**AROUND CAMPUS**

**Black History Month 2021**
MSU Texas is celebrating Black History Month February 1-28. Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by Black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African-Americans in U.S. history. The events of Black History Month are an opportunity for MSU faculty, staff, and students to remember and commit to continuing the fight for civil rights and creating community.

**Black History Month Kickoff**
Friday, February 5
7 p.m., CSC Comanche Suites & Atrium
Hosted by the Black History Month Committee

**Black Cinema**
Thursday, February 11
7 p.m., CSC Wichita I&II
Hosted by the NAACP

**Middle Ground**
Monday, February 15
7 p.m., Olympus 130
Hosted by the MOCA & WISE

**Black Table Talk**
Thursday, February 18
7 p.m., Wichita I&II
Hosted by the Black STAND Council

**Visionary Contributions of Black Americans through the World Languages’ Lens**
Monday, February 22
7 p.m., Legacy Multipurpose Room
Hosted by the Department of World Languages

**Movie: 13th**
Tuesday, February 23
7 p.m., CSC Comanche
Hosted by the History Club

**Critical Conversations: Book Discussion How to be Antiracist**
Wednesday, February 24
11 a.m. & 3 p.m., Zoom
RSVP for 11 a.m.
RSVP for 3 p.m.

Hosted by the MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center

**Talent Show**
Wednesday, February 24
7 p.m., Legacy Multipurpose Room
Hosted by the Black Student Union

**Black Excellence Gala**
Friday, February 26
8 p.m., Sikes Lake Center
RSVP required. Limited seating. More details coming soon.
Hosted by the Black History Month Committee

**Month-long events**
The MOSAIC Peer Educators will host a display from February 8 through February 26 in the CSC Atrium.

Visit MustangsLink for more events and details. This year’s Black History Month events are sponsored by the Black History Month committee, Black STAND Council, Black Student Union, Department of World Languages, History Club, MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center, MOSAIC Peer Educators, MOCA, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and WISE.

For additional information, email mosaic@msutexas.edu or visit msutexas.edu/mosaic.

**QPR Suicide Prevention Trainings**
QPR stands for question, persuade and refer, and are the three simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help.

The MSU Texas Counseling Center will present a QPR Suicide Prevention trainings Friday, February 5. The **faculty and staff training** will begin at noon in Dillard 189 with a maximum of 23 attendees. A box lunch from McAlister’s Deli will be served during the faculty and staff training. Please call Christina Gragg at ext. no later than Thursday, February 4, to reserve lunch.
Student training will begin at 3:30 p.m. in Dillard 189 with a Zoom presentation available as well. In-person training will be limited to 23 attendees. Door prizes from the MSU Texas Bookstore will be drawn for those students attending online or in-person training.

For more information, contact Christina Gragg at ext. 4618 or christina.gragg@msutexas.edu.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Harvey Art Gallery:
Student and Alumni Exhibition

The Juanita Harvey Art Gallery will present a student and alumni exhibition of metals in the foyer gallery and From the Ceramics Studio XV in the pit gallery beginning Monday, February 8. The exhibitions will run through February 26. Hours are Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Groups of 10 or more need to call ahead to schedule a visit. For more information, call the Department of Art at ext. 4264.

UGROW Faculty Research Presentations

Dr. Magaly Rincón-Zachary fostered the Undergraduate Research Opportunities and Workshop (UGROW) starting in 2004 to provide an immersive summer research program for undergraduates. With Dr. Rincón’s retirement, the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics, and Engineering will continue this program for 2021 and into the future. Although MCOSME will lead this effort, faculty from the other colleges are welcome to participate. As in years past, UGROW will provide a venue in which faculty mentor full-time engagement from one or possibly two students, facilitating student exposure to research techniques, as well as opportunities for presentation and interaction. The program starts May 24 and ends July 1.

Faculty members interested in joining UGROW 21 should send a title for the intended project by Friday, February 5, to jonathan.price@msutexas.edu. Interdisciplinary research/creative endeavors are encouraged. Participating faculty will be asked to present their proposed projects to interested students from 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday February 11. For more information, contact jonathan.price@msutexas.edu.

A Legacy of Diversity & Ingenuity: Latin People in the Workforce

The campus community is invited to attend a showcase of Latin people in the workforce. This showcase is intended to bring hope and motivation to all students, not only Hispanic students. The presenters will talk about their hardships, motivations, struggles, and successes, as some of them are the first generation to go to college. They will also share with knowledge about their respective professions. In order to illustrate the diversity of the Hispanic world, individuals from different career fields have been selected to present including law, medicine, music, mass media, and more.

The presentations begin February 5 and will continue through April 9, and will be conducted through Zoom.

The showcase is sponsored by the Spanish Club, Sigma Lambda Alpha, OHS, Omega Delta Phi, Office of Student Leadership & Involvement, MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center, and the Department of World Languages & Cultures.

February 5
Linda Aguilera, former MSU student: “DNA”

February 12
Martin Camacho, Dean of the Lamar D. Fain College of Fine Arts: “A Musical Journey from el Barrio to Carnegie Hall”

February 26
Valerie Martinez, former MSU student: “The Papercut that Changed My Life, a Story of Personal Mentorship & Career”

March 5
Gonzalo Robles: “Self Discipline Plus Hard Work Equals Success in Life”

March 12
Stephanie Robles, former MSU student: “From GED to Ed.D!”

March 19
April 9
Gabriel Duran: “Latino Culture and Love of Film”

For more information, email claudia.montoya@msutexas.edu or call ext. 4259

CAMPUS NEWS

Cortny Bates promoted to University Librarian

Provost James Johnston announced last week that Cortny Bates has been promoted to University Librarian. Cortny is a MSU alumnus, earning a BA and MA at MSU Texas. She also holds a Master of Library Sciences from the University of North Texas. Cortny has served as Associate Librarian for Technical Services for seven years, and as interim University Librarian for one year. “We certainly appreciate her leadership in the midst of this pandemic and look forward to her continued innovation in the years to come,” Johnston said.

WFMA extends ‘Color in Art, Color in Life’ Exhibit

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas has extended the exhibition “Color in Art, Color in Life: Prisms, Pigments, and Purpose.” Through interdisciplinary partnerships and works from the permanent collection, this exhibition demonstrates the purposeful language of color as it was discovered through scientific methods and as it plays a role in compositional design, meaning, and experience. The WFMA also is presenting the exhibition “Quilt Journeys” through July 24. For more information, call ext. 8900.

Sports Tickets Available

The MSU Texas athletic teams have been busy, and tickets are available to upcoming events. All tickets must be purchased online to maintain 25% occupancy standards. For more information, call ext. 4779.

Corbin Bloodworth Proud of Succeeding at his Hometown University

Corbin Bloodworth plans to travel the world in the future, but the 2020 Outstanding Management Student and Fall 2020 Midwestern State University graduate chose his hometown school for college. He says his parents inspired him with their belief in his abilities. “Without them and their support, I would not be where I am today, so I dedicate my graduation to them and hope I have made them proud.” Learn more about Corbin's story at MSU Texas News.

WELCOME

Nathaniel Brown
Assistant Coach, Football

Brooklyn Martin
Police Telecommunicator

Ismael Peoria
Veterans Affairs Counselor/Degree Audit Specialist

Jeffrey Brasher
Assistant Professor, Curriculum and Learning

Wendy Risner
Assistant Professor, Education - Counseling

Leslie Crosley
Administrative Assistant, Registrar

Tammylee Watford
Police Telecommunicator

Tanya Rose
Assistant Professor, Nursing

Lidia Garcia
Visiting Instructor, ATRN

Sandra Groth
Visiting Instructor, Nursing

Britney Maldonado
Administrative Assistant, Residence Life and Housing

Regina Bolin
Assistant Sports Information Director

Kenley O’Brien
Assistant to the Registrar

JOBS

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Payroll Assistant
Department: Payroll
Starting Date: As soon as possible
Starting Salary: $2,443.08 monthly, plus benefits