Middle Grade Book of the Year. Craft also created "Mama's Boyz," a syndicated comic strip, which has received the African American Literary Award five times. He is the co-founder and co-producer of the Schomburg Center's Annual Black Comic Book Festival and co-wrote the middle-grade prose novel, "The Offenders: Surviving the World While Serving Detention!" with his sons, Jaylen and Aren.

Higgins is the author and illustrator of the New York Times' bestseller, "We Don't Eat Our Classmates," and "The Mother Bruce" series, which includes "Mother Bruce," "Hotel Bruce," "Bruce's Big Moves," "Santa Bruce" and "Bruce's Big Storm." He is the recipient of the Ezra Jack Keats New Illustrator Honor and the E.B. White Read Aloud Award.

Warren, who has worked as a newspaper reporter, magazine editor, and high school English and history teacher, is the author of numerous nonfiction chapter books, including "Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps"; "Enemy Child: The Story of Noman Mineta, a Boy Imprisoned in a Japanese American Internment Camp During World War II"; "Orphan Train Rider: One Boy's True Story"; and "We Rode the Orphan Trains." She is the winner of the Boston Globe Horn Book Award for "Orphan Train Rider" and the Midland Author's Award for "Pioneer Girl."

Yoon is an author, illustrator and format designer of nearly 200 novelty books for young children. She specializes in formats that are unique and interactive, including "Rock & Roll Colors," "Opposnake," "Pinwheel" and "Kaleidoscope," as well as "The Penguin," "The Bear" and the "Duck, Duck, Porcupine" series. Yoon is the recipient of numerous awards, including the 2018 Geisel Honor for "My Kite Is Stuck! and Other Stories."

The brainchild of two FSU professors, *Dr. William Bingman* and *Dr. Thomas Palardy*, the festival was created as a way to honor two colleagues who promoted the love for and value of children’s literature. Now in its 38th year, what began as a small gathering of children’s literature enthusiasts is now one of the premier conferences of its kind on the East Coast.

The festival is administered by the FSU Foundation and is sponsored by the Children’s Literature Centre and the FSU Department of Educational Professions.

Admission to the festival is by registration only, is limited in number and is available online at <https://forms.frostburg.edu/207>.

For info, contact the Children’s Literature Centre at 301-687-3133 or clc@frostburg.edu. Full details of the conference can be found at www.frostburg.edu/clc/festivalinfo. Follow CLC on Facebook at www.facebook.com/clcfsu and Instagram at [@FSUCLC](https://www.instagram.com/FSUCLC).

Help for Students

Have Issues or Concerns?

Be sure to continue to pass on your concerns to *President Nowaczyk* at president@frostburg.edu or, for specific academic issues, to *Dr. Michael Mathias* at provost@frostburg.edu. Students with individual concerns can be directed to resources by emailing spring2021@frostburg.edu. And for the spring 2021 plan and information, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/spring2021>.

Do You Need to Report an Incident?

FSU is a vibrant community of scholars and educators. To ensure its values as an institution are promoted, students, faculty and staff are asked to adhere to a set of community standards.

If you observe behavior that is counter to FSU’s values, be sure to report the conduct to the most appropriate department using one of the referral forms. If you have questions or concerns about which referral form is most appropriate, contact Carl Crowe, dean of Students, in the Office of Student Affairs at 301-687-4312.

Any member of the University community in need of support can reach out to Counseling and Psychological Services at <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-life/campus-services/caps>, the University Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at

<https://www.frostburg.edu/student-life/campus-services/center-for-student-diversity-equity-and-inclusion/diversity-committees.php> or Student Affairs at <https://www.frostburg.edu/about-frostburg/student-affairs/index.php>. **Students can report an incident at <https://www.frostburg.edu/reporting-an-incident.php>.**

A Message From CAPS

If you are having difficulty taking care of your daily needs and/or notice that your mood has been more depressed or anxious, you are not alone. Help is available at Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Counseling is being provided over confidential tele-health programs.

If you are interested in individual counseling or participating in one of the groups CAPS offers, call 301-687-4234.

If you need of immediate support, call 301-687-4234 during business hours or 301-687-4223 in the evening or on the weekend.

Other crisis resources are available at the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255, Trevor LifeLine at 1-866-488-7386, Veterans’ Crisis Hotline at 1-877-VET2VET (1-877-838-2838), Crisis Text Line where you can text HOME to 741741 for free, 24/7 crisis counseling, and 911.

Virtual Speaker Series

CES and Student Activities Present Nat Geo Live’s ‘Women and Migration’



FSU’s Cultural Events Series and the FSU Student Activities program will present “Women and Migration,” a free streaming event from the National Geographic Live Virtual Speaker Series, on **Tuesday, April 13**, at 7 p.m.

Photographers Danielle Villasana, Miora Rajaonary and Saiyna Bashir will join photo editor Jennifer Samuel to discuss their latest project, which documents social, economic, political and climate issues that push and pull women from their homes. Stories span the globe in

countries, including Honduras, Mexico, Pakistan, Zimbabwe and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

This event requires prior registration by visiting tickets.frostburg.edu. For info, contact ces@frostburg.edu.

Music

Because of the coronavirus pandemic, musical performances before live audiences of the general public will not be held until conditions warrant. However, the Department of Music is continuing its series of online presentations. Links will be posted at www.frostburg.edu/concerts.

Visit www.frostburg.edu/concerts and click an event to be directed to the FSU Localist Events page; click the red “Join Stream” button on the right side of page to join the livestream.

Unless otherwise noted, concerts are free to view online. For info, contact FSU’s Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

If you miss the livestreams, Music Department recitals are available for viewing on YouTube: Frostburg Music Department.

For concerts open to the FSU community: To prevent the spread of the coronavirus, FSU follows state health guidelines requiring the wearing of masks and physical distancing from others. Visitors to campus must visit www.frostburg.edu/checkin for symptom monitoring before arriving on campus and be prepared to display the “Reduced Risk” badge.

FSU Student Ivan Godoy in Livestreamed Junior Baritone Recital

FSU’s Department of Music will present **Ivan Godoy** in his livestreamed junior baritone recital, titled “Songs of Travel,” on **Tuesday, April 13**, at 7:30 p.m. He will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen** and soprano **Laura Frederick**.

Godoy will perform selections from art songs and oratorios and Ralph Vaughn Williams’ song cycle “Songs of Travel.” His selections include “Ideale” by Francesco Paolo Tosti, “U Vrat Obiteli Svyatoy” from “12 Songs Without Opus, No. 1” by Sergei Rachmaninoff, “En sourdine, Op.58, No. 2” by Gabriel Faure, “Ya Eres Mía” by Morten Lauridsen, “Mache dich, mein Herze, rein” from “St. Matthew Passion, BWV 244” by Johann Sebastian Bach, “For Behold, Darkness Shall Cover the Earth ... The People That Walked in Darkness” from “Messiah, HWV 56” by George Frederic Handel and “Lord God of Abraham” from “Elijah, Op. 70” by Felix Mendelssohn, as well as “The Vagabond,” “Let Beauty Awake,” “The Roadside Fire,” “Youth and Love,” “In Dreams,” “The Infinite Shining Heavens,” “Whither Must I Wander?” “Bright Is the Ring of Words” and “I Have Trod the Upward and the Downward Slope” from “Songs of Travel” by Williams.

FSU Student Kyla Nauman Presents Livestreamed Senior Flute Recital



FSU’s Department of Music will present **Kyla Nauman** in a livestreamed senior flute recital on **Friday, April 16**, at 7:30 p.m. She will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen** and guest artists **Cait Rund** on the alto saxophone and **Maggie Longerbeam** on the flute.

Nauman will perform “Syrinx” by Claude Debussy, “Epitaphe de Jean Harlow” by Charles Koechlin, “Concerto in D Major” by Leopold Hofmann, “In Ireland” by Hamilton Harty and “La Gata – Milonga” by Carmen Marulanda.

“Syrinx” (1913) is a solo flute work that tells of the story of the nymph Syrinx being pursued by Pan. To escape, Syrinx transforms herself into the reeds, which Pan turns into the panpipe once he gives up on his chase.

“Epitaphe de Jean Harlow” (1937) was created in memory of actress Jean Harlow who died in 1937.

Hofmann’s earliest compositions date from the 1750s. “Concerto in D Major” was originally written for solo flute and orchestral accompaniment; however, in this rendition, the piano will be the accompaniment.

Harty was a church organist who later moved to London and became a well-known piano accompanist. He composed “In Ireland” in 1915.

“La Gata – Milonga” (2016) is from a set of flute duets inspired by the milonga, a musical genre that originated in Argentina.

FSU Student Andrew Hartnett Will Perform Livestreamed Senior Piano Recital

FSU’s Department of Music will present **Andrew Hartnett** in a livestreamed senior piano recital from Pealer Recital Hall on **Saturday, April 17**, at 7:30 p.m. He will be accompanied by **Tom Harrison** on bass, **Shawn Zimmerman** on guitar and **Ryan Barber** on drums.

Per FSU event guidelines and COVID restrictions, the general public may only attend the online streamed event. The recital is open to 50 members of FSU community – faculty, staff or students – on a first-come, first-served basis.

Hartnett will perform “Nocturne in E-flat Major, Op.9, No.2” by Frédéric François Chopin; “Danseuses de Delphes” by Claude Achille Debussy; “Prelude, Op. 28: No. 2 in A Minor,” “No. 4 in E Minor” and “No. 15 in D-flat Major” by Chopin; “Miroirs No. 5 – La vallée des cloches” by Joseph Maurice Ravel; “Valse, Op. 64, No. 2 in C-sharp Minor” by Chopin; “Prelude, Op. 3, No. 2 in C-sharp Minor” by Sergei Vasilyevich Rachmaninoff; and “Sonata in D Major, Hob XVI:37” by Joseph Franz Haydn. These will be followed by the jazz pieces “Satin Doll” by Duke Ellington, “Cantaloupe Island” by Herbie Hancock, “Invitation” by Bronislaw Kaper and “Cold Duck Time” by Eddie Harris.

Department of Music Presents Online Piano Ensemble and Studio Recital

The FSU Department of Music will present a livestreamed Piano Ensemble and Studio Recital on **Sunday, April 18**, at 3 p.m. from FSU's Pealer Recital Hall.

Conducted by **Dr. Jay DeWire**, the recital will feature the following FSU piano majors and music education majors: **Zhicen "Luke" Liu, Robert Bittinger, Morgan Danver, Maggie Longerbeam, Nate Richards, Ayanna McDonald** and **Jasmin Golson**. The program will include music by Chopin, Brahms, Scarlatti, Bartok, Schubert and more.

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FSU Student Ryan Barber in Livestreamed Junior Percussion Recital

FSU's Department of Music will present **Ryan Barber** in a livestreamed junior percussion recital from Pealer Recital Hall on **Thursday, April 22**, at 7:30 p.m.

Barber will be accompanied by **Dr. Mackenzie LaMont** and Percussion Ensemble members **Deandre Cook, Cheyenne Jeffries** and **Nora Kopit**, as well as **Tom Harrison** on bass, **Emily Brobst** on piano and **Shawn Zimmerman** on guitar.

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Barber will perform "Stop Speaking" by Andy Akiho, "Charleston Capers" by George Hamilton Green, "April Sky" by Chin Cheng Lin, the third movement ("Allegro vivo") from "Symphony No.1 for Percussion" by Anthony Cirone, "Maiden Voyage" by Herbie Hancock and "Red Clay" by Freddie Hubbard.

FSU Student Arran Mills Presents Livestreamed Junior Baritone Recital

FSU's Department of Music will present **Arran Mills** in a livestreamed junior baritone recital, titled "Goin' Home," on **Friday, April 23**, at 7:30 p.m.

Mills will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen** and guest artists tenor **Christopher Reed** and baritone **Dillon Redwine**, as well as FSU Jazz Combo members **Tom Harrison** on bass guitar, **Ryan Barber** on drums, **Shawn Zimmerman** on guitar, **Emily Brobst** on piano and **Josh Foreman** on saxophone.

Per FSU event guidelines and COVID restrictions, the general public may only attend the online streamed event. The recital is open to 50 members of FSU community – faculty, staff or students – on a first-come, first-served basis.

Mills will perform "Belle Hermione" from "Cadmus et Hermione" by Jean-Baptiste Lully, "Ständchen" from "Schwanengesang" by Franz Schubert, "Ein Jüngling liebt ein Mädchen" from "Dichterliebe" by Robert Schumann, "Lydia" and "Ici-bas" by Gabriel Fauré, "Belle Siccome un Angelo" from "Don Pasquale" by Gaetano Donizetti, "Suscepit Israel" from "The Magnificat" by Giovanni Pergolesi, "Sea Fever" by John Ireland, "The Children's Hour" and "The Circus Band" by Charles Ives, "The Vagabond" from "Songs of Travel" by Ralph Vaughan Williams, "Stars" from "Les Misérables" by Claude-Michel Schönberg, "Dear Theodosia" from "Hamilton" by Lin-Manuel Miranda, "Georgia on My Mind" by Hoagy Carmichael and "Goin' Home" by Antonín Dvořák.

Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Combo to Perform Spring Concert

FSU's Department of Music will present its Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Combo in concert on **Saturday, April 24**, at 3 p.m. at FSU's Upper Quad Amphitheatre. This event is open to the campus community.

Maximum capacity at this venue is 100 persons. To reserve your spot, email **Dr. Brent Weber** at bmweber@frostburg.edu. A 6-foot distance must be maintained between individuals or families, and attendees must maintain a 12-foot distance from the ensemble. In case of rain, the concert will be livestreamed from Pealer Recital Hall, and the audience will be limited to 50 members of the campus community. If this happens, the band members will use PPE (bell and instrument covers) to ensure safety.

Members of the Jazz Orchestra, which is directed by Weber, include **Raegan Barrett, Joshua Foreman, Ayanna McDonald, Eileen Martin, Alex McNemar** and **Caitlyn Rund** on saxophones; **Joey Orr** and **Brice Simpson** on trumpets; **DeAndre Cook** and **Grace LaCount** on trombones; and for the rhythm section, **Emily Brobst** on keyboards, **Shawn Zimmerman** on guitar, **Ryan Barber** on bass/drum set and **Kamonte Johnson** on drum set/percussion.

The Jazz Orchestra will perform "Abide" by Eric Richards; "Lingus" by Michael League, "Outlier" by Justin Stanton, "Kite" by Michael League, "Shofukan" by Michael League and "Quarter Master" by Michael League, all arranged by Weber; and "Tank!" by Yoko Kanno, arranged by Dannewitz.

Directed by **Tom Harrison**, the Jazz Combo consists of Foreman on saxophone, vocalist **Arran Mills** on trombone, Brobst on piano and flute, Zimmerman on guitar, Barber on drums and Harrison on bass.

The Jazz Combo program will include “Have You Met Miss Jones?” by Richard Rogers, “Take Five” by Paul Desmond, “Georgia on My Mind” by Hoagy Carmichael, “Sway” by Ruiz/Gimbel, “There Will Never Be Another You” by Harry Warren, “In a Sentimental Mood” by Duke Ellington and “The Chicken” by Pee-Wee Ellis.

FSU Student Zhicen Liu to Present Livestreamed Senior Piano Recital

FSU’s Department of Music will present **Zhicen “Luke” Liu** in a livestreamed senior piano recital on **Sunday, April 25**, at 3 p.m. The recital is free to view online. The link will be posted at www.frostburg.edu/concerts.

Per FSU event guidelines and COVID restrictions, the general public may only attend the online streamed event. The recital is open to 50 members of FSU community – faculty, staff or students – on a first-come, first-served basis.

Liu will perform “Andante con espressione” and “Vivace assai” from “Sonata in D Major, Hob.XVI:42” by Joseph Haydn, “Voiles, Sails” and “Le vent dans la plaine” from “Preludes” by Claude Debussy, “Rhapsody in B Minor, Op. 79, No. 1” by Johannes Brahms, “Nocturne Op. 27, No.1 in C-sharp Minor” by Frédéric Chopin and “Allegro moderato,” “Sostenuto e pesante” and “Allegro molto” from “Sonata” by Bela Bartok.

Webinars

P&E Alumni Webinar Series – Internships and Capstones: Pathways to a Career

In the next installment of the Physics and Engineering Alumni Webinar series on **Monday, April 19**, from 6 to 7 p.m., three FSU alums will share internship and capstone experiences at FSU.

There are two ways to join. Join the Webex meeting directly at

<https://frostburg.webex.com/webappng/sites/frostburg/meeting/download/c2715f1faa8945eabae360ac6a4b4f75?siteurl=frostburg&MTID=m557bee2014cb3a760a8356d3a3c23ea7>. You can also check out the webinar in Gira Center 186 (aka Planetarium). Email ejmoore@frostburg.edu for more ways to join.

A graduate in physics with a minor in computer science, **Caleb Godwin ’18** served as the Physics and Engineering Club president and joined the community service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. He developed a pipeline for analyzing galaxy properties while assisting with astrophysics research. He presented with fellow students at two American Astronomical Society conferences. Godwin earned a master’s in applied physics at Towson University in 2020. While there, he performed optics research to design and build a fully adjustable zoom lens system using physics and the optical design/simulation software Zemax. Godwin works at Fearless Solutions in Baltimore as a software engineer. As part of a government contract, he is developing a user-friendly website for displaying regulations.

Thomas Smith ’14 is set to graduate this May from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County with a doctorate in applied physics. This comes after obtaining a master’s in applied physics at UMBC in 2017 and double majoring for a bachelor’s in applied physics and engineering at FSU. His doctoral research was based in the field of quantum optics and included designing interferometers that are insensitive to optical turbulence and aiding in the study of high-resolution X-ray ghost imaging. This work has led to publications in “Physical Review Letters,” “APL Photonics” and “Optics Express,” as well as multiple pending patents. He plans to continue conducting physics research that can potentially lead to practical applications such as quantum information, imaging or interferometry.

Aaron Littlejohn ’13 is a senior process engineer in Intel’s Logic Technology Development group, driving the optimization of high-volume semiconductor manufacturing processes. He earned a bachelor’s in applied physics from FSU and a doctorate in physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 2018. As a graduate student, he conducted experimental condensed matter physics research in RPI’s Nanostructure Science and Ultrathin Films lab. His work in crystalline epitaxy and nanostructure synthesis has been published in journals such as “Nature Communications,” “Nanotechnology” and the “Journal of Applied Physics” and has been recognized by the American Institute of Physics. He holds one patent and has several pending related to improvements of novel non-volatile memory devices.

Exhibits

To prevent the spread of the coronavirus, FSU follows state health guidelines requiring the wearing of masks and physical distancing from others. Visitors to campus must visit www.frostburg.edu/checkin for symptom monitoring before arriving on campus and be prepared to display the “Reduced Risk” badge.

Department of Visual Arts to Host All-Campus Juried Art Exhibition



FSU’s Department of Visual Arts will host the spring 2021 All-Campus Juried Art exhibition through **Friday, April 16**, at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in FSU’s Fine Arts Building. This exhibition is free and open to the public.

Jennifer Browne, Department of English and Foreign Languages, was the juror. The winners of the exhibition are as follows: best of show – “Nude” by **Yi Zhou**, first place – “Recovery” by **Austin Gillens**, second place – “Kelpie” by **Carol Lusk**, third place – “Jason” by **Christina Howe** and honorable mention – “Scooby Brew” by **Cassidy Mark**.

For info, contact Ashley Lester at allester@frostburg.edu.

Points of Pride

Dr. Scott Rieker and Colleague to Present at Duke University Symposium



Dr. Scott Rieker, a lecturer in FSU's Department of Music, and his colleague, Dr. Irene Apanovitch-Leites of Black Hawk College, Moline, Ill., were accepted to present at the Duke University Pandemic Pedagogy Research Symposium on **Wednesday, May 5**. Their research, titled "COVID and the Choral Educator: Preparedness, Perceptions, Attitudes and a Way Forward," is a mixed-methods study of choral directors' preparedness before the pandemic and an exploration of professional development guidance for K-12 school systems in adapting to the needs of pandemic-impacted educational realities.

Office of Sponsored Programs Successes/News

On March 26, project director **Al Delia** (vice president, Regional Development and Engagement) was awarded \$100,000 by the Appalachian Regional Commission for the project, Western Maryland Advanced Technology Center (ATC) at FSU Innovation Park.

Funds will be used for phase I development of the Western Maryland ATC, a true public-private partnership that brings together a mix of academia, the private sector and the public sector to create new opportunities for jobs, workforce training and economic development for Maryland.

For info, see the Office of Sponsored Program's Successes/News webpage at <http://www.frostburg.edu/osp/successesnews.php>.

Take Note

Summer Session: Registration Now Open

Encourage students to take advantage of their downtime this summer and catch up, keep up or get ahead with Summer Session! As always, this is a great option for students wanting to get caught up without having to increase their fall course load, athletes who need extra credits to maintain eligibility or any student who wants to start a path to early graduation.

Summer Session isn't just for FSU students. Undergraduates and graduates at other colleges, high school students and lifelong learners are more than welcome to attend class online or on campus. FSU offers six sessions throughout the summer.

For info, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/summer-session/index.php>.

Career Readiness Week

Sponsored by the Career and Professional Development Center and the Office of Alumni Relations, Career Readiness Week will take place **Monday, April 12, through Friday, April 16**.

On **Monday, April 12**, **Mary Biscoe-Hall, Esq. '12** will speak at 7 p.m., and **Eric Manns Jr. '10** will speak at 8 p.m.

On **Tuesday, April 13**, there will be a "Resume Review" by the CPDC staff from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and "Social Media Etiquette" with **Jennifer Krampf '93** will be held at 7 p.m.

On **Wednesday, April 14**, **Pat Friel '88** will present "How to Manage Working Remotely" at 7 p.m., and **Glenn Wayson '14** will present "How to Nail the Virtual Interview!" at 8 p.m.

On **Thursday, April 15**, "Virtual Networking" with **Zach Heeter M'16**, **Colby McGill '15**, **Tracey Morris '94**, **Melanie Rowe-Partridge '11** and **Jason VanSickle '98** will be held at 7 p.m.

On **Friday, April 16**, the CPDC Staff will hold "Mock Interviews" from 1 to 4 p.m.

For info, contact Clarissa Lang at 301-687-7013 or calang@frostburg.edu.

Info Sessions – Ask Anything About NSE

National Student Exchange colleges and universities welcome you for the summer 2021, fall 2021 and/or spring 2022 collegiate student exchange. To learn more about NSE, join a virtual NSE Info Session where the basics of NSE (tuition, financial aid, course options, housing and research tips) will be reviewed and your questions answered. All you need is a computer or phone with audio.

The last session will be held on **Thursday, April 15**, from 3 to 4 p.m. (Eastern).

For info, contact Amy Shimko at alshimko@frostburg.edu or visit <https://nse.org/exchange/info/?z=1#homeinfo>.

Nominations for President's Distinguished Faculty Award and President's Distinguished Staff Award

Deadline is April 16

President's Distinguished Faculty Award nominations are being sought once again for the annual President's Distinguished Faculty Award. This award recognizes faculty members who advance the University in ways consistent with its mission and the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan. Examples of qualifying activities include focusing learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge, providing engaging experiences that challenge students to excel, expanding regional outreach and engagement, and aligning University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.

Applications must be made through a letter of nomination by FSU colleagues. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Activities outlined in the nomination letter should have occurred in the fall 2020 and/or spring 2021 semester(s). The letter should consist of a narrative of no more than two pages in the form of an executive summary, plus any supporting documentation.

President's Distinguished Staff Award nominations are also being sought for the President's Distinguished Staff Award. Similar to the annual President's Distinguished Faculty Award, this award recognizes and encourages FSU staff members who provide exceptional service to the University and who have helped to advance its mission, goals and priorities. Staff and faculty are invited to nominate staff colleagues they know have a recent record of significant contributions to the success of the University. Examples of qualifying activities could include, but are not limited to, suggesting new methods to help increase enrollment or student retention; involvement with innovative student activities to promote safety and well-being; providing leadership for a project or initiative making a favorable impact on the campus community; efficiency and effectiveness efforts leading to significant savings of cost, time, labor or other resources; community relations to help strengthen ties between FSU and local residents or businesses; assisting in FSU's contribution to economic development in Western Maryland, the region and the state; and contributions deemed to be far above and beyond the staff member's regular job duties.

Regular exempt and nonexempt staff employees with at least three consecutive years of service to FSU are eligible to be nominated. Colleagues may nominate an eligible staff member with the knowledge and consent of the nominee. Contractual staff employees, faculty members and student workers are not eligible. Vice presidents, deans and other senior leadership are excluded.

Nomination for the President's Distinguished Staff Award is to be made through a letter from FSU staff and/or faculty colleague(s). Multiple nominations for the same staff member are acceptable. Self-nominations and anonymous submissions will not be accepted.

Addressed to the president, a nomination letter should identify an eligible staff member and clearly document why their service is worthy of this award. Activities outlined in the nomination should have occurred during the 2020-2021 academic year. A nomination must be concise, summarizing the staff member's outstanding accomplishments and positive impact in one or two pages, plus any supporting materials not to exceed three additional pages.

These awards are normally presented during the May commencement ceremony and each includes a \$2,500 monetary prize. Submit nominations to Donnell VanSkiver in the Office of President (email to dhvanskiver@frostburg.edu, fax to 301-687-7070, send in campus mail or deliver to Hitchins 218) by **Friday, April 16**.

Focus Frostburg Coming Up April 18 Through 22



Focus Frostburg 2021: "Learn-In" for a Sustainable Future, a week of virtual learning, will be held this year **Sunday, April 18, through Thursday, April 22**. Depending on the pandemic, there will be a limited number of outdoor exhibits – with virtual presentations and discussions.

Focus Frostburg features programs, discussions and hands-on activities highlighting issues of sustainability and climate awareness.

For info, contact Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at krogerstomas@frostburg.edu.

Undergraduate Research Symposium

This year the FSU Undergraduate Research Symposium will be virtual and will be on **Friday, April 23**, rather than the traditional first Friday in May.

This year's event will include the work of 81 student presenters and will feature 51 poster and artwork presentations and nine oral presentations. All presentations will be available for viewing between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the Symposium webpage, and there will be an open Q&A session between 1 and 2 p.m.

For info, contact Dr. Karen Keller at kkeller@frostburg.edu.

FSU Lions Club Holding Fundraiser for St. Jude

The FSU Lions Club is holding a St. Jude fundraiser until **Sunday, April 25**. The funds support St. Jude's lifesaving mission of finding cures for children battling cancer and other life-threatening diseases. By donating, you'll also be entered into a virtual raffle for a chance to win a \$25 Visa Gift Card.

To donate, visit <http://events.stjude.org/FSUlionclub>. For info, contact Jordan Lyons at jhlyons@frostburg.edu.

Civility Cup Nominations Sought



The Communication Leadership Lab will award the seventh 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 our programs and FSU to support the oral communication competency and leadership

development of our students, and it supports regional development through recognition of efforts linking the campus to community partners.

Do you know someone who fits this description, someone who is committed to changing the University, another organization or society for the better? Is that person you? If so, submit a nomination for the Civil Citizen Communicator Award. Nominations will be accepted until the deadline of **Friday, April 30**.

Nominate a candidate or yourself by emailing Connie Capacchione, administrative assistant of the Department of Communication, at ccapacchione@frostburg.edu.

Judges for the award include **Trevor Jones '17**, who works for Baltimore County Councilman Julian Jones; **Renee Mason '16**, of the Allegany County Library System; and **Sherry White**, who works for News and Media Services (Advancement) at FSU.



Throughout his tenure at FSU as a communication studies and philosophy major, Jones secured internships within all three levels of government – local, state and federal. While at FSU, he worked alongside the president of the regional NAACP in Allegany County, Md., as the FSU student liaison and member of the Political Action Committee. Jones was granted TS clearance through Pacific Architect Engineers and spent time working for the FBI as a legal administrative specialist. He works as a legislative aide and communications director for Baltimore County Councilman Julian Jones and plans to attend law school.



Mason is the Arts and Graphics coordinator for the Allegany County Library System. In 2017, she spearheaded the creation of the local chapter, Choose Civility: Allegany County, a grassroots initiative to improve and enrich Allegany County by promoting civil conversations and kindness toward others. Through partnerships with local entities like FSU, ACM, the Women's Action Coalition, Leadership Allegany, the Class of 2018 and NAACP, the local Choose Civility chapter remains viable and sustainable.



With more than 25 years of experience in communication and media, White is a writer/digital communication specialist at FSU. While she began her career writing and editing for companies such as Simon and Schuster, Houghton Mifflin and Pearson Education, White's interests and career have evolved toward graphic and website design. She is pursuing a graduate certificate in user experience/user interface design from the University of Baltimore.

For info regarding the award or nomination process, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies and the Communication Leadership Lab, at elruminski@frostburg.edu. A panel of reviewers external to the Department of Communication will rank and determine the award winner, and public announcement will be made **later in May**. 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 of acknowledgement will be given to the student who receives this honor.

FSU-TV3

FSU-TV3 and CLA Showcase Local, Regional and National Authors



FSU-TV3 and the Center for Literary Arts are working together to showcase local, regional and national authors. Invited authors have done virtual readings for wide audiences, and this collaborative effort will give authors the opportunity to deliver their messages to a wider audience. Tune in to FSU-TV3 on **Wednesday, April 14**, at 7 p.m. to hear R. David Fulcher, an author of horror, science fiction, fantasy and poetry. On **Wednesday, April 21**, at 7 p.m., join in on a reading from the Indie Lit Festival featuring Indran Amirthagayagam, who has authored numerous poetry collections, including "The Elephants of Reckoning" (1993), "Ceylon, R.I.P." (2001), "The Splintered Face" (2008), "Uncivil War" (2013) and "Coconuts on Mars" (2019). Tune in on **Wednesday, April 28**, at 7 p.m. to hear author David Eye, author of "Seed."

The Department of Communication and FSU-TV3 are collaborating with the Department of Music to livestream select performances to YouTube. Student intern **Shana Thomas**, with assistance from cable channel manager **Melanie Lombardi** and department chair **Dr. Keith Terry**, streamed the Department of Music Choral Concert titled "L'Chaim – To Life" that was held on March 26. The performance will air on **Monday, April 26**, at 7 p.m.

This Week on 'The Bottom Line on Air'



The Bottom Line and FSU-TV3 will air their weekly news broadcast show on **Wednesday, April 14**, at 8 p.m. The 30-minute show will be available on Facebook, YouTube and on basic Comcast cable channel 3. The show is hosted by student **Claire Sullivan**, associate produced by student **Cassie Conklin** and executive produced by **Melanie Lombardi**, cable channel manager.

This week guests will include **Ash Lester**, newest director of the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery, who will talk about the All-Campus Art Exhibition currently on display; **Holly Veith**, director of Disability Support Services; and **Emily Hash**, a member of the FSU Dance Company featured in the Spring Dance Concert produced by the Theatre and Dance Department.

Watch the show on FSU-TV3's YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBYNZFo1rDZdpNzDL1ruREQ>, the channel's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/FSUTV3> or the FSU-TV3 website at <https://www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/programming-information/programming.php>.

To stay connected with The Bottom Line, go to www.thebottomlinenews.com or find TBL on Twitter at [@BottomLineTBL](https://twitter.com/BottomLineTBL).

Jobs

Summer Positions Available – Tutor/Counselors

Upward Bound seeks tutor/counselors for its summer residential program on FSU's campus. Upward Bound is a federally funded program that encourages qualified Allegany County high school students to seek education beyond secondary school. The summer residence program provides the main focus and furnishes students with a sample of the college experience. The five-week program runs **from Sunday, June 13, through Friday, July 23**, and the three-week program **from Sunday, June 13, through Friday, July 9** (tentative dates), and includes one week of training. The salary for the three-week tutor/counselor is \$1,250 plus room and board and for the five-week tutor/counselor is \$2,100 plus room and board. Applicant review will begin immediately. The deadline to apply is **Thursday, April 15**. For info, contact the Upward Bound office at 301-687-4994, email esteele@frostburg.edu or visit the Upward Bound website at www.frostburg.edu/upwardbound.

Due to COVID-19, a final decision for summer has not been determined, and an offer of employment only stands if Upward Bound will be residential rather than virtual.

Student Life

Edgewood Commons Taking Applications for 2021-2022



Edgewood Commons is taking applications for the 2021-2022 school year. As a top on-campus housing option, Edgewood Commons meets the FSU residency requirements for students, offering the only on-campus, apartment-style living experience. Edgewood Commons is a top choice with an array of residential amenities and apartments that include all-private bedrooms, furnished apartments with full kitchens, full-size washers and dryers, and more. Schedule a virtual tour and learn how Edgewood Commons can be your top on-campus housing choice by phone at 301-689-1370 or email at info@edgewoodfsu.com.

Secure your new home and apply today at <http://edgewoodfsu.com>. Check out Edgewood Commons on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/EdgewoodCommonsFSU> and Instagram at <https://www.instagram.com/edgewoodfsu>.

Study Abroad

Study Abroad: Start Planning Your Experience for Spring 2022!



Bethany Bloom, Morocco, Fall 2019

Join the Center for International Education for an information session to learn more about study abroad. The last virtual session takes place at 3:30 p.m. on **Friday, April 16**.

Email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu to sign up for the session of your choice.

Health and Safety Messages

Tips to Stay Safe Online



Create complex passwords. Creating strong, unique passwords for all your critical accounts really is the best way to keep your personal and financial information safe. Use a password manager to help you store and create strong passwords.

Boost your network security. The problem with public WiFi is that it is often unsecured. That's why you should consider investing in a virtual private network.

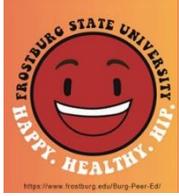
Click smart. Make sure that you don't invite danger with careless clicking. Always be wary of offers that sound too good to be true or ask for too much information. Never give away your Social Security number!

Be a selective sharer. Be cautious about what you share, particularly when it comes to your identity information. This can potentially be used to impersonate you or guess your passwords, security questions and logins.

Protect your mobile life. Only download apps from official app stores. Make sure that your security software is enabled on all your devices.

Keep up to date. Keep all of your software updated so you have the latest security patches. Turn on automatic updates on your computer, tablet and cell phone, and make sure that your security software is set to run regular scans.

Happy, Healthy, Hip



Mental Health Monday Tip: Take Note of Your Feelings

<https://www.healthline.com/health/how-to-keep-mood-journal>

Tell Yourself Tuesday Tip: How to Remain Focused

<https://www.bustle.com/articles/107101-5-things-to-tell-yourself-when-you-need-to-be-productive>

Wacky Wednesday Tip: Try to Make Others Smile, Too

<https://www.lifehack.org/276630/15-easy-ways-make-others-smile>

Thankful Thursday Tip: Acknowledge How Far You Have Come

<https://tinybuddha.com/blog/knowing-how-far-youve-come-8-tips-to-celebrate-your-growth>

Fun Friday Tip: Exercise Through Dance

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=zumba+class

Social Saturday Tip: Inexpensive Activities With Friends

<https://www.thesimpledollar.com/save-money/cheap-and-social-15-inexpensive-and-very-fun-things-to-do-with-friends>

Self-Love Sunday Tip: Recharge by Relaxing

<https://www.healthline.com/health/stress/how-to-relax#Why-relaxing-is-so-important>

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.