

Folk art center grand reopening slated for Friday

Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center will have its grand reopening celebration on Friday, Feb. 8, from 6-8 p.m.

It will be the public's first opportunity to view the Center's newly redesigned exhibition of folk art from Kentucky.

The original Permanent Exhibition was installed in 1997. While there had been some changes over the past 10 years, the general layout of the exhibition space had remained the same. The new Permanent Exhibition presents the artwork in more intimate settings and will offer more flexibility.

"It was time for change," said Adrian Swain, KFAC's artistic director. "Folk art in Kentucky is always evolving. We needed to configure our space in a way that would give visitors a sense of change. We needed to present the works from our Permanent Collection in a more engaging way, and I certainly think we've accomplished that. The new exhibition takes things to the next level."

"This project has been as exciting as anything we have undertaken in my five years at KFAC," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "It's been a decade since we made major changes to the Permanent Exhibition. Our staff pulled together and did a fantastic job. And, we had the support of our Friends and Morehead State. The new exhibition is wonderful."

The exhibition "Folk Art from Elsewhere" also will open on Feb. 8. It will be in the second floor Adkins Gallery and features more than 80 works from the Permanent Collection by artists from other states.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is located at 102 W. First St. in Morehead.

Additional information is available by calling 783-2204.

Study abroad

Students and others who dream of traveling the world but don't know exactly how to realize that dream may find some answers at an upcoming informational session at MSU.

A Study Abroad Fair will be held Wednesday, Feb. 6, in room 302 of the Adron Doran University Center. From 4-6 p.m., interested students, faculty and staff members can get information on the educational enrichment opportunities available globally through MSU's Office of International Education.

Representatives will be on hand to discuss international studies options for fall, spring, summer or year-long terms, and also exchange programs and internships. Additionally, attendees can learn about specific academic programs, courses and financial aid.

"This is an opportunity for students, faculty and employees to learn more about opportunities for earning credit while traveling and living in other places - both across the United States and in other countries," said Dr. Sam Faulkner, associate professor of social work and interim director of international education.

Study abroad programs are offered at more than 30 locations, including Ireland, Jamaica, Australia, Hong Kong and many other places. The application deadline for Summer 2008 programs is nearing.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of International Education at 783-2096; or e-mailing Dr. Faulkner at s.faulkner@moreheadstate.edu.

Dr. Faulkner is interim director

Dr. Sam Faulkner, associate professor of social work, has taken over the reins of MSU's Office of International Education as interim director.

As director, Dr. Faulkner will oversee the three main areas of the office: study abroad program opportunities; international students' enrollment/education at MSU; and the international scholars who come to campus for various educational programs. He said that currently, there are nearly 60 international students enrolled here, and that four Chinese visiting scholars are slated to arrive on campus in February.

"In addition, what I intend to do this semester is to look at three universities in the state that are really setting the bar high for international education and study abroad," he said. Dr. Faulkner plans to visit the campus of Northern Kentucky University, Murray State University and Western Kentucky University, and integrate some of their successful practices into Morehead State's educational program.

Dr. Faulkner received the Ph.D. degree from the School of Social Work at the University of Texas at Arlington, where he also earned a master's degree. Additionally, he is a two-time graduate of Texas A & M University at Corpus Christi, earning a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's degree in counseling. He holds licenses as a social work associate, a licensed chemical dependency counselor, and also is a certified oral board examiner for the state of Alaska. He has been on MSU's social work faculty since 2001.

His international education experience includes serving as a teacher in the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad (CCSA) England-Scotland program in 2004. He also was a facilitator for the London component for 2006-07.

"I'm really excited about international education in general, and am looking forward to helping our students to gain a more global perspective," he said. "I strongly believe that in our global economy, an appreciation of other cultures and other peoples is vital."

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Faulkner in the international education office at 783-2096.

Service awards

Several MSU employees were honored recently for attaining milestones in their years of service with the University.

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews congratulated each employee as he presented them with a service pin symbolic of the achievement.

Among those participating in the ceremony, and their years of service, were: Tonya Ashby, 5; Ricky Joe Williams, 20; Julia Hypes, 5; Matt Blanton, 5; and Joyce Meredith, 40.

Sharon Williams, 15; Kathy Cox, 20; Michael Hypes, 5; Joann Conley, 15; Sharri Jones, 10; Janet Gross, 25; and Jonell Tobin, 20.

Kenneth Fouch, 15; Jenny Duncan, 20; David Smith, 5; Andrea Cornett, 25; Jami Hornbuckle, 10; and Tom Kmetz, 10.

SOAR dates set

MSU will host five Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) programs in preparation for the 2008 Fall Semester for new first year and transfer students.

The 2008 SOAR dates are April 18 and 19, June 14 and 26; and July 22.

There will be an ice cream social at 7 p.m. the evening prior at the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC). Pre-registration is necessary.

Hornbuckle promoted to assistant VP

Jami M. Hornbuckle has been promoted to assistant vice president for communications and marketing at MSU.

A two-time MSU graduate, Hornbuckle has served as acting assistant vice president since May 2007 and led the merger of the University's marketing and communications administrative units.

"We are very pleased to recognize the creativity, professionalism and dedication that Jami brings to her work at the University," said Keith Kappes, vice president for university relations. "She was promoted on the basis of a national search that confirmed our belief that she is prepared and motivated for success in this important position."

Hornbuckle has served MSU for more than 10 years in various capacities, including student services and community relations coordinator at MSU at Ashland, institutional marketing director; assistant director of alumni relations, Web marketing director, and director of marketing.

Hornbuckle, a graduate of the 2007 President's Leadership Academy, is a campus liaison for the Governor's Scholars Program and a member of MSU's Society of Fellows and Visionary Society, President's Council, Strategic Enrollment Management Task Force, Spring Gala Steering Committee, Founders Day Committee, and Arts and Humanities Council. She was named Faculty/Staff Fundraiser of the Year in 1999.

She is the daughter of James and Pamela Hornbuckle of West Liberty and an alumna of Morgan County High School. She is active in the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and other professional and community organizations.

Additional information is available by calling 783-2372.

Instructor dies

Hollis D. (Wayne) Isham, 50, a nine-year member of the military science faculty at Morehead State University, was found dead Jan. 30 at his Lexington home.

Isham continued to teach ROTC cadets at MSU after retiring from the Army. He was employed by COMTek, a contractor which supplies senior instructors to college ROTC programs. A native of Harrodsburg and an MSU alumnus, Isham is survived by his parents, Clarence and Barbara Isham.

"Wayne was a fine soldier, a great instructor and a good person," said Maj. Max Ammons, MSU's professor of military science. "He will be greatly missed by our cadets and our staff."

A memorial service was held Feb. 6 on campus.

Film festival

MSU's Film Committee will present its Student Academy Award Winners Film Festival on Monday, March 3, 8 p.m. at Chakeres University Cinema on Main Street. The event is a collection of recognized cinema work by students - in a variety of genres and forms.

The Caudill College of Humanities, MSU Arts and Humanities Council, Department of Art and Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy are sponsoring the event, which is free and open to the public. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Bruce Engle, instructor of English, at 783-2324.

Americana 'Live' Job vacancies

Country group Jill Hamlin and Mountain Delivery, Americana duo Dana and Susan Robinson and Old-Traditional style Clack Mountain String Band, will perform at the next edition of "Americana Crossroads Live."

Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) and the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music will present the program on Friday, Feb. 29, at the Morehead Conference Center, located on First Street. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with the music to start at 7 p.m.

Jill Hamlin and Mountain Delivery, a Morehead-based group, has a lot of MSU flavor. Hamlin, of Owingsville, is featured on vocals and guitar.

Other members include: Dr. Marshall Chapman, professor of geology, featured on banjo and vocals; Jose Oreta, of Ashland, upright bass; Adam Chaffins, of Lousia, guitar and vocals; and Cody Brooks, of Nashville, Tenn., dobro.

Special guests will include: Steve DeBellefeuille, drums; Dr. Leo Blair, retired MSU music professor, violin; and Jay Flippin, retired MSU music professor, piano.

The Robinsons are based in Asheville, N.C. When attending one of their concerts, you'll hear two rich, intimate voices, intricate and powerful guitar and banjo playing with a handful of fiddle and mandolin thrown in.

Dana writes songs and tells stories about America, the land and its people. They bring to their performances an understanding of America's musical heritage and convey its significance to our culture.

A multi-instrumentalist (guitar, fiddle, mandolin, banjo), Dana brings traditional music values into his contemporary songwriting while Susan brings her rich harmonies and the clawhammer-style banjo.

The Clack Mountain String Band came to life in Morehead and pays tribute to the rich and vibrant musical sounds of southern Appalachia, a style of music which they simply refer to as "mountain music."

CMSB consists of four members Karly Higgins, guitar, vocals; Brett Ratliff, banjo and vocals; J.T. Cure, upright bass; and Jesse Wells, fiddle.

"Americana Crossroads Live" is supported by Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky, Morehead Conference Center, Morehead Tourism Commission and EAT Gallery. Community partners include the Kentucky Folk Art Center, MSU's Caudill College of Humanities, Arts and Humanities Council, Office of Communications and Marketing, Root-A-Baker's, and Papa John's.

The series is now heard on 38 radio stations across the United States, Canada and in the Philippines.

Concessions and door prizes will be available. Admission is \$5 per person, or \$20 for a Family Pack of five. Children, 12 and under, are admitted free.

Additional information on "Americana Crossroads Live" is available on MSPR's Web site at www.msuradio.com or by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659.

INTERNAL

Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of Student Life, Office of Student Life. To ensure consideration, apply by March 1.

EXTERNAL

Chief of Police, University Police. Review of applications began Jan. 19 and will continue until the position is filled.

Assistant or Associate Professors of Science Education and Physical Science or Earth/Space Science (Tenure Track, Two Positions), Department of Physical Sciences beginning Aug. 7. Review of applications began Jan. 30 and will continue until positions are filled.

Search Extended. Heating and Water Plant Trainee or Operator I, II, or III, Facilities Management. To ensure consideration, apply by Feb. 12.

Building Services Technician, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies. To ensure consideration, apply by Feb. 15; however position will be open until Dec. 31.

Elmer & Donna Smith Endowed Faculty Chair, College of Business and Department of Information Systems beginning August 2008. Review of applications will begin March 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

Search Extended. Clinical Director, University Counseling Center. Review of new applications will begin March 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

Distance Instruction Librarian I or II, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by April 11.

Internal applicants should obtain a copy of the job opportunity posting from the Office of Human Resources indicating the application materials required for each position. Official transcripts are required for administrative positions. A keyboarding exercise is required for secretarial, clerk/typist and dispatcher positions and must be completed prior to the position closing date. To register for this keyboarding exercise, contact the OHR at 783-2097.

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Workshop held

MSU's Small Business Development Center hosted an "Introduction to QuickBooks" workshop for 13 prospective and current small business owners.

The workshop was presented at MSU's Regional Enterprise Center at West Liberty and conducted by David Byron, CPA and certified QuickBooks trainer.

"QuickBooks is a popular, low cost, financial accounting and management system for small businesses. The course is designed to help business owners better manage their company finances," said Michael Rodriguez, SBDC consultant at the REC.

Happenings

Thursday, Feb. 7

Art exhibit: "Self-Evident: Contemporary Exploration of Self-Portraiture," main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, exhibit runs through Feb. 20.

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Southeast Missouri State University, Academic-Athletic Center, 5:15 p.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Southeast Missouri State University, AAC, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 9

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Murray State University, AAC, 2 p.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Murray State University, AAC, 4:15 p.m.

Rifle: Ohio Valley Conference champion ships, Button Rifle Range, 8 a.m., also Feb. 10.

Tuesday, Feb. 12

Book discussion on "Water Street" by Crystal Wilkinson, author and visiting professor, fifth floor, Camden-Carroll Library, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 14

50th Annual Concert Band Clinic, for high school students, Baird Music Hall, through Feb. 17.

Health Fair, second floor, Adron Doran University Center, 11 a.m.

Symposium set

The Ninth Annual Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium will take place Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center in Prestonsburg. The theme of this year's program is "WOMEN!!! - The New Majority."

The cost of the event is \$25, which includes all workshops and meals. All women are invited to this event presented by MSU's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center. Participants will choose from two workshops: "Acupoints for Health and Wellness and Self-Protection" presented by Toufic Saad, acupressure therapist; or "Identity Theft: Fighting Back" presented by Steve Spahn, U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigations special agent.

All participants will hear two keynote speakers. Dr. Baretta Casey, director of the University of Kentucky Center for Excellence in Rural Health, and Jackee Schwartz, owner of How2Think.com.

Registration, breakfast and exhibitor networking will run from 8-9 a.m.

Additional information and registration is available by calling the East Kentucky SBDC at (606) 788-6022 or (606) 432-5848.

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