COLA Weekly

November 1, 2019

Da da da, snap snap. Last night was Halloween and the premiere of **The Addams Family** in our festival playhouse, so I spent the evening with Gomez, Morticia, Wednesday, Uncle Fester and Lurch. What could be more fun? The show is a wonderful comedic romp, and tickets are still available at the Creative Arts Center box office. Treat yourself!

As always, there are many opportunities in COLA to learn from experts.



Golnaz Hashemzadeh Bonde, an Iranian-born, Swedish-trained economist and author of What We Owe, the winner of the Dayton Literary Peace Prize in Fiction, will be on campus November 4 for a conversation. She will talk about her novel that explores the impact of Iran's Islamic revolution on a family of emigrants and exiles over three generations. Bonde will be joined by Wright State University faculty Alpana Sharma, English; Awad Halabi, Religion and History; and Jeannette Horwitz, English/LEAP to discuss the novel through the lenses of postcolonial literature, Islamic culture in exile, and contemporary Swedish culture and literature, among other topics and themes.

This event is free and will take place on Monday, November 4 from 11-12:15 in 163 A/B Student Union.

WSU's annual *Kristallnacht* commemoration will take place Wednesday November 6 at 7:30pm in 156 Student Union, and will feature Samuel Heider's memoir, *Miracle of Miracles: A Dayton, Ohio Man's Story of Holocaust Survival*, with his collaborator, Stevie Ann Kremer. A book signing will follow. For more information, please contact Prof. Mark Verman, 937-275-5309. This event is free and open to the public.



We also have the opportunity to learn from our own experts about the American Response to the Crisis in Syria. A panel discussion with Dr. Liam Anderson, School of Public and International Affairs; Dr. Vaughn Shannon, SPIA; and Dr. Awad Halabi, History/Religion will address the questions Why is Syria in civil war? Why did Turkey invade? Why did the U.S. evacuate from Syria? Who are the Kurds and did the U.S. abandon them? The discussion will take place on Wednesday, November 6 from 12:30-2 in 022 Oelman.



Our colleagues in the College of Science and Math will offer another **Innovation**Weekend from November 15-17. This hands-on, problem solving event for students will focus on designing ways to use technology to help people that need assistance in living alone. The primary focus is on the elderly, but the students will also consider assisting people with disabilities of any type that might limit their autonomy. Please encourage your students to register at wright.edu/innovation, and if you are interested in the topic and would like to help out as a judge or mentor, just let me know.

This week's member of the Dean's Student Advisory Board (DSAB) is Meera Patel. Meera is a senior majoring in Political Science. In April 2019, she participated at the National Model UN Conference in New York as a delegate representing Poland. Currently, she is a university writing coach, a member of several clubs on campus, including the Philosophy Club, MMA Club, and an active volunteer in the greater Dayton community. Through her legal internship during Summer 2019 at the Federal Building (Chambers of Michael J. Newman), Meera worked with the Volunteer Lawyers Project, and acted as a Mock Trial judge. An aspiring attorney and judge, Meera is driven by empowering women and minority communities.



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Linda Caron, Dean College of Liberal Arts

Upcoming Events

Susan Chrysler white: Like Oil for Water, runs through Sunday, December 8, 2019, Robert and Elaine Stein Galleries, Creative Arts Center

Graduate Recital: Bethany Rose, Violin, Saturday, November 2, 2019, 3:00 p.m., Schuster Hall, Creative Arts Center

Women's Chorale, Wednesday, November 6, 8:00 p.m., Schuster Hall, Creative Arts Center

WSU Opera Theatre presents Opera Scenes, Saturday, November 9, 8:00 p.m., Schuster Hall, Creative Arts Center



CLASS CORNER

Leveraging Social Media for the Job/Internship Search

Thursday, November 7, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. 106 Millett Hall

Salary and Benefits Negotiations Tuesday, November 12, 2:15 p.m. -3:15 p.m., 106 Millett

IUS Secret Service Career Networking Event

Thursday, November 14, Noon to 1:30 p.m., 109 Oelman Hall