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**Justine Poulin and Joshua Orto appear in "The Trestle at Pope Lick Creek."**

## UT Presents 'Trestle at Pope Lick Creek'

University Theatre presents the award-winning play "The Trestle at Pope Lick Creek" on Nov. 12, 13, 18, 19 and 20 at 8 p.m. and on Nov. 13 at 2 p.m.

This play, set at the height of the great depression, focuses on two teenagers who plan a game of "chicken" with an oncoming train.

The setting is high on a trestle above a dry creek bed. When the game began it created a rush of excitement for the

teenagers, but soon it awakened their other dangerous passions.

The play depicts how economic depression can contaminate lives and is recommended for mature audiences.

Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for the general public. For more information or to make reservations, call x7462, 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## USGS Open House, Water Resources Exhibit

FSU and the Mountain Maryland Field Office of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) will hold an open house and a water resources exhibition on Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 1 to 5 p.m.

This event will begin in FSU's Compton Science Center, room 226, with introductions and brief talks by USGS, university and elected officials. Following, there will be a walk-through of the USGS office in room 128 in Tawes Hall. After the walk-through there will be demonstration/poster sessions and refreshments from 2 until 5 p.m.

For more information, call Jim Jeffries at 301-687-0919.

work. She focuses on the realization that geography and landscapes can change, but the drama of people's lives remains a constant. Her works are penetrated with the bittersweet energy of hope in the face of disappointment, corruption and heartache.

This reading is free and open to the public. The Office of Student and Community Involvement will sponsor a book signing and reception following the reading.

For more information, contact the Department of English at x4221 or the Center for Creative Writing at x4024.

bars and punk shows. Bingman's music incorporates hints of blues and folk inspiration.

This performance is free and open to the public. For more information about Bingman and to hear music samples, visit [www.hannahbingman.com](http://www.hannahbingman.com).



## Speakers

### Hadra Forum: Who, What is an American?

The free weekly forums named for James Hadra will continue Monday, Nov. 8, at noon in Ort Library room 237 with Dr. Macgregor O'Brien of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literature speaking on "What is and Who is an American."

The 50-minute program is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring a bag lunch; coffee and tea will be provided.

On Nov. 15, Dr. Kevin Kehrwald will speak on "Disaster Movies and the Politics of Destruction."

On Nov. 22, Dr. Paul Charney will present "An American in Castro's Cuba."

The forum is sponsored by Catholic Campus Ministries, United Campus Ministries and Hillel. For more information, call Gary Horowitz at x4271.

## Literature



### Ctr. for Creative Writing Presents Flanagan

FSU's Center for Creative Writing presents a reading by author Brenda

Flanagan on Wednesday, Nov. 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lane University Center 142.

Flanagan is the author of "You Alone Are Dancing" and the recently released



**Brenda Flanagan**

collection of stories "In Praise of Island Women." She was born in Trinidad and incorporates the island imagery into her

## Music

### UPC Hosts 2nd Annual Battle of the Bands

Frostburg State's University Programming Council will host its second annual Battle of the Bands on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m. in the Manicur Assembly Hall in the Lane University Center.

Six bands will compete at this event. Winners of the Battle of the Bands can win cash prizes and the opportunity to play at the FSU Spring Fest in May.

For more information contact the UPC at x4192.

### Live! at the Loft Presents FSU's Hannah Bingman

FSU Center Stage "Live at the Loft" presents FSU's own Hannah Bingman on Friday, Nov. 12, at 8 p.m. in the Lane University Center Loft.

Bingman, an FSU student, is a young singer-songwriter from Beaver Springs, Pa. She has performed all around central Pennsylvania at coffee shops,

### FSU to Mark Einstein's 'Miraculous Year'

FSU joins other physics organizations in celebrating Albert Einstein's "Miraculous Year" of 1905 in the World Year of Physics 2005. It is designed to bring about the excitement of physics to the public and the world to inspire a new generation of scientists. The following

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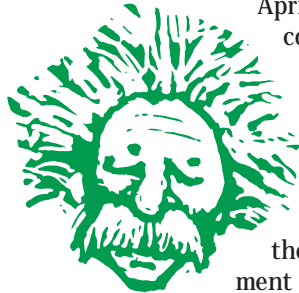
scheduled activities at FSU are under the sponsorship of the Faculty Development Subcommittee.

Einstein Centennial Lecture, by Dr. Sylvester James Gates, Jr., will be Thursday, Nov. 18, at 8 p.m. in Compton 226. Gates, the John S. Toll Professor of Physics at the University of Maryland, College Park, is a recognized authority on particle and string theory. He will give a lecture for the general audience on Einstein's legacy in gravitation, relativity and evolution of the universe.

On Friday, Nov. 19, from 9 to 9:50 a.m., he will conduct a physics seminar for faculty and students. An open meeting with the community is scheduled on Friday from 10 to 10:50 a.m. For an appointment, please call Linda Steele at x4137, or [lsteelle@frostburg.edu](mailto:lsteelle@frostburg.edu).

Next year, the celebration will continue with a panel discussion, "It's About Time," on Monday, March 14, 2005. Concepts of time will be the topic of discussion with physicists, philosophers and historian as panelists. Western and Eastern concepts of time will be compared and contrasted, in the context of relativity, space travel and thermodynamics. A birthday party, celebrating Einstein birthday and  $\pi$ -day, March 14, 1879, will follow after the panel discussion.

The next month, Francis Tam will present a faculty lecture, "Einstein Lived Here?" on Monday, April 18, 2005. To



commemorate the 50 years since Einstein's passing on April 18, 1955, Tam, of the FSU Department of Physics &

Engineering will discuss Einstein's visit to Deep Creek Lake, including his unique sense of humor, some unusual stories and his legacy. Some of the seldom-seen pictures of Einstein with Western Marylanders will be shown.

Other activities celebrating WYP 2005 involving science demonstrations for school and civic groups may be scheduled. For information, contact Tam at x4165 or [ftam@frostburg.edu](mailto:ftam@frostburg.edu) or visit [www.physics2005.org](http://www.physics2005.org).

## Origins of African American Studies

Dr. Leroy Johnson, Africanist and African Diaspora, European and American historian, will speak on "The Evolution and Genesis of African American Studies" on Thursday, Nov. 18, in 218 Dunkle Hall, at 7 p.m.

Johnson earned a Ph.D. in history from the University of Michigan, with concentrations in African History, African American Intellectual History, and Early Modern Spain, Portugal and Modern France. Johnson's early education, as well as teaching career, was in France, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Ancient and Medieval History

from the University of Caen.

Johnson's teaching experience in America is broad and varied, including experience at such institutions as Northeastern University (Boston), Bryn Mawr College (Pennsylvania) and Michigan State University. He has



taught dozens of courses, ranging from French and Spanish to "Ethnocentrism and Racism in the United States," "The World View of African American Intellectuals and Writers," "African-American Humanities," to "The History of Sports in American Society."

Johnson's visit to FSU is sponsored by the African American Studies Society, African American Studies Program, Equal Opportunity Office; NAACP, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and other organizations.

The presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the EEO office, 305 Hitchins or x4101.

## Art



### 'No Girlz Allowed'

"No Girlz Allowed" is a student art exhibition that will continue through Nov. 10 for five graduating males from FSU's Department of Visual Arts. The show's title, "No Girlz Allowed," reflects the lighthearted mindset of the artists featured and emphasizes their all male show — their own little clubhouse. Featured artists are Carlton Smith (painting, graphic design), Joshua Smith (painting, graphic design), Frank Stark (printmaking), Ben Marrapodi (photography), and Karold Gray (painting). The opening reception will be held on Friday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. in the Stephanie Anne Roper Art Gallery.

Carlton Smith has a dual focus in painting and graphic design. His paintings usually present symbolic messages that often have a spiritual reference or meaning. His intent is to speak to the mind and soul, as well as the eye of the viewer. His graphic design images are mostly made for advertising purposes, but also express a mood or idea through which the viewer can relate.

Joshua Smith also has a dual focus in painting and graphic design. His graphic design works consist of print and visual media often used for advertising and creative expression. His paintings are a series of "Reflections," inner thoughts and memories of the past, present and future.

Frank Stark's focus is printmaking, with a concentration in stone and aluminum plate lithography. His prints are primarily black and white compositions that illustrate a specific period in the artist's life. His contribution will also feature full color works ranging from gold leaf application to encaustic painting.

Ben Marrapodi's focus is in photography. The majority of his works are photographs taken from nature. The beauty of Western Maryland has inspired him to take such photographs. "My goal as a photographer is to visually stimulate the viewer. If this is achieved, then I know I have done my job as an artist and photographer."

Karold Gray has a dual focus in painting and graphic design, although, in this show he will present just paintings. His style of painting changes depending on the type of mood that he is in at any given time. Some of his paintings represent issues that he sees on a daily basis, while others simply emerge from his imagination.

The gallery will be open through Wednesday, Nov. 10, between 1 and 4 p.m.

## 2nd Environmental Photo Contest Coming

Gather your photos! Take late summer, fall and winter photos!

The Environmental Planning and Land Management Institute of FSU (a cooperative effort of the FSU Department of Geography and the Maryland Bureau of Mines, MDE) announces the Second Annual Environmental Photography Contest will be held next spring. Final dates for submission of photographs will be April 1, 2005. Official dates, contest information and rules will be available after Jan. 25, 2005. Keep your camera handy and make sure to take environmental photographs that depict beautiful Western Maryland (Garrett and Allegany counties). Eligible (amateur) participants are: anyone (over the age of 11 years old) who lives, works or attends school in Garrett or Allegany Counties. Details will follow at a later date. Questions can be forwarded to x4369 or x4721.

## Film



### International Film: 'Dirty Pretty Things'

FSU's International Film Series and Center Stage will show "Dirty Pretty Things" on Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m. in the Lane University Center room 201.

This film dives into the extremes that illegal immigrants will go to in order to create a better life for themselves. The two main characters, Okwe and Senay, work for less than minimum wage in a hotel in London. Everyday they are in jeopardy of being deported by immigrant officials and they are often the targets of exploitation due to their status in London. When they realize that there is an illegal organ transplant operation occurring in the hotel that they work for they become entangled in the conspiracy. Ultimately, if they want to raise the money to travel to America to live, one of them must be willing to offer one of their organs.

This movie is free. For more information, contact the Lane University Center Information Desk at x4411.



## Take Note

### Annual Holiday Party – Mark Your Calendars

Dr. Catherine Gira's annual Holiday Reception will be Wednesday, Dec. 15, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby.

### News for Spring 2005 MBA Applicants

The 2004-2006 FSU Graduate Catalog is available at the office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall. The revised MBA program requires that all students entering as of Spring 2005 complete the GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test). Test registration information is available through the Educational Testing Services Web site at [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org) or by calling the FSU Counseling Center, Sand Spring Hall, at x7990. The test is available as a computer based examination, given at FSU Monday and Friday, 8 a.m. to noon, and Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

### Help Identify Students Who are Potential Ph.D.s

The Ronald E. McNair Program's mission is to increase the number of undergraduate students from underrepresented groups enrolling in doctoral programs. The Associate Director of the University of Maryland McNair Program will be at FSU to talk to interested faculty and students on Wednesday, Nov. 17, in the President's Conference Room, second floor, Hitchins Building. An information session just for faculty and staff will begin at 10 a.m. Faculty and students are invited to a second session at 11 a.m. Seven FSU McNair Scholars who participated in the program in Summer 2004 will display posters about their research and be available to answer questions.

Faculty and staff are strongly urged to nominate eligible students and to encourage them to attend the session. To be eligible, a student must be a low-income, first-generation college student OR be from a group traditionally underrepresented in graduate education programs, such as Hispanic, African-American or Native American students or women in certain science and technology fields. The ideal candidate will have completed sophomore year by May 2005 and have a 2.8 GPA. Juniors also may be considered.

Students receive significant enrichment through two paid summer research internships and workshops and assistance in preparing for graduate school. Seven slots in the University of Maryland, College Park's program are reserved for FSU students.

Please attend an information session, or nominate students by contacting Mary Mumper, Chemistry, the McNair Faculty Committee Chair; Harriet Douglas, Student Support Services; or Mary Gartner, Office of the Provost.

### Interviews Open for MAT-E 2005 Cohort

Admissions interviews for the Master of Arts in Teaching – Elementary May 2005 Cohort will be scheduled on Tuesday, Nov. 23, at FSU's Hagerstown Center.

Interested students must have completed the FSU graduate application and have an entrance portfolio completed prior to making an appointment for an interview. The deadline for the group that will begin studies in summer 2005 is May 1.

FSU's Master of Arts in Teaching – Elementary program is designed for career changers or recent college graduates who want to pursue a career in elementary Education. The full-time program that last just over a year provides its students with all the necessary coursework and classroom experience to obtain teacher certification in the State of Maryland.

Dr. Kim Rotruck, MAT-E Graduate Program Coordinator, will host the interviews. To make an appointment for an interview or for more information, contact Dr. Rotruck at x4126 or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.

### USM Staff Awards Nominations Accepted

The FSU Staff Awards Review Committee now is accepting nominations for the 2004-2005 Board of Regents' University System of Maryland Staff Awards. The Staff Awards represent the highest honor the Board of Regents bestows for achievements of exempt and nonexempt employees from institutions of the University System and are presented to staff members who have demonstrated excellence in one of the following categories:

- Exceptional contribution to the institution and/or unit to which the person belongs.
- Outstanding service to students in an academic or residential environment.
- Extraordinary public service to the university or to the greater community.

Two Staff Awards are given in each category – one exempt (salaried employee) and one nonexempt (hourly employee) – for a total of six awards across the USM. The Regents will announce the winners in the spring, with prizes including a \$1,000 stipend for each honored staff member.

Complete nomination packets are due no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 11. Direct questions to Kelly Durst at [kdurst@frostburg.edu](mailto:kdurst@frostburg.edu) or x7487, or to Patrick McLane at [pmclane@frostburg.edu](mailto:pmclane@frostburg.edu).

### Commencement News for Graduate Students

Student who plan to graduate in December need to complete the "Application for Graduation" by Monday, Nov. 15, to be assured that you will be listed in the December Commencement Program. Get the form at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall, or x7053.

## Points of Pride



**Dr. William Anderson**, Economics, attended the conference, "Overcriminalization: The Politics of Crime," on Oct 29 at the Washington College of Law at American University in Washington, D.C., sponsored by the Washington College of Law and the Heritage Foundation.



## Deadlines

### Deadline For Graduation Exceptions

Are you planning a December 2004 graduation? If your official degree audit indicates you have not completed all requirements and you have a basis to request an exception, submit your written appeal letter and supporting letters and documentation to the Academic Standards Subcommittee, Office of the Provost, Hitchins Building by 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, for the November meeting (last chance for graduation exceptions and inclusion in the Commencement Booklet). For information, call the Provost's Office at x4212.

## Athletics



### ATEP Plans Youth Sports Safety Series

FSU's Athletic Training Education Program presents the Youth Sports Safety Series, free workshops designed to provide local youth league coaches and parents the tools needed to keep young athletes healthy and happy. The first workshop, "Preparing for Sports Emergencies," will be Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center's Leake Room. For more information or to reserve a spot, contact Jim Racchini at x4465 or [jracchini@frostburg.edu](mailto:jracchini@frostburg.edu).



## Scholarships

### David Sanford Graduate Student Scholarship

The recipient of the David Sanford Graduate Student Scholarship must be enrolled full- or part-time as a graduate student, have previously been an undergraduate at FSU and have received a varsity sport participation letter. An FSU overall grade point average of 3.0 or better is required. Applications will be available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling x7053. Deadline is March 1, 2005; award is \$500 annually.

### F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship

The recipient of the F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship must have completed high school or the equivalent in

either Allegany or Garrett counties in Maryland and be enrolled at FSU with an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better. The recipient must demonstrate financial need (completed FAFSA form). Applications will be available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling x7053. Deadline is March 15, 2005; award is \$1,500 annually.



### New Times for News, 'Destination Tomorrow'

If you are looking for TV3 News it has switched its time slot with NASA's Destination Tomorrow! Starting Wednesday, Nov. 10, TV3 News will air at 4 and 7 p.m. and NASA's Destination Tomorrow will air at 3 and 6 p.m. For other programming information, tune into TV3's message board, or contact Melanie Lombardi at mlombardi@frostburg.edu or x3011.

### Schedule for Nov. 8 - 12

**Monday:**

3 & 6 p.m. Poet: Lawrence Raab  
 4 & 7 p.m. NASA SCI Files, "The Case of the Galactic Vacation"  
 5 & 8 p.m. FSU Jazz Ensemble Concert Spring 2004  
 5:35 & 8:35 p.m. A Significant Journey

**Tuesday:**

3 & 6 p.m. Volleyball: AMCC Semifinal Game FSU vs. Pitt-Bradford  
 4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Volleyball: AMCC Championship Game

**Wednesday:**

3 & 6 p.m. Destination Tomorrow  
 3:30 & 6:30 p.m. "Search Warrant"  
 4 & 7 p.m. FSU TV3 News  
 4:10 & 7:10 p.m. Chamber Orchestra of the Alleghenies  
 5:35 & 8:35 p.m. Out & About Featuring: Merge

**Thursday:**

3 & 6 p.m. Volleyball: AMCC Semifinal Game FSU vs. Pitt-Bradford  
 4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Volleyball: AMCC Championship Game

**Friday:**

3 & 6 p.m. MD State of Mind  
 4 & 7 p.m. FSU Brass Ensemble Concert Fall 2004  
 5& 8 p.m. AAST Lecturer: Dr. Joy Kroeger-Mappes



### College Bowl Campus Tournament Nov. 20

Participants and volunteers are needed to make this event on Saturday, Nov. 20, from 2 to 8 p.m. successful.

College Bowl is a "Jeopardy" style game in which teams of four to five people answer questions on a wide range of topics. The format of the games is fast paced with two seven-

minute halves per game. Participants buzz in on toss-up questions. If your team gets the toss up question correct, you have the chance to answer bonus questions that help you build up points. The winning team will be offered the opportunity to represent FSU at the Regional College Bowl Tournament in New Jersey (Feb. 18-19, 2005).

If you are interested in participating, sign up your team at the Lane University Center Information Desk. If you would like to compete, but do not have a team, leave your name and phone number at the Information Desk. We will do our best to connect you with other people looking for a team.

Volunteers are needed to help on Nov. 20 as moderators who read questions, timekeepers, scorekeepers and general helpers. Contact Sara Livengood at x3214 or slivengood2@frostburg.edu.

### Catholic Campus Ministry

CCM will do final planning for its annual fall retreat on Tuesday, Nov. 9, in the Osborne Newman Center. The retreat at Alverno will be Nov. 12 to 14. Call (301) 689-5041 for information.

### United Campus Ministry

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m. in Ort Library room 237, Bill Pinches, pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Frostburg, will lead an interactive discussion on "How to Love Your Enemies."

### Second Sunday Worship

Second Sunday Worship Service will be Nov. 14 at 10 a.m. in Frost Hall's Cook Chapel. This is a Protestant worship service open to all.



### Sometimes It Pays To Toot Your Own Horn

On the job, you communicate with others to get things done safely. On the road, you should do the same thing. If another driver is veering into your lane, be ready to give your horn a friendly tap to let the other driver know you are there. Safe driving is everyone's business — be sure to do your part.

## FSU Events Calendar



**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

- \* Hadra Lecture, Dr. MacGregor O'Brien, "What is and Who is An American?" ..... Noon ..... Library 237
- \* Greek Life Lecture, T.J. Sullivan, "Confronting the Idiot in Your Chapter" ..... 7:00 p.m. .... Lane ARMAH

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

\*Have a great day!

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

- \* FSU Ring Promotion ..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. .... Lane Lobby
- \* USGS Open House, Water Resources Exhibition ..... 1-5 p.m. .... Compton 226
- \* Greek Council Meeting ..... 5:00 p.m. .... Lane Atkinson Room
- \* RHA Meeting ..... 7:30 p.m. .... Dunkle Hall 218
- \* UCM, Bill Pinches, "How to Love Your Enemies" ... 7:30 p.m. .... Library 237

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11—Veteran's Day**

- \* FSU Ring Promotion ..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. .... Lane Lobby
- \* SGA Meeting ..... 7:30 p.m. .... Lane Atkinson Room

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

- \* LIVE! at the Loft, Hannah Bingman ..... 7:00 p.m. ... Derezinski Lounge/Loft
- \* FSU Jazz Ensemble ..... 8:00 p.m. ... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
- \* University Theatre, "Trestle at Pope Lick Creek" ..... 8:00 p.m. .... PAC Studio Theatre

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

- \* Men's/Women's Cross Country: NCAA III Mid-East Regional Championships, Meadville, PA
- \* Computer Club Tournament ..... 10:00 a.m. .... Lane Atkinson Room
- \* Football: Regents Cup with Salisbury @ Towson .. 1:00 p.m. .... Away
- \* University Theatre, "Trestle at Pope Lick Creek" ... 2:00 p.m. .... PAC Studio Theatre
- \* UPC 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Battle of the Bands ..... 7:00 p.m. .... Lane ARMAH

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

- \* CCM Mass ..... Noon & 8:00 p.m. .... Cook Chapel
- \* UVUGD Gospel Choir Concert ..... 3 p.m. .... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
- \* Planetarium: "Dawn Sky Gazing" ..... 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. .... Tawes Hall
- \* Open to the public. Questions? – Call 301-687-4411. All information subject to change.

FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services, and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. You may request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, 302 Hitchins, 301-687-4102, TDD 301-687-7955.

### Teamwork Improves Safety

