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**GENERAL UPDATES**

ASC SAC UPDATE

The Arts and Sciences Staff Advisory Council (SAC) wants to hear from you! We know you have questions, and might not know who to ask. We bet you have some great ideas on staff events, staff development, and training opportunities. Email your questions, ideas, or suggestions to the SAC at [ASCSAC@osu.edu](mailto:ASCSAC@osu.edu). Questions and answers as well as other helpful information will be posted on the new [Staff Advisory Council Answer Page](#).

FREE HEARING SCREENINGS

The Ohio State Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic is offering free hearing screenings to Ohio State faculty, staff, and their families on Wednesday, October 27 in room 141 Pressey Hall on west campus. To schedule an appointment, contact Shannon Hand, clinic office manager, at (614) 292-6251.

FACULTY/ STAFF SPOTLIGHT: Gene Friley: Garden Delights

**Professor Emeritus Eugene Friley, with the help of Biological Sciences' Greenhouse Supervisor Joan Leonard**, has created, [Garden Delights](#), an enchanted space where art and nature merge. You may enjoy this quiet haven in the Hopkins Hall Gallery through November 12. But don't wait; chances are you will want to return. Friley (BFA, '47, MFA, '49) taught in the ceramics program for more than forty years. His studio work includes ceramics, drawing, painting, public art, garden sculptures, fountains and innovative uses of ceramic materials. Figurative forms, playful organic designs, and nature's presence abound in his art and in this gallery-turned-garden celebration. Leonard, the *Queen of Green*, has lent her beautiful, exotic plants and talent for eye-catching arrangements to enhance many events around campus.

**NEWS**

• **Award-winning Faculty**

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**Leslie Alexander, associate professor, history**, is one of four honorees selected by University Outreach and Engagement, as "personifying the aim of Ohio State to improve lives through teaching, research, and service." Alexander studies African-American culture, nationalism, the creation of community, and political movements. Currently, she examines early African-American foreign policy.

**Harvey Graff, professor, English**, has been invited to join the Advisory Board of the Museum of Writing, an online, collaborative venture of the Institute of English Studies, University of London and Faculty of Information Studies and University Library, University of California/Los Angeles. The Museum's site is a resource for the history of writing from its origins onward.

**Mark Moritz, assistant professor, anthropology; and Ningchuan Xiao, associate professor, geography**, were awarded a five-year grant from the National Science Foundation's Ecology of Infectious Diseases Program, for their research on the transmission and maintenance of Foot and Mouth Disease Viruses in networks of livestock

movements in Cameroon.

## • Opportunities

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**Participants Needed For [Buck-I-Serve Alternative Break Program](#).** Buck-I-Serv sponsors more than 50 week-long, community-service trips annually to destinations outside Columbus during Winter, Spring, and Summer breaks. Sixteen trips are scheduled for December 11-18; dealing with issues including HIV/AIDS, homelessness, hunger, animal rights, and conservation. **Application Deadline is Oct. 22.**

**[SBS Diversity Postdoctoral Fellowships](#):** The Social and Behavioral Sciences (SBS) Diversity Postdoctoral Fellowship Program is now accepting applications for 2011 appointments. The Fellowship Program supports promising scholars committed to diversity in the academy and prepares them to enter tenure track faculty positions. Applications due February, 2011.

**[Student Technology Consultant Program](#):** The Student Technology Consultant Program, Center for the Study and Teaching of Writing, is available to help with instructional and research technologies. The program trains undergraduates to support technology use by arts and sciences faculty, staff, and graduate students.

**Join Ohio State's Sigma Xi Chapter:** The mission of this honorary, scientific society is to encourage and support students beginning their journey as scientists. Sigma Xi supports the Ohio Science Fair, provides financial support for undergraduate and graduate research, and sponsors "Science Cafes." For more information and member application, visit the Sigma Xi [web site](#).

## • Upcoming Events

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**Friday, October 22: [Fall Undergraduate Research Day and Student Poster Forum](#) at the Ohio Union.** A full day of research information and poster presentations beginning at 10:30 a.m., featuring faculty and student panels and presentations by the Office of International Affairs

**Friday and Saturday, October 22 – 23:** 41st Celebration of the [Department of African American & African Studies](#). The Department of African American African Studies kicks off a yearlong celebration with a symposium, *Africana Studies Building to Eternity: Reexamining the Past, Assessing the Present, and Envisioning the Future*, at the African American African Studies Community Extension Center.

**Thursday, October 21: [Marotta Hour](#)** at the OSU Urban Arts Space. Come downtown after work every third Thursday of the month, and check out new sounds curated by local musician and international composer Larry Marotta at the OSU Urban Arts Space. This month's *Marotta Hour* features guitar duos with Marotta and Mike Shiflet, and Marshall Rendina on piano, as they revisit and reinterpret 1960s performance art. Performance begins at 7:00 p.m. Free and open to the public.

**Tuesday, October 26: [Disability Studies](#)** hosts Joe Valente, assistant professor of education, Pennsylvania State University, reading from his work, *d/Deaf and d/Dumb: A Portrait of a Deaf Kid as a Young Superhero*, 311 Denney, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

**Thursday, October 28: [Urban Monthly Mix Exchange: The Music You Grew Up Listening](#)** at the OSU Urban Arts Space. Love sharing and making CD mixes? *Urban Monthly Mix Exchange* is an opportunity for the community to mingle, to discover new musical artists, and to exchange mix CDs with fellow music enthusiasts. This month's theme is "The Music You Grew Up Listening To." Event begins at 7:00 p.m. Free and open to the public.

**Friday, October 29:** The Diversity and Identity Studies Collective at OSU (DISCO) hosts "Beyond the Arizona Immigration Law: Policing Borders, Bodies, and Belonging," a symposium on contemporary immigration debates and their relevance and explores the ways that policing national borders links to policing of desirable and undesirable bodies. Ohio Union's Multicultural Center, 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. For more information, contact [ponce.8@osu.edu](mailto:ponce.8@osu.edu).

**Thursday, November 4: [Hair Works Reception](#)** at the OSU Urban Arts Space, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Celebrate City Center's third exhibition [Hair Works](#) featuring the art of Jonathan Geiger and Jane Tuss. Using hair as the primary

medium, the pair explores the contrasting qualities of hair as an intimate item of attraction and alien item of aversion. Free and open to the public.

**Friday, November 5: [Autumn Quarter Exhibitions Reception](#)** at the OSU Urban Arts Space, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. *State of the MFA* showcases a broad range of new and engaging works created by emerging artists currently in Masters of Fine Arts programs around Ohio. *Time-Sensitive*, presented by ROY G BIV Gallery for Emerging Artists, features ephemeral artwork that fades, disappears, or simply “ends” due to the materials or time that they inhabit. Free and open to the public.

## • **Arts and Sciences in the News**

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