

MARCH 28, 2016

## Faculty Senate approves PSU STEM Institute

At its March 7 meeting, the Faculty Senate approved creation of a Portland State University STEM Institute. The new institute will coordinate University research and educational practices across colleges and schools with an aim of increasing the number of students successfully completing degrees in science, technology, engineering and math. [The proposal](#) originated in the work of the PSU STEM Task force and in the work of the Cradle to Career Initiative convened by the Provost's Office in 2010.

At that meeting, the Senate also approved a [Graduate Certificate in Global Supply Chain Management](#) and an Undergraduate Minor in Conflict Resolution. Both programs will become effective fall 2016.

## Sustainable Solutions announces grants, Faculty Fellow programs

The PSU Institute for Sustainable Solutions announced recently the re-launch of its [Faculty Fellows program](#) along with a new [faculty grant program](#) aimed at advancing research and academics on the theme of cities and sustainability. Both programs are open to any faculty member who has an interest in collaboration and sustainability. Faculty must submit an application to become an ISS fellow before applying for the grants program.

## Academic Affairs Budget Forum set for Thursday

The campus community is invited to an Office of Academic Affairs (OAA) Budget Forum from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 31, in 296 Smith Union. Provost Sona Andrews will share the status of the fiscal year 2016 Performance Based-Budget, the process for fiscal year 2017 OAA budget setting, and preliminary fiscal year 2017 estimates.

## Faculty members pass away

**Ron Narode**, Curriculum and Instruction associate professor, died Feb. 23 after a two-year battle with cancer. He was 62. Dr. Narode was a beloved teacher of math and science education for more than 25 years. A memorial service will be held on campus on July 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. Details to come. [READ MORE](#)

**Gary Perlstein**, professor emeritus of Criminal Justice, passed away on March 1 from kidney failure. He was 76. A faculty member for 30 years, Prof. Perlstein's expertise on terrorism was called upon following 9/11. A celebration of Prof. Perlstein's life was held the day before he passed. [READ MORE](#)

**Margorie "Marj" Enneking**, professor emeritus of Mathematics, passed away on March 13 after a brief illness. She was 74. Dr. Enneking taught at Portland State for 35 years, championing mathematics education in the Pacific Northwest. Her family held a memorial gathering on March 19. [READ MORE](#)

## Bring your kids to campus April 8

The Resource Center for Students with Children invites students, faculty and staff to "Bring Your Kids to Campus Day" on April 8. The resource center and departments around campus have organized events and activities to educate and entertain young children. [Activities are scheduled](#) in a flexible, drop-in way, so parents with their children may come and go as their schedule allows. Parents need to [register online for activities](#).

## French Film Festival at PSU

The Portland State French Film Festival will return for its fifth year from April 8-17 at the 5th Avenue Cinema on campus. This year's films are "Bande Des Filles" (Girlhood), "Bird People" (pictured above), "Les Combattants" (Love at First Fight), "Parce que j'étais peintre (Because I Was a Painter), "Timbuktu" and "Alphaville." The full screening schedule is available on the [festival's Facebook page](#). All films will be shown with English subtitles and admission is free, though donations are appreciated.

## Culture & Conversation events return

From hip-hop culture to alternative high schools and reproductive justice, this year's slate of Culture & Conversation events are designed spark dialogue around identity, equity and community. The series, presented by the School of Social Work, is entering its fifth year and will run throughout April. The first event, "NW Mixtape: Hip Hop Culture & Influences," is scheduled from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, 620 Academic and Student Rec Center. The full [Culture & Conversation schedule is available online](#), and all events are free and open to the public.

## Art+Design open house, FLUX exhibits

Join the School of Art+Design in celebrating its programs and students on Wednesday, March 30, from 6 to 10 pm. at the Art Building, 2000 SW Fifth Ave. The school's Art Practices, Art Practices, and Graphic Design programs will each present exhibits. This is also the first night of the FLUX Portland: SGCI 2016 printmaking conference and its [portfolio exhibits](#) in the Art Building Lobby Gallery and in Neuberger Hall and Smith Union galleries.

## Donate online to PSU Food Pantry

The PSU Food Pantry, located in 325 Smith Union, provides more than 3,000 pounds of food each week to PSU students in need. Provisions bought by the pantry are funded solely by donations, which can now be made online by clicking "Give Now" on the [food pantry website](#). The pantry also accepts donations of non-perishable food items at locations around campus. [READ MORE](#)

## Order course materials from Bookstore

Textbook and supply course material adoptions for spring and summer terms are still being accepted by the PSU Bookstore. Fall term adoptions are due April 15. There are four ways to submit adoptions: a [new web form](#) that requires no login; through the [PSU Bookstore website](#)/Faculty Services/Online Adoptions; by email at [theportlandstatebookstore@gmail.com](mailto:theportlandstatebookstore@gmail.com); and in person at the store, 1715 SW Fifth Ave. Store director Cory Adamski may be reached at [cadamski@follett.com](mailto:cadamski@follett.com).

## Virtual symposium on community-based learning April 6

Portland State and Troy University have partnered to present a virtual symposium on community-based learning and its virtual possibilities from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, broadcast in the Office of Academic Innovation large conference room. The symposium features keynote speaker Jean Strait of Hamline University, a founder of eService-learning and author of eService-Learning: Creating Experiential Learning and Civic Engagement Through Online and Hybrid Courses. [Learn more and register for the event on the OAI website](#).

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### EVENTS

**March 29**  
[Women's History Month: Black Women in Civil Rights](#)

[PSU Community Chorus first spring rehearsal](#)

[OAI Faculty Workshop: D2L Basics](#)

[HR Healthy, Wealthy: Oregon Savings Growth Plan](#)

[Recent Fieldwork in Ancient Thebes by the University of Arizona Egyptian Expedition](#)

**March 30**  
[Women's History Month: No Más Bebés](#)

[The Pacific is Not a Barrier: Unexpected Crossings Between the Japanese and the French Auto Industries, 1952-2016](#)

[OAI Faculty Workshop: PebblePad Overview](#)

[School of Art+Design Open House](#)

[FLUX: PORTLAND Opening reception](#)

[Transference Exhibit Reception](#)

[Remote Impressions: Works from Crow's Shadow Press Reception](#)

**March 31**  
[Academic Affairs Budget Forum](#)

[Performance Series: Percussion](#)

[Women's History Month Presents: Beyonce's Visual Album](#)

**April 1**  
[Center for Public Interest Design Talks: Alejandra Ruiz](#)

[Women's Resource Center Open House](#)

[Carthage Re-imagined: The Archives of Father Alfred Louis Delattre and the Missionaries of Africa at Carthage \(1870-1970\)](#)

**April 2**  
[Zheng and Erhu: A Dialogue Between the Strings](#)

[2nd Annual Celebrating Public Service: Inspire the Future, Reception & Awards Ceremony](#)

[Firefighters, Architects and Engineers Expose 9/11 Myths](#)

[Party with Opera Star Frederica von Stade](#)

**April 3**  
[Frederica von Stade: Master Class](#)

### PEOPLE

[Tina Burdsall](#), [Daniel Jaffee](#), [Jennifer Morse](#), [Vivek Shandas](#), [Michael J. Smith](#), [Gerry Sussman](#), [Beth Unvrzagt](#), [Erica Wagner](#)

### PRESENTED

[Shelby Anderson](#), [Berrin Erdogan](#), [Eric Homes](#), [Maura Kelly](#), [Andrew Job](#), [Meg Merrick](#), [Mellie Pullman](#), [Tanya Romaniuk](#), [Alex Stepick](#), [Kate Vance](#), [JJP Veerman](#), [B.D. Wortham-Galvin](#)

### PUBLISHED/EXHIBITED

[Kathi Inman Berens](#), [Amy Borden](#), [Robert Boyd](#), [Alan Cabelly](#), [Heejun Chang](#), [Douglas Deur](#), [Virginia Butler](#), [Kimberly Kahn](#), [Emiko Konomi](#), [Carmen Ripollés](#), [Max Rudolph](#), [Lauren Simon](#), [Sue Taylor](#), [Eva Thanheiser](#), [Donald Truxillo](#)

### GRANTS

[Steven Boyce](#), [Maura Kelly](#), [Lindsey Wilkinson](#), [Bob Liebman](#), [Paul Loikith](#)

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