

Events Set for May at CSUCI Include Authors, Art Exhibitions, Commencement Ceremony

Camarillo, Calif., April 30, 2008-California State University Channel Islands has several events scheduled for the month of May. The following information details some of the events faculty and staff have organized and scheduled that will be happening both on and off the CSUCI campus. Additional events are listed on the CSUCI Calendar, which can be accessed through a link on the home page of the University's Web site: <u>http://www.csuci.edu</u>.

May 1-Interview-style Candidates Forum

The League of Women Voters and California State University Channel Islands is hosting an interview-style candidates forum with Tony Strickland, Republican candidate, for State Senate District 19 from 4:45 to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 1. The event will be held in the Aliso Hall Auditorium on the CSUCI campus. The event is open to the public and the audience will be able to submit questions. The forum with Hannah-Beth Jackson, Democratic candidate, was held on Wednesday, April 30.

Limited parking is available on campus and is \$6 for a daily permit. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with shuttle service to and from the campus until 10 p.m. Riders should board the CSUCI VISTA BUS. There will be way-finding signage on campus directing attendees to parking and the event.

For more information contact Ceal Potts, Communication Specialist at CSUCI, 805-437-8940 or cecilia.potts@csuci.edu.

May 1-Authors perform at CSUCI

Authors Jack Lopez and Sean Carswell will perform their works at an event open to the public on Thursday, May 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Aliso Hall Auditorium on the California State University Channel Islands campus. There is no cost to attend.

Lopez is the author of the short story collection "Snapping Lines," which was inducted into the Latino Literary Hall of Fame in 2002, as well as the novel "In the Break," and the memoir "Cholos and Surfers: A Latino Family Album." Lopez is a professor at CSU Northridge.

Sean Carswell is the author of two novels and two short story collections. He will be reading from his new novel, "Train Wreck Girl." He teaches literature at CSU Channel Islands.

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For more information contact Sean Carswell, English Lecturer, at 805-437-3189 or sean.carswell@csuci.edu

May 1-CSUCI Exhibitions features: 'TRICHOTOMY: One song-three visions'

CSUCI Exhibitions gallery in Camarillo announced its next "short-term" show will be a student-curated exhibition of 63 Ventura and Los Angeles based artists. The show will begin Thursday, May 1 and continue through Friday, May 9. There will be a reception for the artists at the gallery from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 1. The reception is open to the public.

CSUCI Exhibitions is located at 92 Palm Drive in "Old Town" Camarillo, Calif., 93010. Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"Trichotomy: One Song-three visions" features 63 writers, designers, and photographers, who will respond to 21 specific musical selections. Songs such as the Beatles classic, "I Am the Walrus," Andrew Bird's "Don't Be Scared," and Feist's "I Feel It All" will provide the impetus for a diverse collection of writing, design, and photography. This interdisciplinary collaboration provides a captivating look at how inspiration is captured through music.

Participants will include CSUCI students, alumni, and faculty, as well as the advanced photography class from West Ranch High School in Valencia.

For more information contact the CSUCI Art Department, 805-437-8570, email: <u>art@csuci.edu</u>, or visit the Web site <u>http://art.csuci.edu/gallery</u>.

May 2, 7-9-President's Annual Celebration of Excellence events

The campus community and the public are invited to attend the President's Annual Celebration of Excellence. These events showcase the students, faculty, and staff at CSUCI and will take place on Friday, May 2, and then Wednesday, May 7 through 9.

Event Title: Honor's Convocation Day/date: Friday, May 2, 2008 Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Location: John Spoor Broome Library Plaza Description: The ceremony will honor students receiving University Honors, Program Honors, Mission Based Awards, the Silver Dolphin, the Dimensions of Development, and the Co-Curricular Portfolio. Parking: On-campus parking for this event is complimentary. Follow signs to designated parking areas. Contact: Amber Weir, Academic Events Coordinator, ext. 8548 or <u>amber.weir@csuci.edu</u> Event Title: Celebration of Faculty Scholarly Excellence

Day/date: Wednesday, May 7, 2008 Time: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Location: John Spoor Broome Library Exhibition Hall Description: This is the fourth annual Celebration of Faculty Scholarly Excellence held by the library. The event honors both scholarly and creative accomplishments of CI's faculty. There will be refreshment and numerous awards including the Library Legion of Honor, the Golden Mouse, and the Golden Hardrive.

Parking: Limited parking is available on campus and is \$6 for a daily permit. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with complimentary shuttle service to and from the campus until 10 p.m. Riders should board the CSUCI VISTA BUS.

Contact: Paul Adalian, Dean of the University Library, ext. 8577 or paul.adalian@csuci.edu

Event Title: Direct Access to the Muslim World - Dr. Fouad Bouguetta

Day/date: Thursday, May 8, 2008

Time: 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Location: John Spoor Broome Library, Room 1360

Description: The CSUCI Center for International Affairs to host Dr. Bouguetta, a Fulbright Scholar as part of the Fulbright Visiting Specialist Program: Direct Access to the Muslim World. Dr. Bouguetta is an Algerian sociologist with an expertise bridging the gap between traditionalists and modernists between the Muslim World and the West.

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Contact: Beth Hartung, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Center of International Affairs, ext. 3274 or <u>elizabeth.hartung@csuci.edu</u> or Amber Weir, Academic Events Coordinator, ext. 8548 or <u>amber.weir@csuci.edu</u>

Event Title: President's Circle Celebration of Campus Excellence

Day/date: Thursday, May 8, 2008

Time: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Location: John Spoor Broome Library Reading Room

Description: A campus wide exhibition showcasing the activities and accomplishments of the University.

Parking: Limited parking is available on campus and is \$6 for a daily permit. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with complimentary shuttle service to and from the campus until 10 p.m. Riders should board the CSUCI VISTA BUS.

Contact: Mitchel Sloan, Director of University Affairs, ext. 8916 or mitchel.sloan@csuci.edu

Event Title: Celebration of Student Research (sponsored by the Martin V. Smith School of Business and Economics)

Day/date: Friday, May 9, 2008

Location: John Spoor Broome Library Exhibition Hall

Time: 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Description: This event showcases faculty-mentored student research at CSUCI. Students will present more than 100 posters and 30 oral presentations. The event will also include an art installation and performances.

Parking: Limited parking is available on campus and is \$6 for a daily permit. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with complimentary shuttle service to and from the campus until 10 p.m. Riders should board the CSUCI VISTA BUS.

Contact: Cindy Wyels, Associate Professor of Mathematics, ext. 3260 or cynthia.wyels@csuci.edu

May 7-CSUCI Professor Frisch a guest on Illinois public radio program

Scott Frisch, Professor of Political Science at California State University Channel Islands, will be a guest on "Focus 580," a weekday broadcast from WILL-AM, the public radio affiliate at the University of Illinois' main campus in Urbana-Campaign. On Wednesday, May 7, Frisch will spend an hour with host David Inge discussing "The Making of the Federal Budget."

The show can be listened to online at <u>http://www.will.uiuc.edu/main/listen.htm</u>. The show is aired live, but can be listened to through the stations archives. The show's schedule for the week of May 5 will be posted on Monday, May 5. Check the schedule for the times when Frisch's interview will air.

May 15-'Cross Currents' exhibition opens at CSUCI Exhibitions gallery

CSUCI Exhibitions gallery in Camarillo has announced its next show will be a group photography exhibition featuring work by students from CSUCI, Ventura College, Oxnard College and Moorpark College. The exhibition is titled: "Cross Currents."

The show will begin Thursday, May 15 and continue through Friday, Aug. 29. In lieu of the usual opening reception, there will be a closing reception at the gallery from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 28. The reception is open to the public.

CSUCI Exhibitions Gallery is located at 92 Palm Drive in "Old Town" Camarillo, Calif., 93010. Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

This exhibition will be the first time artist/photographers from these four institutions will collaborate for a group exhibition.

For more information contact the CSUCI Art Department, 805-437-8570, email: <u>art@csuci.edu</u>, or visit the Web site <u>http://art.csuci.edu/gallery</u>.

May 17-2008 Commencement Ceremony

More than 7,000 people are expected to attend the 2008 Commencement Ceremony at California State University Channel Islands beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 17. The ceremony will be held in the South Quad on the CSUCI campus.

Special parking arrangements have been made for this event, and those with one-day Commencement parking passes will be given parking places on campus. Those without the one day parking pass should visit the Commencement Web page on the CSUCI Web site at <u>http://www.csuci.edu</u>. Details for parking arrangements can be found there.

For all other questions call the Commencement Hotline at 805-437-3100 or email <u>commencement@csuci.edu</u>

Through May 31-'New Abstraction' exhibition by CSUCI Professor Reilly

California State University Channel Islands Professor Jack Reilly's exhibition the "New Abstraction" at the Upfront Gallery in Ventura will continue through Saturday, May 31. Upfront Gallery is located at 267 South Laurel Street, 805-340-1448. Reilly is the Chair of the Art Program at CSUCI

The "New Abstraction" series is the quintessential example of Reilly's attention to structure and detail combined with elements of randomness and serendipity. Each painting consists of thousands of brushstrokes, painted in acrylic polymers and metallic pigments on a geometric shaped-canvas structure. Color compositions are emotional, intuitive and theoretical systems arranged in linear formats that interact with the shape of the canvas. The viscosity of Reilly's paint mixture/concoction results in fluid, wet-looking and reflective surfaces. It could be said that these new paintings pay a playful homage to nineteenthcentury Pointillism (without including any actual subject matter). However, these denselypolychromed works incorporate a cross-pollination of painting and sculpture. The paintings reappraise and comment on evolving issues that originated in twentieth-century abstract painting and continue into today's contemporary genres. Ultimately, these pieces are poetic objects of contemplation, a continuation of Reilly's explorations into the sensuality of color, luster and surface combined with the dynamic power of line and structure.

For more information contact the Upfront Gallery at info@upfrontgallery.org.

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CSUCI Mission Statement

Placing students at the center of the educational experience, California State University Channel Islands provides undergraduate and graduate education that facilitates learning within and across disciplines through integrative approaches, emphasizes experiential and service learning, and graduates students with multicultural and international perspectives.