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Renowned graphic designer Kit Hinrichs will present a free lecture in the University Union's Hinde Auditorium from 4 to 6 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 7. He will present a series of case studies from his career to illustrate his unique approach to narrative design. Hinrichs' work is on display in the Library Gallery through Nov. 15.

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Tickets available for

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E-Waste

E-waste, also known as e-scrap, includes monitors, CPUs, laptops, mice, printers, speakers, keyboards, keyboard trays, copiers, fax machines, televisions, radios, shredders, microwave ovens, telephones, pagers, VCR's, DVD players—almost anything with a cord. It also includes CD's, DVD'S and floppy disks.

If an electronic item is still useable and in good shape, contact the property and receiving manager at 278-6015 for pick-up

instructions.

To recycle e-scrap, paperwork must be submitted with the Property and Receiving Department to remove items with yellow property stickers from the campus inventory. Visit www.csus.edu/aba/forms/Equipt_Turn_In.pdf for a turn-in request form.

Once the item has been removed from inventory, submit a [service request online](http://www.fm.csus.edu/Service_Request.htm) at www.fm.csus.edu/Service_Request.htm to have your e-scrap item picked up by Moving Services at no charge.

If your department generates a large amount of e-scrap, call 278-5801 to learn how to palletize it.

Any gauge and type of wire and cable is recyclable. Submit a service request online for pick up at http://www.fm.csus.edu/Service_Request.htm.

For more information, visit the "Sacramento State Recycles" website at <http://www.fm.csus.edu/iwm/>.

Inaugural men's basketball hall of fame induction & tip-off banquet

The inaugural Sacramento State Men's Basketball Hall of Fame Induction and Tip-Off Banquet will take place Thursday, Oct. 30, at 5:30 p.m. at the Alumni Center on the south end of campus. The social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., and the program starts at 6:30 p.m.

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High school students and parents visit campus

Sacramento State played host to hundreds of high school students curious about the college experience on Saturday, Sept. 27.

The students were on campus for Preview Day, an annual event sponsored by the campus to give students and their parents an opportunity to see first-hand what college is like and to talk with faculty, staff members and college students.

"I was able to get information on the majors I'm interested in," says Quynn Meyers-Keller, a student at Ponderosa High School in Shingle Springs. "You get a lot of information you wouldn't by just going online or asking someone."

Activities included information sessions about the university, financial aid, housing and admission to the school. It also included tours of the campus and dozens of information booths staffed by members of the different departments and colleges on campus.

"I found out a lot of things today, like what I need to do for financial aid and what classes to take in order to get into a major," says Nichole Norton, a student at Woodcreek High School in Roseville. "I want to teach history and I found a booth with people who teach history. That was great and I think I got all my questions answered today."

There were about 1,800 participants here for Preview Day according to Barbara Sloan, Sacramento State associate director of admissions and outreach. She said it was the best turnout since the program began in 2006.

"This time of year, students are looking at campuses and trying to make an informed decision about what school they would like to attend," says Sloan. "We hope we have influenced a lot of them. We'll find out soon. October 1 is the first day to register for the fall semester."

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University students with an interest in communications, education and English language instruction as well as international travel and cultures are encouraged to attend an informational meeting to learn more about the Chitralada Royal Palace School in Bangkok, Thailand on Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 1 p.m. in Sequoia Hall 142.

This marks the fourth year that the Chitralada Royal Palace School had requested Sacramento State students to assist in their English language program, a testament to the quality of Sacramento State students, according to program director and Communication Studies professor Thomas Knutson. "In previous years, two Sacramento State students, Communication Studies majors Casey Mayville and Maria Xiong, were honored with 'Teacher of the Year' awards at Chitralada."

Participating students will be employed as guest teachers at the Chitralada Royal Palace School situated within the grounds of one of the royal residences in Bangkok. Besides the excitement of traveling overseas, students will be provided round-trip airfare, a \$400 monthly salary, room and board, opportunities to earn additional income by undertaking evening tutoring and the ability to travel within Thailand during free time.

Interested students are urged to attend the informational meeting. Applications and additional information are available in the Communication Studies and English offices. For more information, contact Knutson at 278-6941.

Gods look for a good person in University's 'The Good Woman of Setzuan'

Sacramento State professor and director Richard Bay will bring his life-long passion for theater puppetry to Bertolt Brecht's *The Good Woman of Setzuan*, Oct. 16-19 and 22-26 in the University Theatre.

Actors will share the stage with life-size puppets created by Bay and his students.

The play focuses on Shen Te, a prostitute who is selected by three gods as the one good person on earth. Despite her efforts to lead a decent life, Shen Te is still set upon by her friends and neighbors, and must resort to masquerading as a male alter ego named Shui Ta to survive.

The gods and Shen Te's alter ego will be depicted by puppets. While Shui Ta is usually expressed by having the lead actress don a mask, Bay opted for a grotesque, life-size puppet that she will operate, enabling the audience to still see the true emotions of Shen Te while the rest of the actors react to her alter ego.

Bay's previous works at Sacramento State have incorporated puppetry, which has a rich tradition in the history of theater. "Some people say it was the first theater," Bay says, noting that remnants of large, jointed figures have been found in the pyramids and among Mayan and Aztec ruins.

He also brings that tradition out into the community. Some of his students are performing *Peter and the Wolf* for children at venues around the city.

Bay became interested in puppetry as a child. When he needed a job while attending college, Bay started doing puppetry for a children's recreation program. It was then he decided he could take his craft even farther and began creating puppet programs for adults, eventually doing his master's thesis on people and puppets.

He did a children's puppet video about river conservation for the state Fish and Game Department and has more puppet videos lined up in conjunction with people from the B Street Theatre.

Puppets aren't the only innovations Bay is bringing to *Good Woman*. The play has always had songs, but Sacramento State alumnus Christopher Cook has re-written them and created a whole score for the production that will be performed on stage by a rock band.

Bay has cast 32 performers in the production. Jennifer Ly plays Shen Te and Dexter Galang is the male lead, Wang.

The play was written between 1938 and 1943, but still has great relevance, Bay says, dealing with graft, corruption and ill morals. "How can anyone really be truly good? That's kind of what the play is examining."

Performances are at 8 p.m., Oct. 16-18, 24 and 25; at 2 p.m., Oct. 19 and 26; and at 6:30 p.m., Oct. 22 and 23. Tickets are \$5 for children 11 and younger and \$8 general admission for the 6:30 p.m. shows. All other performances are \$8 for children, \$10 for students, seniors and Sacramento State employees, and \$12 general admission. Tickets are available at Sacramento State's Ticket Office, 278-4323 or www.tickets.com.

For more information, go to www.csus.edu/dram/ or call 278-6368.

Professor running strong for a cause

Sacramento State physical therapy Professor Clare Lewis recently overcame her apprehension of running long distances by participating in The Lean Horse Run in Hot Springs, South Dakota. She and her brother, Eric Lewis, ran for a cause that was personal to both of them: pancreatic cancer.

Their sister-in-law, Kyung Lewis, died from pancreatic cancer last summer. "She was an incredibly beautiful woman and it's a great loss. It's so sad, she was really still so young," Lewis says of her sister-in-law.

It's not the first time that the family has experienced such loss. Eric Lewis' father-in-law, Kenneth Schulz, also died recently from the same cancer, and the passing of two people Eric was close to was inspiration to run for their cause and in their memory.

Lewis ran the last half of the run, while her brother ran the full 100 miles. The siblings decided to run the Lean Horse for the Pancreatica organization and earned more than \$1,000 in donations.

Lewis intended to run in long distance marathons and had never run anything longer than 26.2 miles. The run was an exercise in endurance. "It's definitely given me a better appreciation for what you have to do to get your body to do these endurance activities," Lewis said.

The experience also revealed the importance of family to the brother and sister.

"It was a really neat bonding time between my brother and me," Lewis says. To keep Eric's mind off the blisters he achieved during the run, Lewis ended up opening up a lot more to her younger brother than she intended.

Lewis says she previously couldn't imagine why anyone would run such long distances but the experience has inspired her to participate in more such events in the future. She has signed for several more fundraising runs, one of which is for pancreatic cancer. Lewis hopes to raise awareness about pancreatic cancer, which, despite being one of the deadliest, receives the least research and prevention funding, she says.

"As I hear about more and more people getting it, it just seems to me there's got to be a reason for this," Lewis says. "There's got to be a mechanism out there that we really aren't exploring very well right now that could at least help with earlier detection."

Each year more than 30,000 people in America are diagnosed with a version of pancreatic cancer. However, it's still considered a lesser-occurring cancer and therefore gets less funding, according to the Pancreatica organization's website.

Recently, pancreatic cancer has received more press due to celebrities such as Patrick Swayze and Randy Pausch, who have been diagnosed with the disease. Lewis hopes more celebrity support will increase awareness and research for treatment.

For more information contact Lewis at 278-5049 or email her at lewisc@csus.edu.

Faculty Senate

Monday, Oct. 6

2-3 p.m. – Committee on Diversity and Equity – California Suite, University Union

3-4:30 p.m. – General Education Policies/Graduation Requirements Committee, Sacramento Hall 275

Tuesday, Oct. 7

1:30-2:50 p.m. – Curriculum Policies Committee, Sacramento Hall 275

3- 5 p.m. – Livingston Lecture – Jackie Donath (2008 recipient) - University Ballroom

Wednesday, Oct. 8

9-10 a.m. – Writing and Reading Subcommittee – Camellia Room, University Union

3-4:30 p.m. – General Education Course Review Subcommittee – Sacramento Hall 275

Professional Activities

Scholarship

Kevan Shafizadeh, Civil Engineering, **Tim Marbach**, Mechanical Engineering, **Rob Wassmer**, Public Policy and Administration, and **Virginia Matzek**, Environmental Studies, were panelists for the "Car of the Future" film discussion, held Sept. 18, as part of Sacramento State's Constitution Week. The panel provided multidisciplinary perspectives in addressing audience questions following the film, highlighting how public policy shapes technology, environment, and economic considerations for the car of the future.

Linda Nowell, Teacher Education, participated in a panel discussion on "Processing and Conveying the Teacher's Intent in K-12 Settings" at the Region V Conference for Interpreters for the Deaf held recently in Sacramento.

Wesley Hussey, Government, led a discussion for the "Congress and the Constitution: The Founders' Intent" event during Sacramento State's Constitution Week. This event was an open seminar discussing the constitutional origins of Congress's powers and responsibilities. The talk also focused on distinctions between explicit and implied powers.

Campus Announcements

Discussions about education

"Courageous Conversations about General Education and Graduation Requirements," takes place from 1 to 2:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 16, in the University Union Summit Room.

This is the second of three events focusing on education issues. The series culminates with a reception honoring all faculty teaching courses within the general education program from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 17, in the University Center Restaurant in the University Union. The events are co-sponsored by the Faculty Senate and Academic Affairs.

The campus community—permanent and temporary faculty, staff and students—are welcome and encouraged to participate in these important discussions. For more information, contact Janet Hecsh at jhecsh@csus.edu.

Submitted by the College of Education

Technology assisted classroom orientation

An orientation session will be held for instructors teaching in the traditional "smart" classrooms or the new Technology Assisted classrooms (SQU 301, SQU 316, or BNC 1025) this fall to explain the new technology in these classrooms. The sessions will teach participants to connect either Windows or Macintosh laptops to the video projector; playback a DVD, VHS tape or campus TV; switch video sources between laptops, desktop computers, DVD/VCR players, or document camera; adjust the volume; turn closed-captioning on or off; understand what cables are needed to connect laptops; and learn how to report a problem or request assistance.

Register for sessions at <http://www.csus.edu/training>.

The Smart Classroom orientation will be held from 2 to 4 p.m., Friday, Oct. 17, at AIRC 1009.

The Technology Assisted Classroom orientation will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, at BNC 1025.

Submitted by Information Resources and Technology

Conference to reduce health disparities

The third annual Community/Campus Collaborative Conference to address Disparities in Cancer Prevention, Control and Care in all populations through translational research will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10. The conference will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott Midtown and is sponsored by the Sacramento State/UC Davis Cancer Center Partnership and the UC Davis Clinical and Translational Science Center. Sacramento State faculty and students are invited to attend.

For more information, visit <http://www.csus.edu/research/collaborations/cancer/index.htm>.

Submitted by Research Administration

Thesis and project binding available

Because of many requests for a convenient way to purchase hard-bound, extra copies of theses, the Copy Graphics Center now offers hardback binding services. While this service does not replace original thesis materials submitted through the Office of Graduate Studies, it does offer students a way to get extra copies of their theses professionally bound for their personal use.

The Copy Graphics Center is located near the Patio Cafe in the River Front Center and is open from 7:45 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays. The Copy Graphics Center is a service of University Enterprises, Inc. For more information, call 278-6960.

Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

National student survey available

The National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) collects data from students at universities around the country to assess the extent to which students engage in a variety of educationally effective activities associated with learning and development.

At Sacramento State, 3,956 students were randomly selected to participate in this survey; 2,180 of those were first-year freshmen and 1,776 were seniors. Subsequently, 1,019 students (476 freshmen and 543 seniors) completed their surveys for an overall response rate of 26 percent.

The results for the 2008 NSSE survey are available online at www.oir.csus.edu. Click on "Reports" then "National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)."

The survey is based on the premise that the frequency with which students engage in effective educational practices is a direct correlation to the quality of the educational experience.

Submitted by the Office of Institutional Research

Pirate Ghost Ship

Peak Adventures will present its fifth annual Pirate Ghost Ship Spooktacular from 7 to 10 p.m., Oct. 30 and 31. The Challenge Center will be transformed into a pirate ghost ship, complete with a haunted house, maze, and carnival games for children. Participants are invited to try the barnacle wall and cargo net.

Open to all ages, the Spooktacular costs \$2 for Sac State students, \$4 for faculty and staff and \$5 for the general public. Tickets are available at the door.

The event is sponsored by Peak Adventures, Recreational Sports, KSSU, Air Force ROTC, Student Activities, UNIQUE and Associated Students. The Challenge Center is located behind Yosemite Hall. Free parking is available in Student Lot 1.

Submitted by Peak Adventures

Unsold textbooks to be returned

The Hornet Bookstore will begin returning unsold textbooks to publishers beginning Oct. 13.

Teachers are asked to inform their students so those who still need to purchase a textbook can do so before they are returned.

Teachers who have textbooks that will not be used until later in the semester are asked to contact the Textbook Department so the book can be retained. Teachers who will be using the same textbook(s) for winter session or spring 2009, are asked to submit their requisition at this time so the bookstore can hold on to the textbooks for the next term. Include the course number, section number, approximate enrollment and whether the book is required or recommended.

E-mail correspondence to textbooks@fndmail.csus.edu.

Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore

Focus on Iran

This year's One Book author, Firoozeh Dumas, who will visit the campus on Wednesday, Oct. 15, has frequently expressed the hope that her book, *Funny in Farsi: A Memoir of Growing Up Iranian in America*, will help Americans see beyond the limited, and frequently negative, portrayal of Iran and Iranians. This is also a goal of Sacramento State's Iranian and Middle Eastern Studies Center (IMESC <http://www.csus.edu/imesc/>) in the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies. The One Book Program has partnered with IMESC this year to create a free community series focusing on the history, culture and politics of Iran.

"The History of Iran from the Ancient to the Modern," a lecture and discussion by professor Afshin Marashi, History Department, will be presented from 3 to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 7, in the Library Gallery.

"U.S.-Iran Relations in Historical Perspective," a lecture and discussion by Professor Bahman (Buzz) Fozouni, Government Department, will be presented from noon to 1:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 23, in the Library Gallery.

A Concert of Classical Persian Music will be presented at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1, in the Capistrano Hall Music Recital Hall.

For all One Book Program events please visit: www.csus.edu/onebook.

Submitted by the Community Engagement Center

"Friends" book discussion

Another One Book event will be presented by the Friends of the Library. The group will lead a free community book discussion on *Funny in Farsi*, by Firoozeh Dumas. The discussion will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 8, in the University Library Room 5006.

Submitted by the Community Engagement Center

"Who Is an American?"

The "Who is an American?" film series, co-hosted by the Multi-Cultural Center and the One Book Program, will show two films in October. The series, presented by Hellen Lee-Keller, English, will screen *Lana's Rain* on Friday, Oct. 17, and *Saving Face* on Wednesday, Oct. 29. The films will be screened in Library 1010. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with a 5:45 p.m. showtime. A discussion follows each screening.

Submitted by the Community Engagement Center

Writing strategy workshop

Writing Across the Curriculum invites you to attend a campus-wide workshop focused on simple strategies to increase student writing while decreasing your own workload using "writing to learn" assignments.

The workshop will be held from noon to 1:15 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 22, in the University Union's California Suite. RSVP to melzer@csus.edu or 278-6925.

Submitted by the English Department

Calaveras Station accepting submissions for 2009

Calaveras Station, Sacramento State's literary journal, is accepting submissions of original poetry, short fiction, creative nonfiction and critical analysis for possible inclusion in the May 2009 issue of the annual journal. Any currently enrolled University student may submit, with a maximum of three submissions per category. Submission deadline is Friday, Oct. 17. Students should submit three printed copies of each manuscript in 12 pt. font, and each copy should contain the title of the work only—no author's name, in MLA format. No electronic submissions will be accepted. For more information and submission details, visit www.csus.edu/govt/Pages/Call-for-Submissions.doc or contact Trina Drotar at tld52@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by the Department of History

Human Resources

Holiday reminder

The day after Thanksgiving, Friday, Nov. 28, is a workday for all non-academic year employees. The campus will be open for limited intra-campus business, but not to the public. It also is anticipated that the University Union and University Enterprises, Inc., will be closed that day, so no food services will be available on campus. Human Resources officials hope that, unless work is scheduled for them, employees will request the use of vacation time, accrued compensating time off or their personal holidays for that Friday.

Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24, also is a workday for everyone except academic year employees, and the campus will be open primarily for intra-campus business. It is hoped the governor will continue the tradition of a gift of four hours of administrative leave to state workers which may be used Dec. 24 and allow the campus to close at noon.

Friday, Jan. 2, 2009, is also a workday. We anticipate limited campus services available that day.

The campus will be closed Tuesday, November 11, to observe Veterans Day.

Open enrollment reminder

Open enrollment continues through Oct. 24. During that period, employees can make changes, without a qualifying event, to their benefit plans. Changes include medical, dental, vision, flexible spending accounts (HCRA/DCRA) and flexcash programs. For more information, visit the Benefits Office webpage at www.csus.edu/hr/benefits and click on the announcements link.

If you have questions regarding benefits or open enrollment, contact the Benefits Office at 278-6213.

Catastrophic leave donation program

Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 40 hours of sick or vacation leave credits each fiscal year in one-hour increments. Bargaining Units 1, 8, 10 and 11 may only donate up to 16 hours per fiscal year. If employees are interested in donating time, a donation form can be obtained at www.csus.edu/hr/forms.htm#Disability, or by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Sacramento Hall 162, or by calling 278-3522.

The following employees have been approved for the Catastrophic Leave Donation Program:

*Toni Johnson, Financial Aid
Scott Flack, Facilities Management
Nancy Hackbart, Career Center
Mary Ann Alvarez, Nursing
Carolyn Ann Hollahan, Academic Information Resource Center

*only vacation credits may be donated to this employee

On the Job with the Integrated Waste and Moving Services

What do people think you do?

"Run the recycling program."

What do you really do?

"I run the integrated waste and recycling programs. I like to look in our trash bins around campus and find ways to recycle items that we couldn't in the past. I am also the manager of the Moving Services crew. Summer is Moving Service's busiest time, because many people want to swap offices or have their offices painted or remodeled, which requires moving their furniture. Lots of new furniture comes on campus in the summer, too, and the old stuff has to be moved. For example, this summer we received 700 new tablet armchairs to replace aging ones. I try to find second homes for the old chairs with schools or non-profit organizations. My favorite thing to do is speak to campus groups about our recycling program."

Describe your office.

"We have a small office in the back of the Facilities yard that houses four movers, one or two student assistants and me. I have a window overlooking the trash, green waste and metal roll-off bins, which is fun because if I see someone tossing something recyclable in the trash, I can open the window and say, 'Hey, that can be recycled!'"

What surprises people?

"That our paper recycling is 'Supermix' and we can include clasp and window envelopes, phone books, glossy paper and copy paper wrappers in our blue desk-side recycling bins. Also, I think people are delighted that we diverted 83.7% of our waste from the landfill in 2007. And we do a lot of recycling behind the scenes that people don't know about like our tires, carpet and concrete rubble."

What is your biggest challenge?

"My biggest challenge is getting people to visit the very informative integrated waste/recycling website at www.fm.csus.edu/iwm (or click on the yellow recycling button on the Facilities home page). We are doing so much at Sac State, and the website tells you what we are doing and what you can do to help. A current challenge is that lately I'm seeing cardboard in the trash dumpsters, which surprises me because there's always a cardboard recycling dumpster right next to it. We all should really make an effort to put cardboard in the recycling dumpsters because money earned on it offsets our trash bill a small amount."

What do you get asked the most?

"'Can we get a toner and ink cartridge collection box for our office?' The answer is yes, or there may be one already near you. Just call us to find out. The other question I get asked is, 'How do we recycle our electronic waste?' Guess where you can find the answer to that one? On the website."

This Week in Hornet Action

Football

No games scheduled

Men's soccer

Friday, Oct. 10

Sacramento State at UNLV, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 12

Sacramento State at New Mexico, 1 p.m.

Women's soccer

Friday, Oct. 10

Sacramento State at Northern Arizona, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 12,
Sacramento State vs. Northern Colorado, 2:30 p.m.

Volleyball

Tuesday, Oct. 7
Sacramento State at Nevada, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 10
Sacramento State vs. Montana, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 11,
Sacramento State at Montana State, 7 p.m.

Cross country

Friday, Oct. 10
Sacramento State at the Gator Invitational, San Francisco, Calif.

Men's Golf

Monday, Oct. 6-Tuesday Oct. 7
Sacramento State at the Wolf Pack Classic, Reno, Nev.