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Mayhem and melody on SAC performance stages

The Departments of Theatre and Speech Communication, and Music & Humanities offer several events this semester.

The schedule from Theatre and Speech Communication includes:

Anna in the Tropics by Nilo Cruz, directed by Paula Rodriguez, Feb. 10-11, 16-19 and 23-26 in McAllister Auditorium. Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., the Pulitzer Prize-winning romantic drama is set in a Tampa cigar factory where a new 'lector' arrives and reads Tolstoy's *Anna Karenina* to the workers. Talk back follows on Feb. 16.

A Flea in Her Ear by Georges Feydeau, directed by Ronald Watson, April 7-8, 12-15, and 20-23 in McCreless Auditorium. Set in the early 1900s, the story focuses on a woman who tests her husband's fidelity with a letter from an imaginary admirer suggesting a secret meeting at a tawdry hotel. However, her letter sets up madcap mix-ups and scandalous scenarios. Talk back follows on April 12.

Performances are set for 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets for each are free for ACCD students and employees; \$12 for General Audiences; and \$8 for non-ACCD students, seniors (age 60+) and military personnel. For details, call the department at 733-2715.

The SAC Music Department indicates its Recital Series in McAllister Auditorium is free and open to the public. For details, see schedule below or call 733-2731.

Monday, Feb. 27, 7:30 p.m.
Faculty Recital: Andrew Gignac, trumpet

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 12:30 p.m.
Latin Jazz Combo: Alice Gomez, director

Wednesday, March 1, 1 p.m.
SAC Band Concert: Peter Kline, director

Thursday, March 2, 2 p.m.
Jazz Ensemble: Andrew Gignac, director

Friday, March 3, 1 p.m.
Choral Concert: Cynthia Sanchez, director

Sunday, March 5, 2 p.m.
"Guitars Galore" coordinated by Terry Muska

Thursday, March 9, 7:30 p.m.
Honors Recital: Dr. Jessica Howard, director

Tuesday, March 21, 7:30 p.m.
Bach Birthday Recital: Dr. Jessica Howard, coordinator

Thursday, March 23, 7:30 p.m.
Faculty Recital: Peter Kline, trombone

Monday, March 27, 7:30 p.m.
Guest Artist: Bill Welborn, piano;
Mark Alexander, coordinator

Tuesday, April 4, 7:30 p.m.
Piano Faculty Dedication Recital: "Side by Side by Steinway." Mary Lou Russell, coordinator

Tuesday, April 11, 7:30 p.m.
Percussion Studio Recital: Alice Gomez, director

Monday, April 17, 1 p.m.
Guitar Ensemble: Terry Muska, director

7:30 p.m. Early Music Concert: Madalyn Blanchett, coordinator

Tuesday, April 18, 6 p.m.
Estudiantina: Alice Gomez, director

7:30 p.m. Latin Jazz Combo: Alice Gomez, director

Wednesday, April 19, 1 p.m.
SAC Band Concert: Peter Kline, director

Thursday, April 20, 7:30 p.m.
Jazz Ensemble: Andrew Gignac, director

Friday, April 21, 7:30 p.m.
Choral Concert: "Songs of Light"
Cynthia Sanchez, director

Tuesday, April 25, 7:30 p.m.
Opera Workshop: Billy Craven, director

Calendar of Events

All events are free, except as noted.

Through March 2

Telephone/Web registration for Flex II.
On-campus late registration, March 2.
Flex II begins March 6.

February 1-10

Black History Month Art Exhibit at Northeast Campus by artist Glen Franklin.
Contact: Dr. Gloria Jones, gjones@accd.edu

February 2-28

Black History Month Student Art Exhibit in Loftin Student Center – display cases.
Contact: Marleen Hoover, 733-2896.

Saturday, Feb. 4

"Saturn Night Live" hosted by the SAC Scobee Planetarium and the San Antonio Astronomical Association. (If it is cloudy or raining, session will be cancelled.)
Contact: Scobee Planetarium, 733-2910.

Wednesday, Feb. 8

Jazz on the Mall with Ron Wilkins
11:00 a.m. - 1 p.m. Loftin - Fiesta Room
Contact: Rosie Carreon at 733-2731.

Thursday, Feb. 9

"African Masks and Masquerades: Visual Elements of Community Self-Help Groups"
9:25 - 10:40 a.m. VATC 120
Contact: Marleen Hoover, 733-2896.

Buffalo Solders Encampment (info tent)
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Outside LSC, Mall area
Contact: Judi Clark, 733-2641.

Wednesday, Feb. 15

A Day of Celebrating Community. 10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Loftin. Contact: Wynette Keller, 733-2760 or Judi Clark, 733-2641.

Thursday, Feb. 23

Panel Discussion: Lift Every Voice - Involvement in our Social and Civic Organizations. 10:50 a.m. - 12:05 p.m. Loftin - Fiesta Room.
Contact: Wanda Lee Smith, 733-2550.

Tuesday, Feb. 28

African American Read - In and Essay Contest Awards. 10:50 a.m. - 12:05 p.m. Loftin - Fiesta Room. Contact: Janice Clayton, 733-2512 or jclayton@accd.edu.

For additional calendar items, visit www.accd.edu/sac/pr/calendar.htm



Congratulations to music majors (l-r) **Michael Moore**, trombone; **Randall Flores**, trombone; **Lindsey Smith**, flute; and **Luis De La Cruz**, alto sax; as well as (not pictured) **Adam Castro**, alto sax; **Jose "N.J." Noriega**, tuba; and **Kevin Salazar**, tenor sax. They auditioned for the Texas Community College Band Directors Association (TCCBDA) All-State Symphonic Band, and placed. Later this spring, they will audition for final chair placement.

**Judges needed for
Texas Academic Decathlon State Finals**

Friday, February 24
Speech and Interview events
to be held at SAC from 2 to 8 p.m.

Contact: Rick Hopkins, 733-2296 or
rhopkins@accd.edu

Students transition well

Success of the SAC Senior Summer Program is attributed, in part, to ACCD initiatives like Student Program Development – (East, West, South) Community Centers and the SAC College Access Project for High School Seniors, says Program Coordinator Manuel Gonzalez III in the Department of Evening, Weekend and Distance Education.

He recently reported that for the Summer 2005 program, 236 students enrolled; almost half of them were from the San Antonio Independent School District, mostly from area schools Jefferson, Edison, Fox Tech and Sidney Lanier (J.E.T.L.). More than 40 percent of students were involved with the San Antonio Education Partnership.

“We are very excited with the strong results,” Gonzalez affirms. “Program data indicates that the completion rate for the 2005 Senior Summer Program was 90% and the productive grade rate was 85%.”

Since the start of the Fall semester, program staff and volunteers have assisted participants with their transitions from high school to college. In fact, as of Sept. 28, ninety percent of the 2005 Senior Summer students had transitioned to post-secondary education. One hundred eighty-five students (78%) transitioned to SAC, seven (4%) to St. Philip’s College, four (2%) to Northwest Vista College, four (2%) to Palo Alto College; two (1%) are enrolled in Continuing Education programs at SAC, and the remaining have gone on to other intuitions of higher education.

Applications are being accepted now through May 5 for the 2006 Senior Summer Program at SAC. For details, contact Gonzalez at 733-2478, or via e-mail to mangonza@accd.edu.

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Deadline to submit items is 5 p.m. Monday. Send news to Public Relations, FAC 313, call 733-2147, or e-mail your items to jhammond@accd.edu or dmartin@accd.edu. The Update staff reserves the right to edit items.

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Center helps with transfers

The Transfer Center at San Antonio College provides a variety of resources for students who wish to transfer from the community college to a four-year institution. Located on the first floor of the Moody Learning Center, the Transfer Center helps students to obtain degree plans, transfer guides for specific majors, information about local Joint Admissions Agreements, educational directories, university catalogs and Internet resources.

Admissions applications and scholarship information are also available. And the Transfer Center arranges student appointments with various university admissions representatives. Additionally, each semester, the Center hosts a Transfer Fair that enables students to meet with university representatives who can provide specifics on transfer opportunities, housing and available financial aid information, and scholarship programs.

Spring 2006 Transfer Fair

Wednesday, Feb. 22

9 a.m. - Noon

Loftin Student Center - Fiesta Room

Representatives from more than
40 universities will be on campus!

Contacts: Dr. Terry Walch, 733-2553,
and Carmen Garcia, 733-2336 or
cgarcia2@accd.edu.

With the goal to help every student meet his or her educational objectives, SAC staff make every effort to assist students wishing to transfer. However, students must consult with the senior college or university to ensure appropriate courses are taken at San Antonio College. For information, visit the Transfer Center in MLC, via phone at 733-2099, or on the web at www.accd.edu/sac/students/tc.htm.



“Drawing & 3-D” is the student art exhibit in the VATC Gallery now through March 10, open Mondays - Thursdays, 8a.m. to 9 p.m., and Fridays - Saturdays, 8a.m. to 4 p.m. The work explores relationships between 2-D and 3-D form. Featured are traditional and hybrid projects from Drawing III, 3-D Design II and Sculpture I & II classes. For information, call Exhibition Chair Joel Knocke, 733-2898; or Curators Mark Prichett, 733-2903, and Susan Witta-Kemph, 733-2102.



SAC Excellence ★

Bravo for **Dr. Richard Buitron**, History Dept., who had his first book published, “The Quest for Tejano Identity in San Antonio, Texas, 1913-2000” (Routledge, 2004).



Cheers to Kinesiology Instructor **Dawn Brooks** and Nursing Professor **Gayle Monnig**, RN, MSN, Psy.D. They are scheduled to present at the TRUE Research Foundation Seminar “Bridges to Successful Prevention and Control of Hypertension,” set for February 23-24 in the Omni Hotel. Brooks will speak on the role of exercise in the prevention and control of hypertension, and how to motivate people to be involved and committed. Monnig will discuss the relationship between stress and hypertension. Seminar information is online at www.trueresearch.org/hypertension2006/.

Congratulations to Adjunct History Instructor **Carla Mendiola**. As a result of her participation in the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Summer Faculty Institute: “Rethinking America from a Global Perspective” (Library of Congress, Summer 2005), she was invited to present at the January 2006 American Historical Association Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. With assistance from Dan Melgoza in SAC’s Instructional Technology Center, she developed an interactive, online project showing how U.S. History can be taught with a global perspective by using a local historic site. Her project features the Alamo and Missions of San Antonio, and can be found online at www.accd.edu/sac/history/mendiola/index.htm.

Hooray for Economics Chair **Wesley E. Booth**, who officiated as Field Judge for the 2006 U.S. Army All-American Bowl held in the Alamodome on Jan. 7. With 38 years of football officiating experience, Booth has officiated two state championship and numerous playoff games over 20 years, and served for 18 years as a Division II college official. He said, however, that officiating the Super Bowl of High School Football was one of his “more significant experiences.”

Congratulations to **Gil Castillo**, community liaison in Evening, Weekend and Distance Education, for his appointment as Vice President for Public Affairs on the Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education (TACHE) Board, pending Bylaw changes to incorporate this new position. Among his many duties will be monitoring legislative affairs and assisting with creation of the association’s annual report.