## **College of Arts and Letters**

# Coyote Advertising and Art Department students win major awards

The Coyote Advertising team along with talented students from the Art Department, won <u>38</u> ADDY awards at the annual American Advertising Federation Inland Empire Chapter's Awards Gala. These included one gold award, three silver awards and six bronze awards. Congratulations to our amazing students! Read entire press release: <u>https://inside.csusb.edu/node/10531</u>



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CSUSB mourns the passing of distinguished alumnus **Paul De Meo** (BA Theatre Arts '78) who died unexpectedly on February 26. Paul (left) and his writing and producing partner, alumnus Danny Bilson (right), seen here at CSUSB's production of "The World Goes 'Round" last June, met at CSUSB. The duo acted in Chekov's "The Seagull," the first production in the Barnes Theatre, and wrote and performed in the second show, "The Houdini Deception," under the mentorship of Professor Bill Slout. Paul and Danny went on to successful careers as screenwriters, authors, and producers of films, television

series, video games and graphic novels including Disney's "The Rocketeer" now considered a cult classic. Other works included the original TV series of "The Flash," "The Sentinel," "Viper," and the video game "The Sims." Our heartfelt condolences go out to Paul's wife, Lauren Glassman, daughters Miranda and Annabella, and Danny Bilson and his family. He will be missed.

### Department of World Languages and Literatures wins California Languages Teachers Association Presidential Award



The Department of World Languages and Literatures was the recipient of the California Language Teachers Association Presidential award. The award recognizes the mutual support and collaboration between the department and the Inland Empire Foreign Language Association (IEFLA- an affiliate of CLTA) to promote world language education over the past 21 years. IEFLA provides a strong alliance between K-12 teachers and university professors as they work hand in hand to serve

educators and update them on the latest trends in world

language education. On March 10 Dean Ballman represented the university at the awards Luncheon with professors from the World Languages and Literatures Department currently serving on the IEFLA board; Dr. Bibiana Díaz, Dr. María García-Puente, Dr. Oraib Mango. Also present was professor Valerie Morgan.



### **Coyote Radio wins at International Golden Mic Awards**

Communication Studies student Adrian Silva-Viscaino, and Arnold Robles, Communication Studies alumnus and current MBA student, produced an edition of <u>My Awesome Empire</u> right after the Northpark Elementary shootings. Robles worked as production director and producer, and Silva-Viscaino, served as segment producer.

The special edition program focused on stories of re-birth and featured a story about San Bernardino Generation Now, a recently formed organization created and run by young college aged leaders of the San Bernardino area church youth groups, student body presidents (including that of CSUSB and SBVC) and youth political action groups. Generation Now's innovative strategies for helping businesses in the area was discussed.

The other story in the program featured poet/author Lydia Theon Ware I. Theon Ware I went from being homeless and severely mentally ill walking the streets of the IE, to finding medication that brought her back to her prior state—as a college student. She is now an advocate and published author.

The awards were the international Intercollegiate Broadcast Society Golden Mic Awards, which is a junior version of the famous professional awards.



The program was honored as one of the greatest public service programs of 2017. Thousands of entries are submitted by universities around the world.

### **Dean's Fellows**

Dean Ballman recently appointed TC Corrigan (Communication Studies) as the Dean's Fellow for Assessment and Astrid Sheil (Communication Studies) as the Dean's Fellow for Program Promotion and Outreach. They join Luz Elena Ramirez (English), Dean's Fellow for Research.

Dean's Fellow for Assessment



Dr. Thomas F. Corrigan's role is to further develop a culture of assessment in the Arts & Letters programs. An associate professor in CSUSB's Department of Communication Studies, Dr. Corrigan (or T.C.) teaches undergraduate courses in Digital Media and Communication, Media Historv and Institutions, and Communication Research Methodologies. He also teaches graduate courses in Digital Culture and Oualitative Research Methodologies. His work has appeared in peer-reviewed journals, such as The Political Economy of Communication.

Dean's Fellow for Research



**Dr. Luz Elena Ramirez**'s role is to promote research and creative activity in Arts & Letters and to create opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration across colleges. An active scholar, she has published British Representations of Latin America, is working on a manuscript entitled Conquest and Reclamation in the British Imagination, and presents conference papers on romance adventures and archaeological fantasies. Dean's Fellow for Program Promotion and Outreach



Dr. Astrid Sheil, professor of Communication Studies. recently completed a year as an American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow working with the president and senior leadership at Chapman University. As a consultant for public and private companies, Dr. Sheil specializes in business protocol, marketing, presentation skills, negotiation strategies, team building and strategic planning. She is the author of Dynamic Public Relations: The 24/7 PR Cycle, published by Pearson.

### **The Art of Mark Strickland Exhibit**

The Robert and Frances Fullerton Museum of Art (RAFFMA) at Cal State San Bernardino will present a new temporary exhibition, "All Too Human: The Art of Mark Strickland." Strickland is from Southern California and explores the human condition. The exhibition will be on display Feb. 17-May 19. RAFFMA will feature an artist talk with Strickland on April 19.



For more information on the exhibit:

https://inside.csusb.edu/content/csusb-art-museum-exhibit-work-southern-california-artist-mark-strickland

### Music

Alastair Edmonstone (Music) and his talents were profiled in the *Press Enterprise*. He is the Collaborative Pianist in Residence and the Music Director for the CSUSB Opera Theatre.

https://www.pe.com/2018/02/28/riversidepianist-from-scotland-bringing-enthusiasm-tocal-state-san-bernardino/

Upcoming events are: "Einstein on the Beach" by Philip Glass on May 4 and 5; and a solo piano recital of works by Philip Glass and John Adams, featuring "Phrygian Gates" by Adamsand "Mad Rush" by Glass on April 17.



For more information on Professor Edmonstone, visit his website: <u>www.alastairedmonstone.com</u>.

## Philosophy

The Philosophy Club was featured in the latest issue of the Coyote Chronicle. The students meet in the logic lab weekly and meeting subjects range from religion, space/time, veganism, gender, government and society, to name a few. To read the complete article, please click on the link below.

https://coyotechronicle.net/bring -your-inner-philosopher-to-theclub/ Congratulations to Diana DeLaCruz who was recently selected and appointed as the Executive Assistant to the Dean in CAL. Diana joined CSUSB and the College of Arts and Letters as a student assistant in Fall 2011. She earned her B.A. in English Literature in 2013, and she is currently finalizing her thesis on Ecocriticism and Romantic Poetry for the M.A. English Composition program under the expert guidance of Dr. Holly Henry.



## **Coyote Advertising & Coyote Radio**

In collaboration with the public relations course, Communication Studies 343D, Coyote Advertising & Coyote Radio had another successful Holiday PSA Campaign. In its 6th year, this campaign benefited the DEN Food Pantry. On campus departments pledged at least 50 non-perishable food items and received a sponsored Public Service Announcement which aired on Coyote Radio.

Over 4200 items were collected weighing a total of 1887 pounds.

### Goodbye, Lacey!

At the end of 2017 we said goodbye, or see you later to Lacey Kendall. She left the CSUSB Main Campus to take on a new role at the CSUSB Palm Desert campus. We are happy she will continue to help current and future Coyotes with her talents, but she will be missed at CAL and Coyote Radio on the Main Campus! Good luck, Lacey!





## Happy 100th Birthday, Josephine Lombardo!

The College of Arts and Letters would like to wish our friend Josephine Lombardo a very happy birthday. Josephine and her family established a scholarship endowment in the Department of Music to benefit students. We are very grateful for her continued support of our students!





Josephine and her daughter Toni Spagnola

## **Coyote Chronicle**

Josephine at her milestone birthday

celebration

Coyote Chronicle is an awardwinning independent newspaper of CSUSB since 1965, and is published quarterly by students in our Communication Studies Department under the direction of Dr. Mariam Betlemidze.

### View the latest issue here





### **Parkland Shooting Protests**

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## **College Staff Appreciation Event**

The staff in the college were treated to a potluck lunch on January 22 in the Barnes Theatre. It is a chance for Dean and Department chairs to show their appreciation for the hardworking staff in the college who go above and beyond everyday to make the college great. This event was created in response to a suggestion from Rachel Siordia (Philosophy) at one of the quarterly staff brown bag lunches with the Dean.











## The California Arts Project (TCAP)

TCAP will be the case study highlighted in chapter 3 of the report by The Conference Board of Canada titled *Making the Connection. Growing Collegiality and Collaboration Between K-12 and PSE Educators.* 

Kristine Alexander, Executive Director of TCAP was interviewed about K-post secondary collaboratives in the arts, humanities, and social science.



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### **1948: Creation and Catastrophe Screenings**

Ahlam Muhtaseb continues screenings of her film 1948: Creation and Catastrophe in Kuwait and Dubai. Dubai featured an outdoor venue modeled after the meat district in New York City. Over 300 people showed up to the screening despite a sandstorm and chill winds. It was described by attendees as "the most political and longest conversation in the history of the film festival." People called the festival organizers the following day and demanded a second screening! In Kuwait, over 200 people attended in a beautiful auditorium at GUST University. Many prominent dignitaries and academicians were there, including the Palestinian ambassador to Kuwait and Professor Salman Abu Sitte, who created the first comprehensive Atlas of Palestine in history, and allowed attendees free access to his maps for the film. Professor Muhtaseb was also awarded a plaque of appreciation by the Kuwaiti Engineering Association. These successful screenings led to an invitation from University of Kuwait to return. She will also be attending the Al-Ard film festival in Sardinia, Italy.





### Día Latino





The Department of World Languages and Literatures student organizations, Acto Latino and Los Amigos Spanish Club hosted another successful Día Latino Event on February 8.

There were tables representing different countries from Latin America. This event also focused on cultural awareness of the Latino community.

Activities included a DJ, games, food samples, and thanks to the generosity of the participants, shirts, caps, sweaters, and a lava lamp giveaway donated by Provost McMahan.







### **College Colloquium – Winter 2018**

The College of Arts and Letters hosted another successful colloquium on February 13. Opening remarks were delivered by Dean Terry Ballman and research topics were presented by our outstanding faculty and staff. This quarterly event is coordinated by Luz Elena Ramirez (English).

The presentations and discussion included:

- Julie Taylor (Communication Studies), "Women are Prostitution: Problematizing the Discursive (En)gendering and Organizing of Policy Enactment"
- Mo Bahk (Communication Studies), "A Prelude to Dialogue: Racial Perception and Communication"
- Sara DeMoss (College of Arts and Letters Advising), "Beauty and her b(r)east(s): Monstrosity and college women in The Jaguar (1992)"
- Bibiana Diaz (World Languages and Literatures), moderated the discussion.



### **Development Transition**

The College of Arts and Letters said farewell to Julie Nichols, Senior Director of Development recently. Julie will remain on campus, but will oversee development activities for the Jack H. Brown College of Business and Public Administration and Annual Giving. While Julie will be missed, the College is excited to welcome her colleague, Jeffrey Fischer Smith, as the new Interim Senior Director of Development for CAL. Jeffrey will continue as Senior Director of Development for the College of Natural Sciences, as well. Jeff brings a wealth of experience in fundraising for the arts and humanities. In addition, he's an award-winning playwright and filmmaker. Jeffrey and Julie co-wrote and co-produced the short film, *Reservations*, based on Jeff's play of the same name. *Reservations* was an official selection of the Stella Adler Hollywood Short + Sweet Film Festival, the Reel Hollywood Independent Film Festival, the Audience Awards 2018 Love Shorts Film Festival, as well as the Flathead Lake International Cinema Fest in Montana. Julie and Jeff are pictured at the Flathead Lake Fest in late January.





## Items of Interest

#### **College of Arts and Letters Website**

Faculty Resources CAL Talks (digital archive) Chairs Council Agenda and Summary Notes Dean's Presentations

#### **CAL Social Media**

Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/csusbcal/">https://www.facebook.com/csusbcal/</a>

#### **CAL Faculty Colloquium**

3-4 faculty present their research quarterly Organizer: Luz Elena Ramirez

#### **CAL Newsletter**

Distributed via email every quarter. (Also sent to Provost and President)

State of the College Chat – January

#### **Dean's Brown Bags**

Separate brown bags for Faculty, Staff, and \*Students are held each quarter

\*Note: Only students get pizza!

## <u>Accomplishments & News</u> Winter 2018

**Jennifer Andersen** (English & World Languages and Literatures) presented "A Copy of a Letter: fictitious letters and leaks in English Catholic Propaganda" at the annual North American Conference on British Studies.

**Annie Buckley** (Art) and the Prison Arts Collective, Community-based Art Program, Presented a two day teacher training workshop on February 24-25 at Cal State Northridge.

**Ariana Cano** (Communication Studies Graduate Student) won a monetary prize for her presentation "Cultural Value in Instant Messenger: An Analysis between Mexico and the U.S." in the Pansy Jacob Jackson National Student Research Competition at the NAAAS 2018 Conference. She was also selected as the student representative of the College of Arts and Letters at the 32nd Annual CSU Student Research Competition hosted by Sacramento State University on May 4th and 5th, 2018.

**Alexandra Cavallaro** (English) gave a workshop titled "Writing Across Media: Bridging the Digital Divide in Prisons" at the European Prison Education Association Conference in Vienna, Austria.

**Ceramics Team** (Art) Alison Petty, with Matt Dickersen, Anna Delgado, Shane Keena, and student assistant Juan Navares, received a grant from the Office of Student Research (OSR). The grant will be used to develop the 3D Digital Printing for ceramics into the virtual realm. They will model ceramics in virtual space using the Oculus Rift VR system. From the digital files produced in these virtual world they will then print ceramics pieces using the 3D Ceramics Printer that was built in the department.

**Jane Chin Davidson** (Art) was just named to be on the editorial board of the College Art Association's Art Journal, and elected to be a representative of the Women of Color Leadership Project at the National Women's Studies Association. In addition she will be a guest lecturer at the Florida International University's Social Justice Lecture Series, October 20th, and chairing at the College Art Association Conference in Los Angeles, February 2018.

**Sunny Hyon** (English) published, *Introducing Genre and English for Specific Purposes* (Routledge 2017). The book offers an overview of genre theory, analysis and teaching in the field of English for Specific Purposes.

**Mediterranean Studies Academy** (Interdisciplinary Collaboration, CAL, SBS & JHBCBPA) released their most recent newsletter on their website: <u>http://www.csusb.edu/sites/csusb/files/</u><u>mediterraneanstudiesacademydec2017.pdf</u>

**Luz Elena Ramirez** (English) completed work on her book manuscript: *Conquest and Reclamation in the British Imagination*. She also published a scholarly review of Robert Aquirre's *Mobility & Modernity: Panama in the Nineteenth-Century Anglo-American Imagination* which can be accessed here: <u>http://www.nbol-19.org/view\_doc.php?index=503</u>

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

### **COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS**

6th Annual Arts and Music Festival May 18, 2018 4-9pm

#### <u>MUSIC</u>

Chamber Music: Strings, Piano & Percussion March 18 | Recital Hall | 4:00 PM

Chamber Music: Brass & Woodwinds March 19 | Recital Hall | 7:30 PM



#### **Theatre Arts**

March 16| Barnes Theatre | 2:00 PM & 8:00 PM SOLD OUT March 17 | Barnes Theatre | 2:00 PM & 8:00 PM March 18 | Barnes Theatre | 8:00 PM <u>http://theatre.csusb.edu/</u> Tickets \$6/\$12/\$15



#### World Languages and Literatures

El cruces de los sueños Presented by Acto Latino Teatro Universitario March 16 | SMSU Theater | 7:00 PM



## Latin American Studies CONFERENCE

#### Study of the Americas

### **DEMOCRACY IN** THE AMERICAS AND IMMIGRATION

#### Latin America's Post-transitional Politics: Problems of and for Democracy in the New Century

Thursday, April 19, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Pfau Library, Room 5005

#### U.S. Immigrant Youth at a Crossroads

Thursday, April 19, 12 noon -1 p.m. Pfau Library, Room 5005

### April 19 and 20, 2018

California State University, San Bernardino

#### **Keynote Speakers**



#### **Gerardo Munck** Professor of International Relations and Political Science University of Southern California



#### Kent Wong Director of the UCLA Labor Center and Professor of Asian Studies University of California, Los Angeles

#### **Captive Stories: Indigenous Women Migrants** and the Settler Capitalist State

Friday, April 20, 11 a.m. -12 noon Pfau Library, Room 5005



Shannon Speed Director of the American Indian Studies Center and Associate Professor of Gender Studies and Anthropology

University of California, Los Angeles

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