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TWU DRAMA PROGRAM ANNOUNCES 2014-15 SEASON

Comedy, music and a dash of Shakespeare make up the 2014-15 season for the Texas Woman's University Drama Program.

All shows will take place in TWU's Redbud Theater, located on the north side of historic Hubbard Hall on the university's Denton campus. Tickets for all shows are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. Additionally, TWU Drama offers a "pay what you can" option available at every 2 p.m. Saturday performance.

For a complete schedule or to reserve tickets online, visit www.twu.edu/drama and click on "Box Office." For more information, call the TWU Box Office at (940) 898-2020.

The season opens with *Speech and Debate* by award-winning playwright Stephen Karam. TWU alumna Vickie Washington will direct the play, which is centered on three teens as they attempt to reveal a scandal that could rock their school and destroy the reputation of more than one local politician. The show will run Oct. 1-5.

TWU Professor Emerita Sharon Benge will direct the rarely performed musical *Celebration* in November. Written by Harvey Schmidt and Tom Jones, this musical fable tells the story of a dramatic New Year's Eve that brings together a naïve orphan and a greedy old man. Exploring the struggles between youth and age, innocence and experience and spirituality and materialism, the musical reveals that love is the only force with the power to make one content. The show will run Nov. 12-16.

In February, TWU Drama presents *Endgame* by Samuel Beckett. Dr. Patrick Bynane, director of the drama program, will direct this tragicomedy, which stands alongside Beckett's *Waiting for Godot* as one of the most influential plays of the 20th century. The term "endgame" describes an ending in chess where the outcome is already known. The play's central characters – Hamm and his servant, Clov – go through the routine of their days while waiting for the end of their diminishing lives. The show will run Feb. 18-22, 2015.

The drama program's season finale, *Henry V*, is one of Shakespeare's greatest historical verse-dramas. Steven Young, TWU assistant professor of acting, will direct the production, which focuses on Henry V's preparations before the Battle of Agincourt and

his conquests afterward. Following the death of his father, young Hal must live down his reputation as a wild and rash young man and gain the trust of his people. His past is not the only thing standing in his way, however – he also must face the belligerent French army and a charming French princess. The show will run April 15-19, 2015.

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TWU LIBRARIES TO HOST ‘KNOW YOUR RIGHTS’ FORUM

The Texas Woman’s University libraries will host “Know Your Rights: Copyright, Authors’ Rights, Intellectual Property and Emerging Intersection with Institutional Repositories” Sept. 22-23. The forum is free and open to the public. For more information, call (940) 898-3748 or visit <http://libguides.twu.edu/forum>.

The forum will take place each day in room 301 of the Administration Conference Tower (ACT) on the Denton campus, with videoconferencing to room 1010 of the TWU T. Boone Pickens Institute of Health Sciences-Dallas Center and room 2120 of the TWU Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center. For maps of each campus, visit www.twu.edu/maps.asp.

The Monday, Sept. 22 session will begin at 6:15 p.m. with Nick Shockey, director of programs and engagement for the Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC) and founding director of the Right to Research Coalition (R2RC). Mr. Shockey will present “Tired of Gouging? Strategies for Removing Financial Barriers to Information.”

The Tuesday, Sept. 23 session begins at 9 a.m. with Diane J. Graves, assistant vice president for information resources and university librarian/professor at Trinity University in San Antonio. Her presentation is titled “Faculty Open Access Policies: Public Missions, Public Research, Public Good.”

Ms. Graves’ presentation will be followed by “Make Two Fair Uses and Call Creative Commons in the Morning” with Gretchen McCord, an Austin-based attorney, educator and author specializing in copyright law and intellectual property.

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DELLO STRITTO NAMED A FELLOW OF THE AANP

Rita A. Dello Stritto, Ph.D., RN, CNS, ENP, ACNP-BC, an associate nursing professor at the Nelda C. Stark College of Nursing in the Texas Woman’s University Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center, recently was selected as a Fellow of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).

Dr. Dello Stritto, who was one of 76 nurse practitioner leaders in the nation selected for

the prestigious national Fellow program, was inducted during the AANP National Conference held in Nashville in June.

“It is a great honor to be recognized by my peers as an expert clinician and educator,” Dr. Dell Stritto said. “I strive to deliver excellent health care and to educate the next generation of nurses and nurse practitioners. Being named a Fellow in the American Association of Nurse Practitioners is the highlight of my career.”

Dr. Dello Stritto is clinician, educator, mentor, researcher and a veteran of the United States Air Force. She was one of the first graduates of the Emergency Nurse Practitioner Programs at the University of Texas Health Science Center, Houston, in 1995. She is a board certified acute care nurse practitioner and has clinical expertise in several rural, medically underserved emergency departments in Texas. After receiving her Ph.D. from TWU, she developed and is the track manager of the TWU Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Program. Dr. Dello Stritto is frequently sought after as a presenter/lecture at various professional education conferences.

The AANP established its Fellow program in 2000 to recognize nurse practitioner leaders who have made outstanding contributions to health care through clinical practice, research, education or policy. For more information, visit www.aanp.org/fellows-program.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Information and news about activities, programs or TWU people may be sent to the Office of Marketing and Communication through campus mail or by e-mail to info@twu.edu. The deadline to receive information is the first and third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. for the following week. Student information for the “People” section is not published unless it is submitted by or in conjunction with a faculty member and that faculty member’s related activities.

Project Invest (Injured Veterans Entering Sports Training) hosted its second Battle of the Backboards for military personnel on Aug. 14. Soldiers from Fort Hood and Fort Sill (Oklahoma) competed in wheelchair basketball, wheelchair soccer, Kayak polo and Boccia. The next event **will be held Nov. 6**. For more information or to volunteer, contact Dr. Ron Davis at rdavis4@twu.edu.

UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Please submit “People” items (faculty and staff only) to the Office of Marketing and Communication by campus mail or by e-mail to info@twu.edu. Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.)

Dr. **Gretchen Busl** (English, Speech, and Foreign Languages) attended two

internationally competitive research seminars: the Nida School for Translation Studies (May 26-June 6) in Misano-Adriatico, Italy and the Institute for World Literature (June 23 to July 17) in Hong Kong. Her work-in-progress presentation for the Nida School has been accepted to the Transfiction 3 conference at Concordia University, Montreal.

Dr. **Katie Crosslin** and Dr. **Mandy Golman** (both health studies) were recently accepted to present at the American Public Health Association's national conference in New Orleans. Their presentation entitled, "Gender-based perceptions of the HPV vaccine for males" addresses the need for increased vaccination among college students who are at-risk for contracting HPV. Dr. Beth Lanning at Baylor University is a co-author.

Dr. **Kimberly Parker** (health studies) recently had the chapter titled "The Perspectives of African American men on HIV transmission and concurrency and their impact on family dynamics perceptions" published in the book *African American Perspectives: Family Dynamics, Health Care Issues, and the Role of Ethnic Identity*. She also submitted the encyclopedia entry "Female objectification and the reluctance to 'Lean In'" for *The Encyclopedia Diversity and Social Justice*, which currently is in press.

Dr. **Mahesh S. Raisinghani** (School of Management) has co-authored a chapter titled "E-Learning as a Political Arena" that has been accepted for publication in Vaiva Zuzevičiūtė, Edita Butrimė, Daiva Vitkutė-Adžgauskienė, Vladislav Vladimirovich Fomin, and Kathy Kikis-Papadakis (eds.), *E-Learning as a Socio-Cultural System: A Multidimensional Analysis*, a volume in the Advances in Educational Technologies and Instructional Design (AETID) Book Series, Information Science References, 314-327, DOI: 10.4018/978-1-4666-6154-7.ch019, (forthcoming 2014).

Dr. **Rita Dell Stritto** and Dr. **Peggy Landrum** (both nursing, Houston) did a podium presentation titled "Breaking Bad News: Confronting Interdisciplinary Bias" at the Sigma Theta Tau 25th International Nursing Research Congress, held July 28 in Hong Kong, China. The presentation was selected as a finalist for the 2014 Excellence in Education Research Award.

Clay Till (Office of Technology) has been promoted to the position of director of technology infrastructure. He previously served as manager of technical programming.

Heather Davis (Office of Technology) represented the TWU chapter of the Phi Kappa Phi honor society at the 43rd Biennial Convention held Aug. 7-9 in St. Louis. Ms. **Davis** serves as president of the TWU chapter and attended the convention as the chapter's voting delegate.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: SEPTEMBER 8-21, 2014

Mon., Sept. 8

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Tues., Sept. 9

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Angelo State, away.

Wed., Sept. 10

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Student Health Services Open House, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Thurs., Sept. 11

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- TWU Department of Reading hosts a come-and-go Celebration of Life Memorial Service for Dr. Lettie K. Albright, 3:30-5 p.m., The Women's Building, 610 Oakland in Denton.

Fri., Sept. 12

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Arkansas-Fort Smith, Texas A&M-Commerce Tournament, away.

Sat., Sept. 13

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Bookstore closed, Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.
- EMBA Info Session, 10-11 a.m., ACT 501. Free. For more information, email admissions@twu.edu
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Colorado School of Mines, 1 p.m., and Southern Arkansas, 5 p.m., Texas A&M-Commerce Tournament, away.
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Sun., Sept. 14

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; Bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open noon-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Soccer vs. Harding, noon, away.

Mon., Sept. 15

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Tues., Sept. 16

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- EMBA Info Session, 6:30-7:30 p.m., TCC Training Center – Alliance, 13600 Heritage Parkway, Suite 100. Free. Questions? admissions@twu.edu
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Tarleton State, 7 p.m., away.

Wed., Sept. 17

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Thurs., Sept. 18

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- EMBA Info Session, TWU Institute of Health Sciences – Dallas Center, room 2706, 6-7 p.m. Free. Questions? admissions@twu.edu

Fri., Sept. 19

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Soccer vs. Ouachita Baptist, 2 p.m., home.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Midwestern State, 7 p.m., home.

Sat., Sept. 20

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Bookstore closed, Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.
- EMBA Info Session, 10-11 a.m., Trinity Room, Plano Sockwell Center. Free. For more information, email admissions@twu.edu
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Cameron, 2 p.m., home.

Sun., Sept. 21

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; Bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open noon-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Soccer vs. St. Edward's, 2 p.m., home.

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