

DEAN'S MESSAGE

THIS PAST MONTH has seen a rush of activity focused on Music Theatre and Crafts & Design. In recognition of the contribution made by the Heaslip family to the construction of J wing, the entrance to the Macdonald Heaslip Theatre was remodeled and redecorated. A tile recognizing the Heaslips has been placed in the floor opposite the entrance to the theatre, and a glass plaque designed and engraved by Jason Cornish celebrating their contribution was placed in the J-wing. A special thanks goes to all who worked on the project, particularly to Michael Maynard, who coordinated it from the School side.

We also had our Silent Night Auction in the Crafts & Design program on Nov 17. This took place in the Crafts wing in a congenial party atmosphere. A special thanks goes out to all who made that possible. Again, Michael Maynard played a significant role in helping coordinate this event.

We now face the mad rush to the end of the current academic semester. Final assesment of student work will be amplified by the need to post your grades on the PeopleSoft system so students can access their grade report by Dec 23. The grade entry window is from Dec 12-21. I would encourage you to begin entering your grades as soon as possible after classes end on Dec 16 so we can achieve this goal.

In the meantime I wish you the best for the upcoming holiday season and hope that the time you spend with family and friends will be rejuvenating.

- Dr Michael Collins

SCHOOL MEETING

Wednesday, December 21

NEWS & EVENTS

Onyx Corporation sponsored three Corporate Communications students to attend the "Canadian Journalists for Free Expression" dinner on Nov 1. Celebrated American investigative journalist Seymour Hersch was guest of honour at the event, attended by students Sarena Cole, Mark Elias and Alison Modesto.

William Arthurs Heaslip and Nona Macdonald Heaslip were honoured on Nov 9 with the dedication of Sheridan's theatre as Macdonald Heaslip Hall. The naming of the theatre commemorates their generous contributions to Sheridan's theatre programs over the past five years, which resulted in the construction of 27,000 square feet of new studio and workshop facilities for students in Sheridan's Music Theatre-Performance, Theatre Arts-Technical Production, and Performance Arts-Preparation programs.

Networking, professional development and reconnecting were all part of the Corporate Communications program's Alumni Event at Sheridan on Oct 29. This year's event focused on team building and was hosted by Michael Goran of CorpJesters. The event provided an opportunity for past and current students to build their networking skills and contacts.



Dean Michael Collins (above, left), School of Community and Liberal Studies Dean Linda Love and Associate Dean Michael Maynard at the preview of donated work at last month's Crafts & Design Silent Night Auction.

The ceramic work of Crafts & Design Ceramics studio head Bruce Cochrane and teachers Tony Clennell, Dale Perreira and Wendy Walgate are featured in the new book "Studio Ceramics in Canada: 1920-2005". The 311-page book is written by Gail Crawford, and published by Goose Lane Editions in association with The Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art.

Program Officer Lesley Brown-Paterson recently completed her Masters in Education degree, with a specialization in High/Scope educational curriculum. Lesley is the first Canadian to graduate from the online program at Nova Southeastern University, Florida.

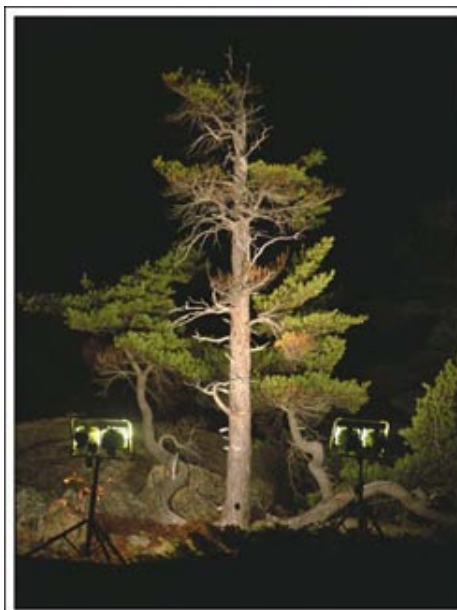
Crafts & Design students raised nearly \$20,000 last month at Textiles and Ceramics sales of their work, and the Silent Night Auction. The funds will be used for student scholarships and year-end exhibits.

Derek Lamb, long-time friend of Kaj Pindal and collaborator with him on the Emmy award winning film "Peep and the Big Wide World", died of cancer on Nov 5. Lamb won an Academy Award for his NFB film "Every Child", and a British BAFTA for his animated adaptation of Roch Carrier's classic children's story "The Sweater".

Art & Art History teacher Simon Glass lectured last month in conjunction with the group exhibit "Command J: Jewish Laws, Digital Arts" which ran from Oct 21 - Nov 20 at the XPACE Gallery, Toronto.



Corporate Communications alumni, faculty and students gather at their recent alumni event.



Art & Art History teacher Andrew Wright's recent images of pines and rock (above), using artificial light to reconstruct a sense of the "staged, the protected, the artificial, and the segregated", are on display at the Peak Gallery in Toronto until Dec 10. Also included in the exhibition are selections from his "Prairie Skies", a recent series of cloud imagery.

The photographic artwork of Art & Art History Co-ordinator John Armstrong (with Paul Collins) and Applied Photography teacher Rafael Goldchain is included in the new book "Image & Imagination". The 336-page book is edited by Martha Langford with commissioned essays by art historians and photographic theorists, and is published by McGill-Queen's University Press.

Funding has been an issue for several years at the Oakville Arts Council. Last month the volunteer Board resigned, citing insufficient funds to sustain operations through 2006, and recommended the Arts Council close its doors. A general membership meeting on Dec 13 will determine the future of the organization and its programming, including the annual Mayor's Awards for Business and the Arts, founded in 1989 by Sheridan's Skye Morrison.

Toronto's XEXE Gallery's second annual group exhibit, "Something for Everyone II", includes the work of glass artist and Crafts & Design graduate Brad Copping, and Art & Art History teacher Moira Clark. The exhibit continues until Dec 23.

The Art & Art History program has an active lunch-hour lecture series. Recent guests have included renowned Canadian painter Harold Klunder; independent British curator Dr. Sarah Cooke; Roger M. Buerger, artistic director of 'Documenta 12'; Dr. Ulf Wuggenig, gallery director at the University of Lüneburg, Germany; German photographer Peter Freitag; Ben Portis, Assistant Curator of Contemporary Art at the Art Gallery of Ontario; and Canadian artist John Dickson.

Jeff Banks, a recent Art Fundamentals graduate, has opened a children's art school in Oakville. "JB Arts" offers after-school classes in a variety of media.

Jennifer Noel Snell, a second-year student in the Crafts & Design Textiles studio, is one of six Sheridan students to win a Canada Millenium Foundation In-Course Scholarship. Recognizing Noel's impressive GPA of 4.0 and her extensive extra-curricular community involvement, last month the Foundation awarded her a \$5,000 scholarship, with another scholarship of the same amount to be awarded in 2006.

Bruce Cochrane participated in "The Art of Clay" at Waterloo's Harbinger Gallery last month. The group exhibit also included ceramists Les Manning, Walter Ostrom, Peter Powning, and Ann Roberts.

Sheridan has signed an articulation agreement with D'Youville College, a private liberal arts college founded in 1908 and located in Buffalo, NY. D'Youville offers a range of undergraduate and graduate degrees. Future graduates of Sheridan's BAA-Animation and BAA-Illustration degrees will be eligible to earn a Canadian Teacher Education certificate or an MS in Education.

Of note is that the 'two plus two' agreement with D'Youville allows students to attend Sheridan and then D'Youville - earning a baccalaureate degree in the process - for the same cost as four years at a Canadian university.

This agreement complements ones already in place with Canisius College and Daemen College of Buffalo. Both offer undergraduate and graduate degrees in education, with special consideration for Canadian students.

ARTS CALENDAR

CAMPUS GALLERY

Nov 25 - Dec 9

Art & Art History: Fall Review of Year 1 and Year 2 Work
An exhibit of recent student work from the 4-year program.

OAKVILLE GALLERIES

Nov 19 - Jan 15, 2006

Weathervane
This collaborative project of the Ottawa Art Gallery and Oakville Galleries looks at how contemporary artists think about the weather.

THE OAKVILLE CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Sat, Dec 14, 8 pm

*The Moscow Boys Choir:
Christmas Around the World*

Sat, Dec 18, 8 pm

Michael Burgess

THE POWER PLANT

Dec 10 - Mar 5, 2006

The Cold City Years
John Armstrong, Therese Bolliger and Louise Noguchi are part of this retrospective of Toronto's Cold City Gallery.