



FALL ACTIVITIES

With the semester well underway, it has been exciting to see a full slate of activities and programming led by our academic departments and student groups. These have included recurring events, such as "Pizza and Politics," "Python and Pizza," lectures and films presented by El Conuco, and the "Math in" series; events that celebrate the work of our OW faculty, such as the reading to launch Dr. Nick Powers' compelling new novel *Thirst*; and events that bring exciting external speakers to campus, including the Common Read with author Ross Gay and the PEL/CSLI co-sponsored event with Pulitzer Prize-Winning Journalist Bill Dedman--to name just a few.

Thank you to everyone who has organized or participated in these programs; they play an important role in the holistic development of our students. I hope to see you there!

Cheryl A. Wilson
Dean, School of Arts & Sciences

GALLERY OPENING RECEPTION
SEPT. 2022



Upcoming SAS Events

AMELIE A. WALLACE GALLERY

On the Street: The Extraordinary Vision of Sook Jin Jo
October 28 - December 1

Opening Reception
Wednesday, Nov. 2, 4:00pm

Conversation with the Artist
Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1:00-2:30pm

Python and Pizza - Web scraping
Wednesday, Nov 2, 5:40pm – 7:00pm
ON CAMPUS with Pizza NAB 2034

The Math in The Panther Pantry
Thursday, Nov. 10, 2:40pm, NAB 2034

Zoom Python and Pizza - Visualizations
Thursday, Dec 8, 5:40pm – 7:00pm

Upcoming SAS Events

EL CONUCO PRESENTS

The Hurricanes of Colonialism and Betrayal of Puerto Rico, R 11/3, 3:50 Zoom (Meeting ID 475 162 3998)
T 11/8, 3:50, NAB 1100

The Job of A Translator
W 11/9, 1:00 ZOOM (Meeting ID 475 162 3998)

Geopolitics of the World Disorder
W 11/16, 3:50 ZOOM (Meeting ID 475 162 3998)

The Afro-Andalusian Caribbean: Round-Trip 'Cantes' and Rhythms
R 12/1, 3:50 NAB 1100

For more information contact: Dr. Angel Lara
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Thank You

Special Thanks to the Lab Services Staff - Eric Doucet, Rita Reddy, Nikki Rodgers and to the faculty teaching lab courses in Biology, Chemistry, and Physics for working together to ensure our students have robust lab experiences despite staffing challenges this fall.

Faculty News

Kyle Anderson (History) presented his research on the Egyptian Labor Corps in Ypres, Belgium on the occasion of the opening of a new exhibit on the Middle East during the First World War at the In Flanders Fields Museum.

Laura Anker (American Studies, Emerita) has been named to the New York State Institute for Immigrant Integration Research and Policy.

Solomon Chak (Biology) et al. recently published an article in the *Journal of Heredity* titled "Demographic inference provides insights into the extirpation and ecological dominance of eusocial snapping shrimps."

Veronika Dolar (PEL) was interviewed for the NPR podcast "The Indicator from Planet Money" to talk about how we measure economic growth. Her article on the minimum wage was also republished in *The Conversation* in connection to California's new fast food law that is expected to lead to a higher minimum wage for the industry in the state.

Fred Fleisher (Visual Arts) has a solo exhibition "Tomorrow's People Somewhere" on view at RAM Gallery (Renate Albertsen-Martón Gallery) in Brooklyn.

Rahwa Haile (Public Health) co-authored "Anticipation of police brutality and depressed mood among women" with S. Alang, M. Mitsdarffer, and C. Van Hook. *Journal for Racial and Ethnic Studies* (2022).

Faculty News

Rahwa Haile (Public Health) co-authored "Hazards of anti-Blackness in the United States" with T. Rowell-Cunsolo and M. Bellerose in *International Journal of Social Welfare* (2022).

Patty Harris (Visual Arts) has a public art commission and residency at Folly Fields. The Folly Fields Residency is a joint program between Millay Arts and Hawthorne Valley Farm. She will be creating a site-specific, permanent installation at the Farm as well as conducting community workshops.

Deepa Jani (English) published "Frantz Fanon: Postcoloniality and New Humanism" in *The Routledge Companion for Humanism and Literature*, edited by Michael Bryson, Routledge.

Deepa Jani (English) published "Chinua Achebe's Things Fall Apart: Literary Humanism and the Question of Human Dignity," *Research in African Literatures*, Indiana University Press.

Deepa Jani (English) attended the Institute for World Literature, Summer School Program, organized by Harvard University, at Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germany.

Shijian Li (Public Health) co-authored "A comprehensive narrative review of real-world COVID-19 vaccines: viewpoints and opportunities" with S. Liu, M. Kang, N. Zhao, and T. Song in *Medical Review* (2022).

Faculty News

Joseph Manfredi (American Studies/Media & Communications) instructor and station director for OWWR, Old Westbury Web Radio, was inducted into The WCWP/88.1 FM, Long Island University, Hall of Fame on Saturday, June 1. [photo below]

Jasmine Mitchell (American Studies/Media & Communications) will receive the Oliver Scholars Inaugural Alumni Award for representing Oliver's core pillar of Scholarship. Oliver Scholars prepares high-achieving Black and Latinx students from underserved New York City communities for success at top independent schools and prestigious colleges.

Shebuti Rayana (Math/CIS) has been awarded as a Co-PI a three-year NSF Grant titled "ACOSUS: An AI-driven Counseling System for Underrepresented Transfer Students." The project aims to develop an AI-driven student counseling system (ACOSUS) complementary to university counseling by providing personalized readiness and success prediction and suggestions, primarily focusing on underrepresented transfer students.

Sarah Smith (Public Health) co-authored "Micronesian conceptions of home and gender in Chuuk and the US: Between the presence of absent islanders and island imaginaries abroad" with J. Eria and R. Hoffman in *PacificT. Geographies* (2022).



Alumni Spotlight

STEPHEN FIORE, VISUAL ARTS: ELECTRONIC MEDIA
CLASS OF 2017

Senior Digital Designer - Marvel Entertainment



Stephen Fiore graduated in 2017 with a B.S. in Visual Arts: Electronic Media. His interest in art and design started very young, and his goal was to design key art for video games and films. His passion for comic books would eventually lead him to where he is now with Marvel Entertainment. He began in 2018 as a Jr. Interactive Designer, and after 4 years is currently a Senior Digital Designer. Outside of work and design, Stephen's interests include video games, binging videos about UFOs, and watching pro wrestling.

Save the Date

OW Research Day 2023 will be held Tuesday April 18.

The SUNY Undergraduate Research Conference (SURC) will be held Friday April 14 at SUNY Maritime.

Stay tuned for more information and opportunities to participate.



