

COMING UP

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

**Women's Golf at West Texas A&M
Fall Invitational**

All day Amarillo, Texas

**Men's Golf at Ryan Palmer
Foundation Invitational**

All day Amarillo, Texas

OSPR Faculty Research Workshop
2-3 p.m. Ferguson 201

Last Lecture Series: Jeff Hood
7 p.m. Legacy Multipurpose Room

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

Softball vs Western Oklahoma State
4 p.m. Mustangs Park

Volleyball vs Lubbock Christian
6 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

Men's Soccer vs. Dallas Baptist
7 p.m. Dallas, Texas

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

OSPR Faculty Research Workshop
9:30-12:30 p.m. Ferguson 201

MSU Texas Theater: *Hope and Gravity*
7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts
Center Theatre

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

**Women's Tennis
at Midwestern State Invitational**
All day MSU Tennis Courts

Opening Reception: Daisuke Okamoto
6-8 p.m. Harvey Art Gallery

MSU Texas Theater: *Hope and Gravity*
7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts
Center Theatre

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

**Women's Tennis
at Midwestern State Invitational**
All day MSU Tennis Courts

Cross Country at DBU Old Glory Gallop
TBA Grand Prairie, Texas

Women's Soccer vs. St. Edward's
Noon MSU Soccer Field

Men's Soccer vs. Oklahoma Christian
2 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

Football vs. UT Permian Basin
7 p.m. Memorial Stadium

MSU Texas Theater: *Hope and Gravity*
7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts
Center Theatre

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

MSU Texas Theater: *Hope and Gravity*
2:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts
Center Theatre

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AROUND CAMPUS

OSPR Faculty Research Workshops

Mark your calendar for this week's Office of Sponsored Programs and Research networking events and professional development opportunities.

Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2-3 p.m.,
Ferguson 201, Live and in-person only
Intramural Grants 101,
Brittany Norman, OSPR

Thursday, Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
(come and go), Ferguson 201,
Live and in-person only
*OSPR Coffee and Collaboration –
Informal networking event*
Courtney Hoover and Brittany Norman,
OSPR

Friday, Oct. 20, 1-2:30 p.m.,
Ferguson 201 or live via Zoom
*Faculty Research Workshop: Forming
Effective Collaborations*
Dr. Rick Nader, Global Proposal Solutions

Thursday, Nov. 2, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
(come and go), Ferguson 201,
Live and in-person only
*OSPR Coffee and Collaboration –
Informal networking event*
Courtney Hoover and Brittany Norman,
OSPR

Email sponsoredprograms@msutexas.edu
with any questions.

Last Lecture Series: Jeff Hood

Faculty-in-Residence Marcos Lopez and the Office of Residence Life and Housing invite you to attend the 2023-2024 Last Lecture Series, "Tangents: The Connections We Make," with Professor of Mathematics Jeff Hood at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, in the Legacy Multipurpose Room.

Hood received his Ph.D. in Computational Mathematics from North Carolina State University, his M.S. in Applied Mathematics,

and B.S. in Mathematics both from Texas Tech University. His research interests include Humanistic Mathematics, Nonlinear Analysis, and the Analysis of Discrete Close Curves. Hood has been at MSU Texas since 2005.

This series was inspired by a talk Professor Randy Pausch delivered at Carnegie Mellon University in 2008, which discussed everything he wanted his children to know after his pancreatic cancer had taken his life. In honor of Dr. Pausch, we hold our own Last Lecture Series here at MSU Texas. This is a series of lectures where highly regarded professors are asked to speak about what really matters to them in a hypothetical "last lecture." For more information contact housing@msutexas.edu or call 940-397-4217.

MSU Texas Theatre: *Hope and Gravity*

The MSU Texas Department of Theatre will present *Hope and Gravity* by Michael Hollinger at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 5-7, and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 8.

When an elevator crashes in a major city, nine lives intersect in surprising ways – through love and sex, poetry and dentistry, in offices, homes, and hotel rooms. By turns comic and profound, *Hope and Gravity* explores the interconnected lives of several characters whose paths cross unexpectedly and traces the barely perceivable threads that connect us all. Students, faculty, and staff admitted free. Tickets for the general public are \$10. Purchase tickets [online](https://www.msutexas.edu/tickets). Call ext. 4670 for more information.

Harvey Art Gallery Opening Reception: Daisuke Okamoto

The Juanita Harvey Art Gallery will host an opening reception from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6, for an exhibition by Los Angeles artist Daisuke Okamoto. Influenced by all that is sci-fi, Japanese nationalism, and psychedelic culture; Okamoto's drawings are intricate systems of penmanship. Raised in Tokyo, Japan, Okamoto represents the idea of the hybrid in both identity and transformation.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

Women's Golf at Farmers Insurance Sam Proal Invitational
All day Pubelo, Colorado

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

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All day Pubelo, Colorado

Meet @ Moffett Workshop

Noon Moffett Library

Music Series at Akin: Nakamatsu Trio

7:30 p.m. Akin Auditorium

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Women's Soccer at Oklahoma Christian
4:30 p.m. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Men's Soccer vs UT Tyler

5 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

Volleyball vs Eastern New Mexico

7:30 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

Women's & Men's Tennis at ITA Cup
All day Rome, Georgia

EURECA Posters on the Go

4-5:45 p.m. CSC Atrium

On the Wall Workshop:

Exploring Portraiture

5:30-7 p.m. WFMA at MSU Texas

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

Women's & Men's Tennis at ITA Cup
All day Rome, Georgia

Men's Tennis at MSU Texas Invitational

All day MSU Tennis Courts

Volleyball at West Texas A&M

6 p.m. Canyon, Texas

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

Women's & Men's Tennis at ITA Cup
All day Rome, Georgia

Men's Tennis at Midwestern State Invitational

All day MSU Tennis Courts

Women's Soccer vs Texas A&M International

1 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

Volleyball at Cameron

2 p.m. Lawton, Oklahoma

Men's Soccer at Texas A&M International

7 p.m. Laredo, Texas

Football vs Central Washington

7 p.m. Memorial Stadium

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Women's & Men's Tennis at ITA Cup
All day Rome, Georgia

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

Men's Golf at the Hrciar

All day Duncan, Oklahoma

Women's Golf at MSU Texas Invitational

All day Wichita Falls Country Club

Therapy Dogs at Moffett Library

6 p.m. Moffett Library

Drawn with a passion for mark making, Okamoto employs repetitive line drawing in ink, which can take years to create a single drawing. He has collaborated with Microsoft for their mural project and their Surface Pro 8. He has also done collaborative projects with PBS KCET in Southern California. His murals are in Los Angeles, Dallas, and Berlin. The exhibition will be on display through Nov. 3. Call ext. 4264 for more information.

Meet @ Moffett Workshop

Join Director of Tutoring and Academic Support Programs Ashley Hurst and Instruction Librarian Chris Depineda to discuss how the library and Texas Association of School Psychologists can support students on campus. Learn more about research resources, the new Moffett Library system, and how to succeed as a Mustang. There will be a Q&A portion and snacks provided. Call ext. 4698 for more information.

Music Series at Akin: Nakamatsu Trio

Midwestern State University's Music Series at Akin will open its 13th season with the Nakamatsu Trio. The trio includes returning guest Jon Nakamatsu on piano, violinist Jennifer Frautschi, and cellist Bion Tsang.

Nakamatsu was the 1997 gold medalist of the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. Frautschi has twice been nominated for Grammy awards and is artist-in-residence at Stony Brook University in Long Island, New York. Tsang also has been Grammy-nominated. He is the division head of strings at the Sarah and Ernest Butler School of Music at The University of Texas at Austin.

General admission tickets are \$23-25 and may be purchased by contacting the music department at 940-397-4267, or visiting msufineartstickets.universitytickets.com. Faculty/staff tickets are \$15. Students admitted free. Cash or check payments may be mailed to Music Series at Akin, MSU Department of Music, 3410 Taft Blvd., Wichita Falls, Texas 76308. Call ext. 4267 for more information.

EURECA Posters on the Go

EURECA scholars will show their in-progress research in an informal poster presentation from 4-5:45 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, in the Clark Student Center Atrium. Open to the campus community. Call ext. 6274 for more information.

WFMA: On the Wall Workshops

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will host two workshops on exploring portraiture. Workshops will be from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, and 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21. WFMA Education Coordinator Sara Griego will be the instructor. Materials are provided. Contact the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

CAMPUS NEWS

Assistance for student parents

At MSU Texas, we are increasing support for pregnant students and those with children under the age of 18. Being both a student and parent may develop strengths but it also presents unique challenges.

Assistant Director of MOSAIC Ruby Garrett will act as a parenting liaison to students who are parents of children under the age of 18 or expecting. The parenting liaison, along with the Title IX office, will work with students to make sure their needs are being met.

Learn more on [the parenting students webpage](#) about the liaison role and related Texas laws mandating accommodations for pregnant and parenting students.

If you work with student who is a parent or guardian of a child younger than 18 years of age or expecting a child, please refer them to [the self-disclosure form](#). This form is their opportunity to notify MSU Texas that they are a parenting or pregnant student or may need accommodation due to parenting or pregnancy-related issues.

Note that pregnancy and parenting statuses apply to both partners, regardless of sex or gender identity.

[Email Ruby Garrett](#) or call ext. 4500 for more information.

1922 Volunteers

1922 Volunteers organizers [Eric Lynch](#) and [Peter Fields](#) are excited by all the interest in volunteering at the Wichita Falls Area Food bank. They have a special request. If you have a large group of eight or more people, please contact the Food Bank at 940-766-2322 to make arrangements to come out as they need to be ready for a large cohort. It does not have to be a Thursday or Friday afternoon. Your group might like having its own day and time so much that it might become a regular thing. A number of MSU Texas groups have become regulars and have made it their tradition.

Call Lynch at ext. 4733 or Fields at ext. 4246 for more information.

MSU TEXAS CYCLING NEWS

MSU wins big at HHH

The 42nd Annual Hotter N' Hell Hundred bicycling race was a winning weekend for the MSU Cycling team as Pavle Kalaba, Jadiel Moreno, Mauri Maldonado, and Dušan Kalaba all won events. Read more about [MSU Cycling's performance](#) in the big race in the MSU Texas news.

BMX star Reno eyes cycling conference title

Jacelyn Reno likes wheels, adventure, setting goals, and speeding toward the finish line. And if one can see the world while accomplishing that, the Midwestern State University sophomore is up for that, too. Read more about [Reno's goals](#) at MSU Texas.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Respiratory Care 30-year anniversary

Established in 1993, the MSU Texas Respiratory Care Department has been at the forefront of exceptional respiratory care education for three decades. To mark this monumental milestone, the Respiratory Therapists Association, in collaboration with United Regional Health Care System, is hosting a free CEU conference for respiratory therapists from 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. on Oct. 27, 2023 at Centennial Hall. **Registration is open now through Oct. 23.**

Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Forum abstract deadline

The MSU Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Forum is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 16 in Clark Student Center. If you have an undergraduate research or creative project that you would like to share with the campus community, we invite you to submit an abstract.

Final abstracts for the 2023 UGRCAF are due on Thursday, Nov. 2, 2023. For additional information about guidelines, the abstract submission, and the event, see the [Undergraduate Call for Abstracts](#). [Email Julie Scales](#) or call ext. 6274 for more information or assistance.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Senior Respiratory Care Student **Amanda Hohlt** and faculty mentor **Tammy Kurszewski**, assistant professor of respiratory care, presented a poster titled "A Resonating Need: Deaf and Hard of Hearing Clinicians Bring Beneficial Attributes to Health Care" at the Texas Society for Advancement of Health Professions 45th Annual Conference, at Midwestern State University, Sept. 21-22.

Also at the conference, **Kurszewski**, Assistant Professor of Respiratory Care **Erica Judie**, and Associate Professor of Respiratory Care **Jennifer Anderson** presented "Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Respiratory Care Education." Conference presentations may be [viewed here](#).

An article by Assistant Professor of Sociology **Wesley Cohoon** will be published in the October issue of the *Journal of Autoethnography*. The article is titled "Managing Identity When Worlds Collide: Stigma Management at the Intersection of Socioeconomic Class, Incarceration, Vocation, and Religion."

You Make a Difference awards were presented to **Ronnie Freeman**, **Connie Nolan**, and **Sammy Smith**. Comments on the recipients include:

Ronnie Freeman: "Ronnie is always so helpful and fast at getting tasks completed when we need transcripts or anything for that matter for the readmission committee. They are essential to making processes easy and getting students taken care of."

Connie Nolen: "She is always ready to help out. She always has a positive attitude, and a pleasant personality."

Sammy Smith: "Sammy is an exceptional employee. He is always helpful and most of all, OUR FLOOR IS CLEAN (INCLUDING RESTROOMS)."

The next *Update* will be published Oct. 18, 2023. Please submit your information to public.information@msutexas.edu by **5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14**, to be included in the next issue.