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## CES at FSU Presents World-Class Performers in Spring Lineup



CES performers Qurrat Ann Kadwani (top) and Joan Soriano

CES at FSU continues its 2017-18 season with a spring lineup of award-winning musicians and professional artists from around the world, performing ballet, jazz, country music and surreal theatre.

New York-based actress and playwright Qurrat Ann Kadwani presents “They Call Me Q” on **Thursday, Feb. 15**. The one-woman play follows the story of a girl from Bombay growing up in the Bronx who seeks balance between cultural pressures. Laden with heart and humor, “They Call Me Q” speaks to the universal search for identity experienced by immigrants of all nationalities. This On the EDGE performance in the Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall of FSU’s Lane University Center begins at 8:15 p.m. and features informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and food and beverage options.



A LIVE! at StarScape performance on **Saturday, Feb. 24**, presents Joan Soriano, who has played a major role in popularizing bachata, a Dominican dance style. Bachata is essential to Dominican culture, drawing from a variety of musical influences from Africa, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean.

Born in the countryside near Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic, Soriano fashioned his first guitar from fishing line and a discarded metal box. Today he is known as “El Duque de la Bachata” – the Duke of Bachata. By blending Afro-Dominican sacred traditions with bachata, he infuses his music with down-to-earth spirit, punchy guitar-based rhythms and gutsy, street-born attitude. The 7:30 p.m. club-style performance takes place in Lane Manicur Hall.

Additional upcoming CES productions are as follows:

- The traditional Irish ensemble Danú in a club-style LIVE! at StarScape performance on **Friday, March 2**, at 7:30 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall
- The visionary theatre artists of Switzerland’s Mummenschanz in “you and me,” on **Tuesday, March 13**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Drama Theatre of FSU’s Woodward D. Pealer Performing Arts Center
- Vivacious singer-songwriter Risa Binder in an On the EDGE performance on **Thursday, April 12**, at 8:15 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall
- Trinidadian bandleader and jazz trumpeter Etienne Charles in a LIVE! at StarScape performance of “Creole Soul” on **Friday, April 13**, at 7:30 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall
- Cuban artist Daymé Arocena in a LIVE! at StarScape performance on **Sunday, April 29**, at 2:15 p.m. in the Frostburg Lyric Theatre at 20 E. Main St.
- The Moscow Festival Ballet in a performance of the timeless fairy tale “Cinderella” on **Thursday, May 10**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pealer Center Drama Theatre

Tickets may be ordered online by visiting <http://ces.frostburg.edu> or by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Entertainment

### FSU to Hold Fourth Annual Harry Potter Book Night



The wand chooses the wizard at Harry Potter Book Night.

Come celebrate the wonder of children's literature and J.K. Rowling's legendary and magical wizarding world of Harry Potter at FSU's fourth annual Harry Potter Book Night on **Friday, Feb. 2**, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Lewis J. Ort Library. This event is free and open to the public.

Presented by FSU's Children's Literature Centre, the Ort Library, the Lane University Center and Student and Community Involvement of FSU, this Pottertastic night will be filled with Hogwarts classes, a wand shop, magical surprises and a costume contest.

Children will be sorted by the famous sorting hat and will participate in three different wizard classes, including Quidditch, Potions, Divinations, Care for Magical Creatures, Herbology and many more. In their free time, children and families can select their very own wand, enjoy magical treats and take pictures with other witches and wizards. Be on the lookout for several Hogwarts professors who may make an appearance throughout the night!

The program is designed for children ages 8 to 12 but is not limited to that age group.

For info, contact the Children's Literature Center at [clc@frostburg.edu](mailto:clc@frostburg.edu) or 301-687-3133, or visit [www.facebook.com/clcfsu](http://www.facebook.com/clcfsu) or [www.frostburg.edu/clc](http://www.frostburg.edu/clc).

## Dance

### FSU's Theatre and Dance to Present Dance Concert, 'Just Venus: Celebrating the Female'



Former Dance Company members and FSU graduates Alex Stewart and Krysten Gutrich perform a piece of choreography.

The FSU Dance Company will present its 2018 dance concert, "Just Venus: Celebrating the Female," on **Thursday and Friday, Feb. 15 and 16**, at 7:30 p.m. and **Saturday, Feb. 17**, at 2 p.m. in the Pealer Center Drama Theatre. FSU's energetic dancers, under the guidance of FSU faculty member **Jamie McGreevy**, will showcase their disciplined technique, as well as their spirit and dedication to artistic excellence and innovative dance.

"Just Venus: Celebrating the Female," features six student-choreographed and student-directed pieces by company members **Jala Edwards**, **Alyssa Adams**, **Lauren Lynch**, **Lauren Williams** and **Sarah Polkabila**. In addition, student **Blue Stoute** and McGreevy will present their collaboration of spoken work and movement.

Edwards, a sophomore, has choreographed a sassy jazz dance to Christina Aguilera's rendition of "It's a Man's World." In this piece, the dancers are female office workers with a rather powerful male boss who gives them degrading tasks because they're women. Fed up with this patriarchy, the women confront the boss in a rant about who really makes the world go round.

Adams' "Soldier of Love" displays female strength and typifies her belief that "to overcome anything that was or still is in your way, you must be able to keep pushing even when you feel you lost."

Lynch's dance, "Make It Rain," is about women overcoming the struggles of being treated as if they are incapable of being on the same level as men. "Men may be bigger physically," she noted, "but women are the conquerors of the world."

Williams choreographed "Radioactive," a piece that embodies the rage every female has felt at one time or another. "Women aren't really allowed to express the harsh anger that they feel because when we do, our actions are deemed 'unladylike,'" she said. "I wanted to be sure that my piece was just that."

Polkabila, a senior company member, based her piece on "If I Should Have a Daughter," a spoken-word poem by Sarah Kay that artfully yet powerfully addresses the complexities of the mother-daughter relationship. "It reflects on a woman's thoughts about when she will have a daughter," Polkabila remarked. "It addresses the personal mother-daughter relationship and how that will affect one's future relationship with her daughter."

Lynch and Edwards teamed up to choreograph the group dance "Body Love," which is about self-image and loving oneself. "Many people often struggle with accepting how their bodies look and how other people view them, but it is important not to," they assert. "Love yourself and the skin you are in."

The collaboration between Stoute and McGreevy joins the voice-in-movement and movement-in-voice aspects of performing. McGreevy will perform an improvised contemporary modern movement in conversation with Stoute as she voices her original work, "Sweet Honey in the Fire."

This concert is family-friendly, but some of the music contains adult language.

Tickets can be purchased online through University Tickets or at the box office. Visit the website at [www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance](http://www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance) and click "Buy Tickets" to make an online reservation (service fees apply). Or, for more information 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

### Dr. Jay DeWire to Present FSU Faculty Artist Series Concert



FSU's Department of Music will kick off the spring semester with a performance by pianist *Dr. Jay DeWire* in a Faculty Artist Series concert on **Saturday, Feb. 3**, at 7:30 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall. This event is free and open to the public.

DeWire's program will include "Sonata in F Major, Op. 10, No. 2" and "Sonata in E Major, Op. 109" by Ludwig van Beethoven, "Sonata in B-flat Minor, Op. 35" by Frédéric Chopin and "Sonatine" by Maurice Ravel.

Beethoven's "Sonata in F Major, Op. 10, No. 2," dedicated to the Countess Anne Margarete von Browne, was written from 1796 to 1798. The sonata is divided into three movements. The first is in sonata form and creates many wonderful melodies. The second is a minuet in F minor with a trio, with the return of the minuet strongly embellished, more reminiscent of Beethoven's Bagatelles. The third movement is in sonata form, with a fugal development.

Beethoven's "Sonata in E Major, Op. 109," composed in 1820, is one of his later piano sonatas. In it, the composer returns to a smaller scale and a more intimate character. It is dedicated to Maximiliane Brentano, the daughter of Beethoven's long-standing friend Antonie Brentano. Musically, the work is characterized by a free and original approach to the traditional sonata form. Its focus is the third movement, a set of variations that interpret its theme in a variety of individual ways.

Chopin's "Sonata in B-flat Minor, Op. 35," popularly known as the Funeral March, was completed in 1839. It consists of four movements. The first opens with a short introduction, followed by a stormy opening theme and a gently lyrical second theme. The second movement is a virtuoso scherzo with a more relaxed melodic or a waltz-like central section. The third begins and ends with the celebrated funeral march that gives the sonata its nickname, but has a calm interlude. The finale contains a whirlwind of unremitting parallel octaves, with unvarying tempo and dynamics, and not a single rest or chord until the final bars.

Ravel's inspiration for composing his "Sonatine" was a 1903 competition sponsored by the fine arts and literary magazine Weekly Critical Review. One of his defining works, "Sonatine" is Ravel's homage to late 18th-century musical elegance and classical structure. The piece is in three movements. The leaping fifth melody of the first movement reappears in variations against different textures in the second and third movements. The final movement, "Animé," nears virtuosic compositional style.

For info, contact the Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

## Presentations

### Egyptian Professor to Discuss Underwater Archaeological Sites Near Egypt



The Lighthouse of Alexandria, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World

FSU's Department of Visual Arts and Cultural Anthropology Program and World Artists Experiences will host Dr. Emad Khalil, who will present "A Century of Maritime Archaeology in Egypt" on **Thursday, Feb. 1**, at 7 p.m. in room 132 of FSU's Fine Arts Building. This event is free and open to the public.

Khalil is a professor of maritime archaeology at Alexandria University in Egypt, as well as the director of its Center for Maritime Archeology and Underwater Cultural Heritage. He will discuss some of the most significant and unique underwater sites discovered in and around Egypt.

In 1912, the French engineer Gaston Jondet discovered the remains of an ancient submerged harbor off Alexandria's coast. Since then, several other underwater archaeological sites have been found in Egypt, including some of the most unique in the world – the remains of the Lighthouse of Alexandria, sometimes called the Pharos of Alexandria, the submerged towns Herakleion and Eastern Canopus, and several shipwrecks from different periods.

In addition to underwater sites, numerous maritime archeological sites have also been discovered along the Mediterranean and the Red Sea coastlines. These include several harbor sites that date from the Old Kingdom until the late Roman imperial period. Moreover, several archaeological sites have been unearthed south of Alexandria along the coast of Lake Mareotis.

For info, contact Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at [krogerstomas@frostburg.edu](mailto:krogerstomas@frostburg.edu).

### Author Daryl Davis to Speak on Meetings With KKK



The Martha T. and Ralph M. Race Western History Lecture Series will present acclaimed blues musician, author, actor and activist Daryl Davis on **Monday, Feb. 26**, at 7 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. This lecture is free and open to the public.

Davis will discuss his book, "Klan-destine Relationships" (1998) about his meetings with Ku Klux Klan members over the years in an effort to understand their perspective.

"Accidental Courtesy: Daryl Davis, Race and America," a documentary about Davis' interviews with Klan members, aired on PBS on Feb. 13, 2017.

For info, contact Dr. Amy Branam Armiento at [abranam@frostburg.edu](mailto:abranam@frostburg.edu).

## Points of Pride

### FSU Degrees Ranked Among U.S. News & World Report's Best Online Programs

Four of FSU's online degree programs appear in the latest U.S. News & World Report Best Online Programs rankings, which were released on Jan. 9.

FSU's ranked programs appear on the organization's lists for Master of Business Administration (MBA), Graduate Nursing, Graduate Business, Graduate Education, and Bachelor's. FSU's only online bachelor's degree is the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). The online education degree is the Master of Education, special education concentration, which is also offered in an in-person format. The graduate nursing degree is the Master of Science in Nursing.

The online graduate programs were ranked on factors of student engagement, admissions selectivity, peer reputation, faculty credentials and training, and student service and technology. The bachelor's program did not include the admissions selectivity metric.

The greatest weight is given to the metric of student engagement, in which online students have the opportunity to interact readily with instructors and classmates to create a similar level of engagement as in in-person programs.

"I offer my congratulations to our faculty for their ongoing efforts to make online classes relevant and engaging to students, which they endeavor to do regardless of how the class is being delivered. These highly qualified individuals are a tremendous asset to Frostburg State University," said FSU President Ronald Nowaczyk. "We are especially pleased to receive this recognition, which demonstrates FSU's commitment to providing a quality learning environment for working adults."

In the MBA ranking list in particular, FSU's Faculty Credentials and Training score was 90 out of 100 possible points.

Accreditation from AACSB International (the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business), in the case of the MBA program, or the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, in the case of the M.Ed.-Special Education, was a key element in the student engagement metric as recognition that the programs use best practices in their educational programs. FSU has achieved AACSB and NCATE accreditation.

U.S. News & World Report evaluated nearly 1,500 online degree programs to produce these rankings. To review the FSU rankings, visit [www.usnews.com/education/online-education/frostburg-state-university-162584](http://www.usnews.com/education/online-education/frostburg-state-university-162584).

For info about graduate programs at FSU, visit [www.frostburg.edu/academics/graduate-study-at-fsu.php](http://www.frostburg.edu/academics/graduate-study-at-fsu.php) or email [gradservices@frostburg.edu](mailto:gradservices@frostburg.edu). For info about the online BSN, visit [www.frostburg.edu/academics/majorminors/bachelor/m-to-bsn-program-frostburg-state-university.php](http://www.frostburg.edu/academics/majorminors/bachelor/m-to-bsn-program-frostburg-state-university.php).

### Dr. Hank Bullamore to Serve on FoFF Alumni Council

*Dr. Hank Bullamore*, professor emeritus of FSU and a 2000 scholar grantee to University of Turku, will serve on the Friends of Fulbright Finland Alumni Council for the May 2017-May 2019 term. It will consist of six American alumni of the Finnish Fulbright program, recruited from throughout the U.S. and representing all the different grant programs.

The council was established in May 2015 to consider how to develop the American alumni program further through gatherings, enhanced communication, FoFF Alumni Enrichment Award support and development, and other topics as suggested by alumni.

### Dr. Francis Precht Earns Remote Pilot Certificate

*Dr. Francis "Bud" Precht*, a professor in FSU's Department of Geography, recently passed the FAA's Part 107 small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS) Pilot Proficiency Program, the Airman Knowledge Test and the Transportation Security Administration background check to earn a Remote Pilot Certificate – sUAS Rating.

Precht will teach GEOG 420 Topics in the Mapping and Geospatial Sciences during the spring semester. The class will construct three types of drones and use them to investigate how sUAS can be used to collect geographic data in support of a variety of projects.

## Take Note

### Brady to Offer Free Walk-in Flu Clinic



We are in the midst of a very active flu season, with much of the country experiencing widespread and intense flu activity.

If you have not had a flu shot, there will be a free walk-in flu clinic at the Brady Health Center on **Friday, Feb. 2**, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event is open to the campus community.

Remember, to prevent the spread of the flu, avoid contact with sick people, if you have flu-like symptoms, stay home until 24 hours after the symptoms disappear, wash your hands often and cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, then throw the tissue away.

For info, contact Darlene Smith at [dcsmith@frostburg.edu](mailto:dcsmith@frostburg.edu).

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## Spring 2018 Diversity Retreat

The Center for Student Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (CSDEI) announces that applications are now available for the FSU Spring Diversity Retreat. The retreat is scheduled for **4 p.m. Friday, March 9, through 1 p.m. Sunday, March 11**. The retreat theme is "Building CommUnity Through Self-Awareness." The retreat will include a diversity/inclusion workshop and other related activities intended to increase participants' awareness, knowledge and skill levels in diversity, equity and inclusion.

Participants are challenged to explore their experiences and feelings about their own groups as well as the groups to which others belong. Skill training and action planning are included, so that the participants return to campus better prepared as change agents in creating and maintaining a safe and welcoming environment at FSU. This is an excellent opportunity to develop relationships with students from various identity groups that reach beyond the surface.

Applications will be available in CSDEI, located in Hitchins 116, and at the Lane information desk. Completed applications must be submitted by **Monday, Feb. 19**.

For info, contact Robin Wynder at 301-687-4050.

## Focus Frostburg – Call for Presentations



Focus Frostburg, FSU's annual day of learning on sustainability and climate awareness, will be held this year on **Wednesday, April 18**, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with an evening program to be scheduled, in the Lane University Center. The event is free and open to FSU students, faculty, staff and the community.

Student presentations would make a great class activity. Poster presentations are welcome. Hands-on activities, workshops and demonstrations are strongly encouraged.

To participate, email Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at [krogerstomas@frostburg.edu](mailto:krogerstomas@frostburg.edu) and submit a presentation/workshop title and one- or two-sentence abstract of a topic. Topics may be varied but should cover a sustainability, environment or climate awareness issue. All presentations should span a maximum of 50 minutes, since the normal MWF class schedule will be followed. If more time is needed, content can be carried over into a second session. In your response, indicate if there is a preferred time of day when you would like to present. Room space for presentations is limited. Be sure to confirm your interest by **Friday, March 2**.

Faculty, if your course covers related themes, consider having your class meet for one of these sessions. As in previous years, faculty may want to have students, as appropriate, attend a Focus Frostburg session in lieu of class attendance or to make any of the seminars and activities an extra-credit assignment.

## FSU Foundation Opportunity Grants



The FSU Foundation is once again seeking funding proposals from faculty, staff and students for Foundation Opportunity Grants and several other awards for fiscal year 2019.

Those interested should complete the FSU Foundation Opportunity Grant Request Form (<https://www.frostburg.edu/foundation/forms/opportunity-grant-request>), which includes a line item budget. All applications must be limited to two pages. A third page is only permitted for the line item budget. After you complete the form, you must submit it online at [www.frostburg.edu/foundation/forms/opportunity-grant-request](http://www.frostburg.edu/foundation/forms/opportunity-grant-request). No paper or emailed applications will be accepted.

The deadline for proposals is midnight on **Sunday, March 11**. Applicants will be notified of the awards following the **June** Foundation Board meeting.

Projects may be funded from the following:

- **FSU Foundation Opportunity Grants** for projects that support FSU's institutional priority to enhance experiential and applied learning opportunities for students inside and outside the classroom
- **Al and Dale Boxley Faculty Award/Student Research Award** to support faculty or student projects
- **J. Frederick Gibraltar Regional and Cultural Arts Funds** to support regional and cultural arts programs at FSU
- **Jonathan Gibraltar Presidential Leadership Fund for Alcohol Awareness and Education** to support educational programs, social programs and/or community service-related programs geared toward alcohol awareness and the importance of responsible behaviors and decision making
- **College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Development Award** to support faculty development initiatives for faculty members in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Catherine R. Gira Campus-to-Community Awards** to support students or student projects that demonstrate an entrepreneurial spirit, critical thinking skills and a determination to be successful
- **Woodward and Virginia Pealer Faculty Development Award** to support student scholarships and faculty development initiatives for stipends/funding and travel expenses for visiting scholars, lecturers, artists, performers and programs; recognition and promotion of these activities; equipment purchases in conjunction with these activities; and outreach/professional development programs for Allegany County
- **Stephen M. Spahr Student Activism Award** to provide financial assistance to student organizations, classes or informal groups of students needing funds to travel to programs or to centers of governmental activity to experience, firsthand, the workings of the democratic process

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- **Marlene Weimer Memorial Scholarly Endeavors Fund** to support scholarly endeavors in the area of innovative mathematics faculty development initiatives and/or scholarship support for outstanding mathematics students, depending on the area of greatest need as determined annually by the Mathematics Department

For info, visit [www.frostburg.edu/foundation/ways-to-give/annual-fund/opportunity-grants](http://www.frostburg.edu/foundation/ways-to-give/annual-fund/opportunity-grants).

## FSU to Offer Summer Music Academy for Classical Music

FSU will host its third annual Summer Music Academy **from Sunday, July 22, through Sunday, July 29**, featuring guest instructors and artists from top musical ensembles. The academy promotes classical music education, and the goal is to develop individual musicianship for string, woodwind, brass, piano and voice in a supportive environment.

Those who are ages 14 and up are encouraged to enroll. All skill levels are welcome.

New this year is the SMA International Competition for participants between the ages of 14 and 19. The competition, with an award of more than \$1,000, will consist of a single round, which will take place on **July 22**.

During the one-week workshop, each attendee will experience instruction from world-renowned guest artists, including members of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, The Flute Academy, Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra of Washington, as well as FSU music department faculty members. The academy will be no larger than 60 students.

Academy activities will feature masterclasses, evening faculty performances, chamber music coaching, the Alexander Technique and exposure to internationally renowned musicians, soloists and teachers, as well as outdoor activities in the beautiful setting of the Allegheny Mountains.

Faculty are not only accomplished performers, but are also skilled instructors. They include cellist Charlie Powers, a founding member of two critically acclaimed chamber ensembles, the Teiber String Trio and The Phillips Camerata, as well as the recently formed Pittsburgh Cello Quartet; Jacob Shack, fourth chair viola of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra; **Dr. Shu-ting Yao**, principal second violin at the National String Symphonia; **Dr. Kristin Bacchiocchi-Stewart**, the director and founder of The Flute Academy in Bergen County, N.J., principal flute with The New Jersey Wind Symphony and a member of the Lyra Ensemble who has also taught at FSU; **Dr. Mark Gallagher**, an associate professor of clarinet and music theory at FSU; **Dr. Brent Weber**, an assistant professor of saxophone at FSU; Dr. Huai-En Tsai, the assistant principal trombonist for the Symphony of the Potomac and Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra of Greater Washington, D.C.; Pianist **Joseph Yungen**, a lecturer at FSU and a founding member of the faculty and administration of the New Jersey Young Artist Piano Competition; **Dr. James M. Reddan**, a director of Choral Activities and Choral Music Education at FSU; and First Associate Concertmaster Nathan Cole, of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, who is also on the faculty at the Colburn School for the Performing Arts. Cole will be playing his 1716 Stradivarius "ex-Milstein" at FSU.

SMA International Competition performers must participate in all required SMA events throughout the week. Repertoire requirements for instrumentalists include one movement of a concerto or sonata and one contrasting piece of the participant's choice. Vocalists must perform two operatic arias of contrasting styles and languages and two art songs of contrasting styles and languages.

A variety of price and residency options are available. For info or to register for the academy, visit [www.frostburg.edu/dept/music/summer-music-academy](http://www.frostburg.edu/dept/music/summer-music-academy) or contact the director, Dr. Karen Lau, at [klau@frostburg.edu](mailto:klau@frostburg.edu).

The FSU Summer Music Academy is supported in part by the FSU Foundation. To support the FSU Foundation, call 301-687-4161 or visit [www.frostburg.edu/foundation/ways-to-give](http://www.frostburg.edu/foundation/ways-to-give).

## It's Snowing! Should I Stay or Should I Go?

Make sure you know how to find out if FSU will be closed, have a delayed opening or close early on bad weather days.

The most reliable information regarding delayed openings and cancellations will be available at the MAIN UNIVERSITY NUMBER (301-687-4000, option 2) after 6 a.m. Notification of delays or closures will also be made through these outlets:

- Via Burg Alert text and email alerts (Registration information is below.)
- Through campus email
- On top of the main page of the FSU website
- Via Twitter at [twitter.com/frostburgstate](https://twitter.com/frostburgstate)
- On the FSU Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/frostburgstateuniversity](http://www.facebook.com/frostburgstateuniversity)
- Through local radio stations
- Via School's Out at <https://www.schoolsout.com/schools/79> (Emails and text alerts are available.)

Everyone should sign up for Burg Alerts, which, in addition to weather notifications, will be used to alert the campus in any kind of emergency. Alert can be sent as text messages to your cell phones (standard texting rates apply) and as free emails. To sign up, click <https://www.frostburg.edu/computing/fsualert> or click the Emergency link at the bottom of the FSU front page. Look for "Burg Alerts" on the right side of the page. Follow the instructions, using your FSU user name and password to access the site.

You have the option of having alerts sent to two cell numbers and six email addresses, for example, if you want your family members to be informed. (They cannot sign up without your input.) This option is found under "Services" when you sign up. Make sure to follow the validation steps to activate your choices.

Unless an FSU closure is announced on the outlets above, WE ARE OPEN. Likewise, the message under option 2 at the main University number will announce the closure or announce, "There are no delays or closures at this time." (If you are a student at a facility outside of Frostburg, officials from that facility will determine closures for those locations.)

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**FOR FACULTY/STAFF:** Personnel compensation for closures or delays will be based on the appropriate cancellation/delay message as presented on the FSU voicemail system. A reminder: Essential personnel are required to report to work in the event of any cancellation or delay. These individuals have been notified of their “essential” status by their department heads. If you are unsure of your status, check with your supervisor.

If, in your judgment, it is not safe for you to come to work or to class while the University is still open, you must contact your supervisor and provide this information. In the event that liberal leave is announced for employees, it is expected that everyone will make an effort to report to work and class. Employees who take liberal leave will be charged for the appropriate leave time. The announcement of liberal leave DOES NOT cancel classes, nor does it relieve essential employees of their need to report to work during inclement weather.

**FOR STUDENTS:** The announcement of liberal leave for employees DOES NOT cancel classes. If you have concerns about your ability to make it to class in bad weather, discuss them with your faculty members before the weather turns nasty.

Depending on the severity of the weather, the Lane University Center and the Cordts PE Center may open with limited hours and services on days when classes are cancelled. This service is for students living on campus and within walking distance. Do not attempt to drive to campus if the weather is severe enough to warrant closing the University, for your own safety and for the sake of those who must work to clear parking lots and sidewalks. When it is determined that it is safe to open these buildings, announcements will be made via student email and the front page of the FSU website.

If you use SafeRide, there’s a new way to stay informed in case SafeRide does not run in bad weather. Text the word “saferide” to 79516. You will receive a confirmation text that tells you that you have signed up successfully. (You must have already signed up for Burg Alerts to use this service.)

**FOR ALL:** The final decision regarding your personal safety resides with you. Stay warm and be safe.

PLEASE DO NOT CALL UNIVERSITY POLICE OR THE COMPUTER HELP DESK FOR WEATHER-RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS.

PLEASE DO CALL 301-687-4000, OPTION 2, or check the FSU website at [www.frostburg.edu](http://www.frostburg.edu).

#### **Local Radio/TV Stations**

The following local radio/television stations will be notified in the event of a closing or delay:

- WFRB (105.1 FM/560 AM)
- WCBC (1270 AM/107.1 FM)
- WTBO/WRQE (1450 AM/106.1 FM)
- WVMD – The Wolf (100.1/99.9 FM)
- WDYK – Magic (100.5 FM)
- WCMD – ESPN (1230 AM)
- WDNZ – (99.5 FM)
- WMSG – (1050 AM) Oakland
- WKHJ – (104.5 FM) Oakland
- WWHQ – (92.3 FM) Oakland
- WKLP – ESPN (1390 AM) Keyser
- WQZK – (94.1 FM) Keyser
- TV: WDVM-TV Hagerstown

NOTE: If there are mixed messages in the media (one station says we’re open, another says we’re closed), call the University number (301-687-4000, option 2) for clarification. That number will always be the FINAL authority in case of confusion from other sources.

## **Activities for Life**

For info, contact AFL coordinator Amy Nazelrod at [anazelrod@frostburg.edu](mailto:anazelrod@frostburg.edu) or 301-687-7934, or visit [www.frostburg.edu/events/afl](http://www.frostburg.edu/events/afl).

### **Cordts PE Center Pool and Climbing Gym Available for Rent**

Activities for Life at FSU offers pool and climbing gym rentals for small groups and children’s birthday parties. Both spaces are rented hourly and are available for rent on **Saturdays and Sundays** throughout the academic year.

The FSU pool is an Olympic-size pool with a separate diving well. The total number of participants for a pool rental is generally 50 swimmers. Staffing of two lifeguards is included with each rental.

The FSU climbing gym features a bouldering cave, six top ropes and three lead climbs. Four certified climbing wall instructors are present per rental. Climbing gym rentals are limited to 10 participants.

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## Water Aerobics

Two sessions of water aerobics will be offered **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 6:40 to 7:30 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center swimming pool. Session 1 will be held **from Jan. 30 through March 15** (with no class on **March 8**) and Session 2 **from March 27 through May 10**. Participants may register for the Tuesday or Thursday class or both nights.

This class is geared toward those who want to increase cardiovascular fitness, flexibility and body strength. It is the perfect activity for those with painful joints or other movement limitations. Water aerobics creates good muscle balance, making the muscles limber and strong.

## Youth Swimming Lessons

Four sessions of youth swimming lessons for children ages 4 to 13 years will be offered **Mondays and Wednesdays** in the Cordts PE Center swimming pool. The first session will take place **from Feb. 5 through 21**, the second **from Feb. 26 through March 14**, the third **from March 26 through April 11** and the fourth **from April 16 through May 2**. Session 1 lessons will be held from 6:40 to 7:30 p.m., and Session 2, 3 and 4 lessons will be held from 6 to 6:50 p.m.

Youth swimming instruction is separated into skill levels based on the child's swimming ability when enrolling in the class.

## Beginner's and Basic Tumbling Classes

Two sessions of a beginner's tumbling class for children ages 3 and 4 and a basic tumbling class for children ages 5 to 8 years will be offered in room 106 of the Cordts PE Center. Both sessions will take place on **Thursdays**, Session 1 **from Feb. 8 through March 8** and Session 2 **from March 29 through April 26**. The beginner's class will be held from 5 to 5:50 p.m., and the basic class will be from 6 to 6:50 p.m.

The beginner's class will focus on skills like stretching, forward and backward rolls, cartwheels and handstands.

The basic class will introduce handstands, backbend kick-overs, front walkovers and round-offs and will even start to work on back handsprings. New skills will be incorporated with games and activities.

The payment deadline is **Monday, Feb. 5**, for Session 1 and **Monday, March 26**, for Session 2.

## FSU-TV3

### Did You Know FSU-TV3 Has Its Own Cable Channel?



FSU-TV3 is available on Comcast channel 3 on campus and in Frostburg, Mount Savage and Lonaconing. The channel offers a variety of programming, so tune in to see what's on!

For programming information, log on to [www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/programming](http://www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/programming).

Follow FSU-TV3 on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/FSUTV3>, Twitter at <https://twitter.com/fsutv3> and Instagram at <https://instagram.com/fsutv3>.

## Study Abroad

### Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?



Jessica Smith in France (summer 2017)

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. There are also exchange programs available that allow students to pay FSU tuition prices.

For info, contact Sarah Heilig at 301-687-4747 or [seheilig@frostburg.edu](mailto:seheilig@frostburg.edu).

## Student Life

### Edgewood Commons Contracting for Spring 2018

Edgewood Commons is accepting applications for the spring semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. All the information about Edgewood Commons is available at [www.edgewoodFSU.com](http://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 find out more about Edgewood Commons, call 301-689-1370.



## Community

### ‘Share Your Love’ Art Event to Benefit Allegany County Animal Shelter



A “Share Your Love” art event to benefit the Allegany County Animal Shelter will be held from **Saturday, Feb. 3, through Saturday, Feb. 24**, at Sadie’s, 87 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The show’s opening will take place on **Feb. 3** from 3 to 7 p.m. Gallery hours are 4 to 8 p.m. on **Wednesdays**, 4 to 9 p.m. on **Fridays** and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on **Saturdays**.

Art by local artists, unique furniture items and other oddities will be sold by silent auction or offered at “buy it today” special prices.

For info or to donate, call 407-721-4595 or email [sadiesinfrostburg@gmail.com](mailto:sadiesinfrostburg@gmail.com).

## 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.

**Make sure your family has a fire escape plan.**

**Practice it twice a year.**



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### 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.