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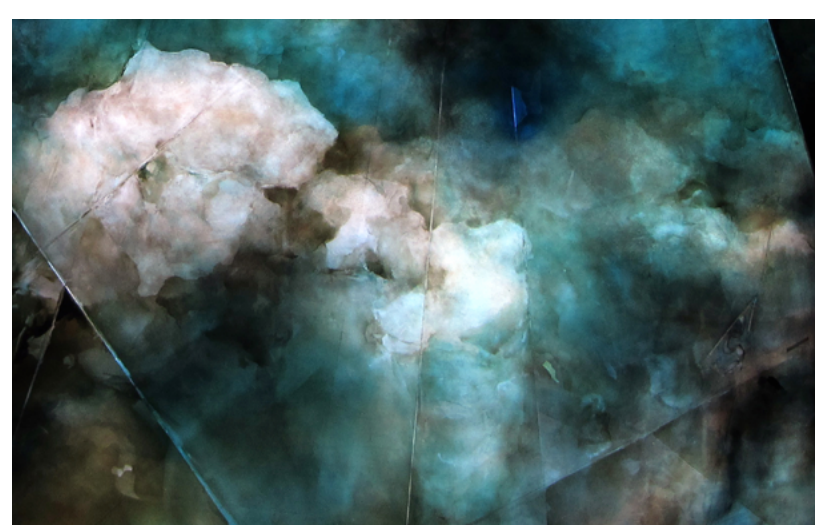
Dr. John Fleming, Interim Dean

ART AND DESIGN

Jeff Dell's solo show Boundary Extension will open at Art Palace Gallery in Houston on May 29.

Dana Frankfort has an upcoming two-person show with Jackie Gendel at TOPS Gallery in Memphis, Tennessee.

Shawn Camp will exhibit several of his backlit paintings in a show called the Aphotic Zone at Northern Southern in Austin that opens on May 23.



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Lana Waldrep-Appl will have three paintings included in the upcoming group show Pool Party at Anya Tish Gallery in Houston, Texas. An opening reception will be held on Friday, May 1 from 6-8:30pm. The exhibition will run from May 1 through May 23.

A collection of **Nicole DesChamps-Benke's** new work will be exhibited in the up-coming group exhibition HIROKO SATO-PI-JANOWSKI & Selected Scholars at the Gallery Okariya Ginza, Tokyo, Japan. While in Japan, Nicole will give a presentation highlighting her current research and work, Origins & Outcomes, at Tokyo National University of Fine Arts & Music and Shimin Sangyokaikan, Kawaguchi, Saitama Prefecture.

Nicole DesChamps-Benke was invited by Equinox Gallery to participate in the upcoming show titled "OCHO." This exhibition is part of a nationally juried pop-up exhibition Adorned Spaces to be held at the 2015 Society of North American Goldsmiths Conference in Boston, Massachusetts.

Nicole DesChamps-Benke designed and fabricated 3D-printed shields to house and protect an environmental sensor for field research in South America by Shawn F. McCracken, Research Assistant Professor, Texas State University, Department of Biology.

Jessica Mallios is participating in a solo exhibition and book publication entitled LOCAL TIME at The Center for Ongoing Research & Projects in Columbus, Ohio curated by Kris Paulsen and Ryland Wharton. The show opens Saturday, May 2nd and runs through Sunday, May 31st, 2015.

Jill Fantauzza has been recognized by Alpha Chi Honor Society with a Favorite Professor Award.

Works by **Brian Johnson**, **Elvia Perrin** and alumnus **Clif Riley** were all accepted to the PRINT TX 2015 Biennial of Contemporary Prints exhibition; the opening reception is June 6th at the Nicole Longnecker Gallery in Houston.

Art and Design Student / Alum Accolades

Metals Student **Amanda Bartlett** was invited to exhibit her work in the upcoming show "How Dare You?" at the Carver Community Cultural Center Art Gallery in San Antonio, Texas.

The work of five Metals students will be featured at the Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) conference in Boston: **Alexander Kamelhair**, **McKinley Mizar**, **Malek Lazri**, **Patrizia Tescari** and **Lindsey Champlin**.

Malek Lazri and **Alexander Kamelhair** had work accepted into Momentum, a national juried student competition to be exhibited at the SNAG conference in Boston.

Three Metals students, **Patrizia Tescari**, **Lindsey Champlin** and **Alexander Kamelhair** received Texas State University Rising S.T.A.R. Travel Grants to attend the SNAG conference.

Malek Lazri has work featured in a three-person exhibition, Modes of Production at Bolm ATM Gallery (Big Medium), in Austin.

Malek's work is also included in Soft Tactics, a group exhibition of Texas State students and alumni at Cement Loop in Austin.

Art Education Spring 2012 graduate **Mollie Ryan** was named one of Navarro ISD's four teachers of the year. She is an art teacher at Navarro Junior High.

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Tricia Burke and co-author **Chris Segrin** just had an article entitled "Weight-Related Social Control in Couples: Associations with Motives, Constraints, and Health Behaviors" accepted for publication in Communication Research. **Tricia** will also present a paper, "Enacting Social Control to Encourage Healthier Partner Diet and Exercise Behavior: Motives, Constraints, and Topic Avoidance" at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association in San Juan, Puerto Rico in May.

Rebekah Fox continues to conduct and present research related to the Joint Fire Science Program grant she was awarded in 2013. She and co-authors published "Voices From the Field: Wildland Fire Managers and High Reliability Organizing Mindfulness" in the journal Society and Natural Resources. In addition, **Rebekah** presented two papers to the International Association of Wildland Fire Conference in Boise, Idaho in April. She also presented papers with co-author **Ann Burnette** on the rhetoric of Wendy Davis to SSCA and stories of rural women's healthcare to the Rural Women's Studies Association conference.



Ann Burnette | Top photo
Rebekah Fox | Photo to left

Sean Horan recently published "Further Understanding Sexual Communication: Honesty, Deception, Safety, and Risk" in the Journal of Social and Personal Relationships. **Sean** and his co-authors also published "Understanding Relationships Among the Dark Triad Personality Profile and Romantic Partners' Conflict Communication" in Communication Quarterly. His latest column appearing in Psychology Today is entitled "How Honest Are Individuals About Their Sexual Histories?" Sean's research has also been featured on Buzzfeed and Talent Management Magazine.

Marian Houser, **Mark Generous** and **Seth Frei** (both M.A. alums) published "When an Instructor Swears in Class: Functions and Targets of Instructor Swearing from College Students' Retrospective Accounts" in Communication Reports. She also co-authored "First Encounters With Instructors: The Experiences and Perceptions of Nursing Students in Iran," which appears in The Journal of Nursing Research. Marian continues to serve as Editor of Communication Teacher.

Roseann Mandziuk currently serves as Vice-President-Elect of the Southern States Communication Association and was responsible for planning the Theodore Clevenger Jr. Undergraduate Honors Conference that took place at the SSCA convention in Tampa, Florida in April. This gave undergraduate students from across the country the opportunity to present their own research and network with scholars from other universities.

Communication Studies M. A. Student / Alum Accolades

Communication Studies M.A. student **Lauren Cafferty** co-authored an article published in Communication Teacher entitled "Any Questions?: An Application of Weick's Model of Organizing to Increase Student Involvement in the Medical Humanities Classroom."

She is also co-author of "Microblog Use and Student Engagement in the Large-Classroom Setting" in the journal Family Medicine. Lauren is co-author on two articles that will soon appear in Family Medicine and Health Communication. In addition, she presented her research to the International Association of Relationship Research Conference in New Brunswick, New Jersey and the University of North Texas Annual Student Conference in Denton, Texas.

Ross Rasberry, a senior Communication Studies major from Lubbock beat out ten other speakers at the 90th annual Battle of Flowers Oratorical Contest in San Antonio with his winning oration entitled, "Sugar Cane, Rum, Politics, and Oil: Nowhere But Texas." He delivered his speech to the 500 member Battle of Flowers Luncheon in April and also rode in the parade. Jenna Brown took third place in the competition. This marks the fourth time since 2010 that a Texas State student has won the contest.

MUSIC

During the week of March 23, **Joey Martin** was in residence at the University of North Florida where he rehearsed with principle players from the Jacksonville Symphony. Throughout the week, he met with graduate students, provided workshops with the UNF choirs, and masterclasses for the collaborative arts. His time at UNF culminated in a performance with the Dr. Nick Curry and members of the Jacksonville Symphony in performances of the Haydn Piano Trio in C Major, Hob. XV:27 and the Schumann Piano Quintet in E-flat.

Fiesta Flambeau Parade in San Antonio this Saturday. While it was a very long day for the students, I think they enjoyed the experience - and the 700,000 people in the crowd loved us!

You can check out our performance online at the KSAT12 website - use the direct link below, and then scroll to about 16:40 on the counter:

From KSAT.com:Flambeau Night Parade Part 6 <http://www.ksat.com/content/pns/ksat/entertainment/fiesta/2015/flambeau-night-parade/flambeau-night-parade-part-6.html>

Also, I finally got the Jumbotron footage from the Dallas Cowboys performance this past September. A direct link is below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E92KWRI5bLo>

The inaugural year of the International Concert Series concluded April 21 with a spectacular showcase performance by Texas State's top-notch jazz faculty, led by renowned former Count Basie drummer Butch Miles. Joining him were jazz faculty Hank Hehmsoth, Morris Nelms, Russell Haight, Paul Deemer, Bennett Wood, Russell Scanlon, Stephen Hawk, and Keith Winking. Graduate student Ben Triesch played bass, and for the final number there was a cameo appearance on bass trombone by School of Music Director Thomas Clark.

Dr. Martin McCain was featured on Austin's KMFA 89.5 classical radio station twice in February where they broadcast selections from his recent album Shades. McCain was also featured on Toronto's CKWR twice in celebration of Black history month where selections from his 1st album Trombone Czar were also broadcast in addition to Shades.

The Texas State University Trombone Choir recently performed at the American Trombone Workshop in Washington DC. The ensemble was one of 5 collegiate trombone choirs invited to perform at this year's festival, hosted by the United States Army Band Pershing's Own. In addition to the ATW, the ensemble performed at the Texas Music Educators Association Convention and performed a concert at Bethany Lutheran Church.

On March 29, **Todd Oxford** presented a solo recital as featured artist on Classical Music for the World's Spring 2015 Concert Series. His solo CD "Synaesthesia" appears in Saxophone Life Magazine April issue's recommended recordings section. He also submitted two articles to be published in the May Issue, "The Classical Saxophone Tone" and "A Tribute to French Saxophone Virtuoso Marcel Mule".

Todd Oxford was featured in Billboard Magazine's April 3 issue as an Emerging Artist and Global Music Awards Gold Medal Winner. Also, his solo CD, Synaesthesia, was reviewed in the United Kingdom's Clarinet and Saxophone Magazine.

DePauw University has named Texas State University Regents' Professor **Ian Davidson** as winner of the 2015 Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award for Creative and Performing Arts. The awards are given to DePauw alumni in recognition of outstanding professional achievement in areas such as performing arts, entrepreneurship, science, technology and media. Previous winners include Pulitzer Prize winning journalist **James B. Stewart**, Metropolitan Opera Soprano **Pamela Coburn**, ESPN founder **William F. Rasmusen**, Actor **David Cryer**, Los Angeles Times Managing Editor **Douglas Frantz**, Former Baseball Commissioner **Ford Frick**, MapQuest founder **Judson Green**, Angie's List founder **Angela Hicks Bowman**, General Motors Chairman **Tim Solso**, EA Entertainment President **Kathy Patterson Vrabec**, and Newberry Medal winner **Richard Peck**.

Soon Cho gave a very successful performance of Dvorak's Stabat Mater with the Honolulu Symphony Orchestra and the Oahu Choral Society. She also performed with the Valdosta Symphony in Georgia, singing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.

Balquhiddier Music in Montrose, California, has just released **Raul Rodriguez's** etude book for tuba, Low Blows, which will be exclusively distributed by **Carl Fischer Music** in New York.

Web-resolution images, photos available at

<http://somosmusicos.wp.txstate.edu/>

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COLLEGE ACADEMIC ADVISING

Tina Hyatt was awarded the April Advisor of the Month Award. The Advisor of the Month Award is established to recognize outstanding professional academic staff advisors for their work in advising students at Texas State University. This award is based on nomination from co-workers and is voted on by the Selection Team which consists of representation from every academic advising center on campus.