

September 5, 2017

# Mark your calendars: Science Complex groundbreaking is Sept. 18

President Robert S. Nelsen and Provost Ching-Hua Wang invite you to the Science Complex Ceremonial Groundbreaking at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 18, in Serna Plaza. A Science Showcase featuring demonstrations by our science students will follow.

Help us celebrate the University's first new academic building since the Academic Information Resource Center opened, and learn how Sac State is transforming science education in the Sacramento region and beyond. RSVP to Shari Gonzales at 278-4740 or gonzales@csus.edu by Friday, Sept. 8.

Submitted by University Communications

# Welcome Dean Joanna Mott to the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

It is with great pleasure that the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics introduces its new dean, Dr. Joanna Mott. Please join us in welcoming her at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, at Epicure Restaurant. Dean Mott joins NSM at a time of significant transition as the University moves forward with building the new Science Complex. Submitted by the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

# One World Initiative Theme: 'Global Perspectives on Community'

The One World Initiative invites the campus and Sacramento communities to "go global" this year with a series of curricular and co-curricular activities focused on a significant interdisciplinary concept. The 2017-18 One World theme is "Global Perspectives on Community." It will provide a window into profound questions about cooperation, networks, and belonging that cross disciplines and find expression in myriad forms.

The campus community is invited to incorporate the theme into courses, public events, and student activities, and to partner with the One World Initiative to develop, fund, and promote offerings that respond to student needs and interests. We also are seeking new members to join the steering committee. Faculty, staff, and students interested in participating in the One World Initiative can email the chair, Mimi Coughlin, at oneworld@csus.edu. More information can be found at csus.edu/oneworld/. Submitted by One World Initiative

### The Bagel Place now open in River Front Center

University Enterprises Inc.'s Dining Services is proud to announce the opening of a new eatery, The Bagel Place, in River Front Center. It's in the spot once occupied by RF Greens. The Bagel Place serves fresh bagels and shmears daily, along with an assortment of bagel sandwiches for breakfast and lunch. You also can "build your own" bagel sandwich. A selection of grab-and-go beverages and snacks are available, as well.

The Bagel Place has a mascot, Nutzo, a gray squirrel featured graphically throughout the eatery. For hours of operation, visit the Sac State Campus Dining website at dining.csus.edu/.

Submitted by University Enterprises Inc.

'Comedy Night with Joel Kim Booster and Friends' on Thursday

University Union UNIQUE Programs is pleased to announce "Comedy Night with Joel Kim Booster and Friends" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, in the University Union Ballroom. Parking is free after 6:30 p.m. on the top floor of Parking Structure III.

Booster has been featured on *Conan*, Comedy Central's @Midnight and *The Meltdown with Jonah and Kumail*, Bravo's *Then and Now with Andy Cohen*, and Tru TV's *Comedy Knockout*. His writing credits include *Billy on the Street* and the Comedy Central pilot *Problematic with Moshe Kasher*. Also on the bill are Sacramento-based comedians Ngaio and Daniel Humbarger, who perform regularly at Punch Line Sacramento. *Submitted by the University Union* 

#### **Staff Awards Luncheon ticket sales**

The 2017 Staff Awards Luncheon will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6, in the University Union Ballroom. Tickets are \$10 and will go on sale Tuesday, Sept. 12.

A ticket is required for each person attending the luncheon. Tables for 10 also are available. To order tickets, contact Michelle Williams at <a href="mailto:mwill@csus.edu">mwill@csus.edu</a> or 278-6685. Payment is due when reservations are made. We accept cash, checks, or a copy of the direct payment or check request form. For more information:

csus.edu/usa/events%20%20activities/lunchpreliminary.html

Submitted by the University Staff Assembly

Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Representative training offered for Fall 2017 Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Representative (AA/EOR) training sessions for faculty have been scheduled during the Fall 2017 semester for:

- Tuesday, Sept. 12, 9-11 a.m. or 1-3 p.m.
- Monday, Oct. 23, 9-11 a.m. or 1-3 p.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 2, 1-3 p.m. only

All trainings will be held in Library 11. Per the University Appointment, Retention, Tenure, and Promotion (ARTP) policy, training is required at least every three years for each AA/EOR and each department or equivalent unit chair to prepare them for their hiring responsibilities. However, all faculty are encouraged to take the training. The AA/EOR will serve to advise search committees on issues of affirmative action and equal employment opportunity, based on training and advice from the Office of Human Resources and the University Counsel. The goals of this training are to raise greater awareness of, and sensitivity to, diversity issues in the hiring process.

To RSVP, please email the Office for Equal Opportunity at <a href="equalopportunity@csus.edu">equalopportunity@csus.edu</a> and include your name, department, and the training session for which you are registering. If you have questions, you may contact the Office for Equal Opportunity at 278-5770 or <a href="equalopportunity@csus.edu">equalopportunity@csus.edu</a>.

Submitted by the Office for Equal Opportunity

#### LGBTOIA+ student welcome on Sept. 13

The PRIDE Center will host Insta-Queer, a social media-themed mixer for LGBTQIA+ people, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13, in the University Union, PRIDE Center/Women's Resource Center. For more information and to request special accommodations, email <a href="mailto:pride@csus.edu">pride@csus.edu</a>. Feel free to distribute our flier:

csus.edu/sacstatenews/briefing/documents/fall17 instaqueer.pdf.

Submitted by Centers for Diversity and Inclusion, PRIDE Center

#### Volunteer for Paint the Town! event coming Sept. 16

Join the Community Engagement Center and our partner NeighborWorks Sacramento at our next Sac State volunteer event, called Paint the Town! Participants will paint, do landscaping, build fences, and perform other exterior home repairs in the Del Paso Heights neighborhood in two shifts: 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, with a one-hour lunch break. Register online at <a href="mailto:csus.edu/cec">csus.edu/cec</a>. For more information, call 278-4610 or email <a href="mailto:cec@csus.edu">cec@csus.edu</a>.

Submitted by the Community Engagement Center

#### Workshop on faculty time spent on grants and contracts

The Office of Research Affairs and UEI-Sponsored Programs Administration will host a workshop on grant- and contract-related faculty time and effort from 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, in the UEI Board Room on the third floor of Hornet Bookstore. The workshop will cover such topics as types of effort, proposal budgeting considerations, post-award forms and procedures, and effort reporting.

To register, email <a href="mailto:sponsoredprograms@uei.csus.edu">sponsoredprograms@uei.csus.edu</a>. Space is limited. For more information on the workshop, contact your account administrator or call 278-7565. Submitted by UEI-Sponsored Programs Administration

#### Homecoming tickets for current and emeriti faculty and staff

President Robert S. and Jody Nelsen invite current and emeriti faculty, staff, and their families to the Homecoming Festival and football game Saturday, Oct. 14. The Hornets will take on the Idaho State Bengals at 6 p.m. at Hornet Stadium.

Current and emeriti faculty and staff may reserve up to four complimentary game tickets through the Homecoming website at <a href="mailto:csus.edu/homecoming/faculty-staff.html">csus.edu/homecoming/faculty-staff.html</a>. Visit <a href="csus.edu/homecoming">csus.edu/homecoming</a> for more information on all Homecoming Week activities. Stingers up!

Submitted by University Advancement

#### Homecoming Golf Cart Parade on Oct. 14

Sac State's annual Homecoming Golf Cart Parade is back and bigger than ever. Sign up to decorate your golf cart for a chance to win the grand prize trophy and yearlong bragging rights. Golf Cart Parade participants will take part in the Hornet Walk during the Oct. 14 Homecoming Festival and loop around the Hornet Stadium track at halftime.

To join the fun, contact Gladys Glaude at <a href="mailto:gladysg@csus.edu">gladysg@csus.edu</a> or (916) 278-4952. Visit <a href="mailto:csus.edu/homecoming">csus.edu/homecoming</a> for more information. Stingers up! Submitted by University Advancement

#### Nominations welcomed for honorary doctorate recipients

Sacramento State's honorary degrees selection committee invites nominations for honorary doctorates that will be conferred during the 2018 Spring Commencement ceremonies.

The CSU awards honorary doctorates to individuals who have demonstrated excellence in areas that benefit humanity, CSU campuses, the state, the nation, and/or the world. Recipients serve as examples to be recognized and honored for their exemplary contributions.

Submit a nomination at <a href="mailto:csus.edu/commencement/honorarydoctorate">csus.edu/commencement/honorarydoctorate</a>. The deadline to submit a nomination is Thursday, Sept. 28. The University's selection committee will begin reviewing nominations in early October for the 2017-18 academic year. Submitted by University Advancement

### **TEDxCSUS** coming to Sac State in November

TEDxCSUS, an independently organized TED event, will hold its inaugural session from 1 to 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, in the University Union. Networking and dialogue will revolve around the theme "Boomerang: What Goes Around, Comes Around," with as many as 10 diverse speakers discussing how they shot their personal "boomerang" across the world and the effect it had. TEDxCSUS will emphasize the importance of empowering each other and allowing that support to "come back around" to our region.

Tickets are \$100, and seating is limited. To apply to attend, and to learn more about the event: <u>TEDxCSUS.com</u>. Follow us on social media as well. Submitted by the College of Business Administration

# 2017-18 Research and Creative Activity (RCA) Faculty Awards Recipients

The Research and Creative Activity Subcommittee and the Office of Research Affairs are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2017-18 Research and Creative Activity (RCA) Faculty Awards Program. The RCA program is funded in part through the CSU Chancellor's Office and Academic Affairs, and is administered by the Faculty Senate Subcommittee on Research and Creative Activity with support from the Office of Research Affairs. This year, 37 research proposals from a variety of disciplines were funded at a maximum of \$7,500 per award. Visit <a href="mailto:csus.edu/dev/managed/academic-affairs-dev/17-18-rca-awardees">csus.edu/dev/managed/academic-affairs-dev/17-18-rca-awardees</a> for the full list of the awards.

Also, there will be a competition this fall for academic year 2018-19. More details will be announced very soon. For questions, please contact <a href="mailto:rca@csus.edu">rca@csus.edu</a>. Congratulations to all awardees!

Submitted by the Office of Research Affairs and the RCA Subcommittee

#### Call for participants: Faculty Scholarship (and Peer Review) Communities

The Office of Research Affairs invites faculty participants for a pilot series of cross-disciplinary Faculty Scholarship (and Peer Review) Communities (FSCs). This pilot initiative is designed to support faculty who are conducting research and scholarly activity by providing venues where faculty can come together across disciplines to engage with a shared topic, interest, or pursuit, and to offer peer review and advising on research projects. Each FSC will enroll five to 20 faculty members and meet biweekly or monthly throughout the 2017-18 academic year. The aim of the FSCs is to offer a yearlong collegial atmosphere of mutual professional development and support that will assist members in meeting their individual writing and research goals.

For a detailed list of FSCs, visit <a href="mailto:csus.edu/dev/managed/academic-affairs-dev">csus.edu/dev/managed/academic-affairs-dev</a>. To register, go to <a href="mailto:csus.infoready4.com">csus.infoready4.com</a>. The deadline to register is 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13. Questions? Contact Nancy Sweet at <a href="mailto:nsweet@csus.edu">nsweet@csus.edu</a>. Submitted by the Office of Research Affairs

#### Application period opens for CTL's Faculty and Professional Learning Program

The Center for Teaching and Learning is accepting applications for the Faculty and Professional Learning Community Program. The titles are:

- Equity and Student Success: Inclusive Teaching for Diverse Learners
- Maker Spaces: Interdisciplinary Collaboration in Action
- Technology and Teaching: Canvas and Beyond
- Course Redesign for "Difficult" Courses: Improving Learning and Pass Rates for Bottleneck and Courses with High DFW Grades
- Service Learning: Novice and Advanced Options

For more, including how to apply, visit <u>bit.ly/ctl-flc-plc</u>. Submitted by the Center for Teaching and Learning

#### **University Library's new website is online**

Thanks to your design feedback, the University Library launched a new website this summer. The site has a new look that is brighter and more welcoming. It is responsive for mobile devices and tablets. The Library has also launched an improved search interface. Visit the new website at <a href="mailto:library.csus.edu">library.csus.edu</a>. Submitted by the University Library

Friends of the Library's Book Bin is open

Friends of the Library operates the Book Bin on the University Library's lower level Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays during the first full week and third week of each month. Book Bin hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Gently used hardback and trade paperback books are \$2 each or three for \$5. Mass paperbacks are \$1 each. You'll also find artwork, musical scores, audio recordings, and long-playing records for sale. Cash or checks only.

The Book Bin is open this week, Wednesday through Friday (Sept. 6-8). Come in and browse. All proceeds support the University Library. Submitted by Friends of the Library

#### Football program seeks student videographers for 2017 season

The Hornet football program is seeking students to film practices and games, beginning immediately. The position is voluntary. This would be a tremendous opportunity for anyone who is interested in sports video or hoping to break into collegiate athletics. Students' primary duties would be to film practices and games, assist with card drops, and occasionally help with input and transfer of video into our computer system.

Interested students need to be reliable and punctual. During the regular season, practices generally run from 8 to 10 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday, and walk-throughs generally are at 6 p.m. The position begins immediately. Those interested may contact Justin Lantz at (304) 851-2733 or <a href="mailto:justin.lantz@csus.edu">justin.lantz@csus.edu</a>. Submitted by Sacramento State Football

# Faculty professional activities

The latest faculty professional activities are available at <a href="mailto:csus.edu/news/articles/Professional-activities">csus.edu/news/articles/Professional-activities</a> activities.

Submitted by University Communications

#### **Faculty Senate schedule**

The Faculty Senate calendar is available at csus.edu/senate.

# **Human Resources**

# **Catastrophic leave donation**

Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 40 hours of sick or vacation leave credits in one-hour increments each fiscal year. Bargaining Units 1, 10 and 11 may donate only up to 16 hours per fiscal year. If employees are interested in donating time, a form can be obtained at <a href="mailto:csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability">csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability</a> by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Del Norte Hall, Suite 3004, or by calling 278-3522.

The Benefits Office currently has the following employee on an approved CAT Leave:

• Shene Ogbe – Housing Coordinator's Office (vacation only)