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Bee Fest is the buzz at TU Ambler

Temple joins with the Montgomery County Beekeepers' Association to host honey bee symposium

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Take a bite out of a succulent Georgia peach. Enjoy a tall, cool glass of orange juice with breakfast. Taste the sweet mess of a watermelon at your next picnic.

Now thank the honey bee buzzing by you for all of the hard work it has put into ensuring that you have so much produce available year round.

"Honey bees are particularly important to agriculture in Pennsylvania and the nation," said Mark Antunes, president of the Montgomery County Beekeepers' Association. "They pollinate one third of all the food crops that we consume — from fruits and vegetables to nuts and seed plants. One out of every three mouthfuls of food we eat has been pollinated by honey bees. If they were to seriously decline or die out, the impact upon agriculture in the U.S. and the world would be devastating. The cost of food would rise and our crops, in terms of quality and quantity, would decline rapidly."

To promote awareness of the importance of bees, this weekend Temple joins with the Montgomery County Beekeepers' Association to host the Southeastern Pennsylvania Honey Bee Symposium, or simply, "Bee Fest." The event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Ambler Campus Learning Center.

Bee Fest will bring together authors and experts to offer presentations about the state of honey bees in the region and across the nation. Beekeepers, gardeners, and others interested in learning more about the importance of honey bees are expected to attend. Speakers will include Mike McGrath, host of WHYY Radio's

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Ambler Arboretum horticulturists, below with veteran beekeeper Vincent Aloyo, began tending their own honey producing hives last spring.

Photos by Jim Duffy



Announcement

New task force targets dysfunction

A new task force chaired by President Ann Weaver Hart aims to eliminate or change ineffective and outdated university procedures.

Comprising 20 representatives of faculty, staff and students, the "Dysfunctional Rules Task Force" will review nominations of business practices submitted by members of the university community and determine whether they can be revised or eliminated. The committee will focus its efforts on dysfunctional rules: those that are not effective in achieving their intended purpose or that once served a legitimate need but have outlived their original purpose.

The new initiative is aimed at increasing administrative efficiency, eliminating redundancy and ultimately saving time and money.

"Especially in today's challenging economic times, we must do everything we can to contain administrative costs," said Hart. "Rules and policies develop organically over time and can become ingrained in the culture and continue to be enforced long after most people remember why they even existed. This initiative will help eliminate unnecessary red tape and update procedures that have passed their useful life. This will allow us to focus our efforts and resources on better serving our students and other important constituents."

The initiative builds on work done by a sub-group that explored university bureaucracy as part of the planning phase for the Academic Strategic Compass. According to Faculty Senate President Karen M. Turner, who was part of the group, the experience was valuable in identifying problems and issues for further exploration and action.

"It was cathartic, because this was one of the first times a lot of these problems were getting an airing," said Turner. "We put a spotlight on them so that they could be fixed — some with very little effort. But we wanted to make sure it didn't stop there."

Turner said the group felt strongly that there should be a mechanism through which members of the university community can provide feedback over time. The new initiative provides that capability through an online form located on the university portal. Faculty, staff and students can submit rules or policies for consideration via an online form accessible from the TU Portal, <https://tuportal.temple.edu>.

The task force will begin reviewing submissions later this month. ♦

Announcement

Call for faculty award nominations

Temple President Ann Weaver Hart, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Lisa Staiano-Coico and Senior Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Faculty Affairs Diane Maleson are seeking nominations for a variety of annual awards honoring Temple's finest teachers, researchers, creative artists and clinicians.

With the application process for 2010 faculty awards in full swing, here is a one-stop-shopping guide to the most prominent awards for faculty achievement for which full-time Temple faculty members are eligible: the Great Teachers Award, the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching, the

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Dell chairman talks shop with MIS students

Michael Dell, chairman and chief executive of Dell Inc., visited Temple's Fox School of Business on Monday, Oct. 5.

Dell was greeted at an informal reception with 35 to 40 faculty members and university officials before he met with a select group of Fox School Management Information Systems students.

A large question-and-answer session followed in the auditorium of Alter Hall, the new state-of-the-art home of the Fox School.

An estimated 300 people gathered for the discussion, while an overflow crowd watched a live simulcast of Dell's appearance from Alter Hall's first-floor student lounge.

Dell founded his company in 1984 with \$1,000. Eight years later, he became the youngest CEO of a Fortune 500 company, according to his official biography. In March, Forbes ranked Dell as the 25th richest person in the world, with



Ryan S. Brandenburg/Temple University

Michael Dell, chairman and chief executive of Dell Inc., meets with Fox School Management Information Systems students during an Oct. 5 visit.

a net worth of \$12.3 billion. The 44-year-old Dell was the youngest person to make the top 25. Microsoft founder Bill Gates, 53, topped the list.

Dell also visited Temple in August 2006 to tour the TECH Center, a 75,000-square-foot

technology building that features Dell computers.

Timothy O'Rourke, Temple's vice president of Computer and Information Services and a Fox faculty member, facilitated Dell's visit.

— Brandon Lausch

NewsBriefs

Employees and departments relocating

Over the next several months, approximately 800 employees from a number of Temple departments will be relocating across Main Campus and to the Temple University Administrative Services building (TASB).

The moves set the stage for the future of Temple's campus development, which will include the demolition of the University Services Building (USB) scheduled to occur over the December holiday break. Plans for the site, located on Broad Street between Cecil B. Moore Avenue and Oxford Street, include both student housing and retail.

The moves start today with Institutional Advancement staff currently located in USB and 1938 Liacouras Walk relocating to TASB, at 24th and Hunting Park, a facility rented and occupied by Temple University Health System since 2007. Other departments moving to TASB are Internal Audits; Purchasing; Grant and Cost Accounting; Creative Services; Human Resources Development and Support; Accounts Payable; TU Press; and the Physician Practice Plan Administrative staff. Human Resources, Accounts Payable, Purchasing and Accounting will continue to have a presence on Main Campus.

Phone numbers will change for the relocated employees and departments, but current phone numbers will be forwarded for the next six months.

Look for more details in a future issue of *Temple Times*.

Temple Alum donates show tickets to students

Free tickets to Billy Crystal's show courtesy of Temple alumnus, Larry Magid, were gone in a flash last week. Magid, president and co-founder of Electric Factory Concerts, and a graduate of Temple's School of Communications and Theater, donated more than 200 tickets for students to enjoy the comedian's one-man show at the Merriam Theater this month. Over the past 40 years, Magid, a member of SCT's alumni Hall of Fame, has produced more than 15,000 shows including Live AID and Live 8.

Law receives \$1.3 million to start consumer law project

The Beasley School of Law has received \$1.3 million to create a consumer law project, thanks to a successful petition by two of its alumni in a class action suit.

The donation will support a course in consumer law and expanded student clinical and experiential opportunities in the areas of predatory lending, consumer bankruptcy, consumer credit, consumer fraud, mortgage foreclosure and tax preparation assistance. The award will also enable the law school to partner with legal agencies in the community where students will gain hands-on experience as advocates for neighbors particularly vulnerable to victimization during these difficult economic times.

As co-lead counsel in the class action suit Carnegie vs. Household International and H&R Block, Carolyn Lindheim '87 and Steven Angstreich '70, both of Weir & Partners' Philadelphia office, successfully petitioned to have \$1.3 million of unclaimed funds donated to the school.

Provost's collection celebrates student creativity

Program showcases the work of student artists from throughout the university

On their way to their permanent homes at Temple, the eclectic works of the Provost's Art Collection, which range from sculpture to jewelry-making to fine arts, were displayed at the Paley Library from Oct. 1st to 2nd. Each of the pieces was personally chosen for the collection by Provost Lisa Staiano-Coico, including the bracelet made by Joshua DeMonte (Tyler, MFA '08) shown at right.

"The art of these students shows Temple at its best, a place where young artists can find opportunities for success and an arts destination for the greater community," said Staiano-Coico at a reception honoring the student work as well as Temple arts faculty.

"It's an honor to have people coming to see my work and to have my painting affiliated with Temple," said Chris D'Antonio (Tyler, BFA '08), another one of the students showcased in the show. His oil and acrylic triptych (shown in the background) will remain on

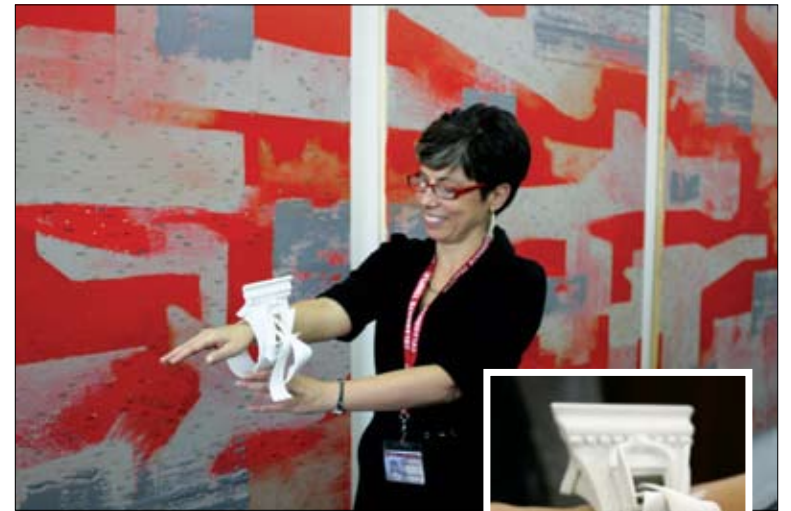
permanent display at the library.

For many of these young student artists, being in the show generated the first paycheck they have ever received for their work.

"This is the time to get artwork — when the talent of students is blossoming," said Temple art consultant Jeanne Pond. "How terrific it is to take advantage of this unique time, showcase Tyler students and celebrate the move of the art school to main campus."

The collection was organized by Stephanie Knopp, chair and professor of graphic arts and design and a member of the Provost's Art Commission, which generated the idea as part of its efforts to create increased awareness of Temple as an arts destination. The commission also aims to extend the reach of the arts on campus.

"Under Provost Lisa's encouragement, the whole concept of the arts at Temple has broadened and the membership of the commission this year reflects that



Jason Farris
Standing in front oil and acrylic triptych by Chris D'Antonio (Tyler, BFA '08), Provost Lisa Staiano-Coico models a bracelet (shown right) made by Joshua DeMonte (Tyler, MFA '08).

interdisciplinary focus," said the group's chair Roberta Sloan, who is also a theater professor and this year's faculty arts fellow.

Showing its breadth, the Provost's Art Commission now includes environmental design, architecture and creative writing as well as art, music, dance, theater, film and

television, and its advisory board includes representatives from both the honors program and computer information sciences.

"We look forward to expanding the collection to other areas in the arts, and to growing it every year," said Sloan.

— Lisa Z. Meritz

At Ambler, an event for those sweet on honey bees

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"You Bet Your Garden," Maryanne Frazier, Penn State senior extension associate, and Jim Bobb, chairman of the Eastern Apicultural Society and past president of the Pennsylvania State Beekeepers Association.

Sessions will focus on honey bee biology, native pollinators and plants, pesticides and other threats to honey bee health. Recent phenomena include the mysterious Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD), in which bees vanish from their home colonies without a trace or obvious cause.

Temple's Ambler campus has a long history with the study and maintenance of honey bees. Beekeeping was a traditional course of study for students of the Pennsylvania School of Horticulture for Women, forerunner of Temple University Ambler. Last spring, Ambler Arboretum horticulturalists began their own honey producing hives. The five hives, which began with 40,000 bees and have now reached 150,000 bees — including five queens — are tended by Vincent Aloyo, a member of the



Vincent Aloyo, a member of the Montgomery County Beekeepers' Association; Grace Chapman, Horticulture and Arboretum supervisor; Kathryn Reber, staff horticulturist; and Jennifer Topper, junior Horticulture student.

Jim Duffy

Montgomery County Beekeepers' Association from Blue Bell, who is training Grace Chapman, TU Ambler's horticultural technician supervisor, and Kathryn Reber, horticultural technician, in their proper care.

"Beekeeping is steadily becoming more popular for public gardens, and it's a nice connection with our heritage as a campus," said Chapman. "Our bees have certainly been visiting all of our

gardens; the Wetland Garden and the Community Garden, where our students, faculty and staff grow their own vegetables, seem to be particularly popular."

Chapman added that funds from the sale of honey produced by the bees in July and August will be used to purchase more hives, and that honey sales provide another opportunity to increase awareness about the importance of honey bees and beekeeping.

According to the beekeeper association's Antunes, the "state of bees in the region is fairly good."

"We are of course experiencing all of the maladies that every hive faces and we continue to study Colony Collapse Disorder, which has received a great deal of attention in the past few years," he said, adding that maintaining honey bee health is an essential part of ecological sustainability.

For example, without honey bees pollinating alfalfa — a key source of dairy cow forage — the nation's milk supply and dairy industry would be at risk.

Temple's honey bees have so far produced 210 pounds of honey — no small feat considering that to produce one pound, they must visit two million flowers and fly 55,000 miles, according to the Beekeepers' Association.

And in another way, bees offer an important lesson for all species: One bee cannot produce honey; it takes the entire hive.

For more information about Bee Fest or to register for the event, visit www.montcobeekkeepers.org. ♦

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Tourism students hit the streets to promote opening of new hotel

STHM partnership with Hotel Palomar provides 'priceless' experience

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Erica Schlegel stood on the east side of Philadelphia's City Hall on a recent Friday, meeting pedestrians on a triangular brick island and commanding their attention as if performing on a Broadway stage.

"Have an anniversary coming up?" Schlegel said as she approached one person, pirouetting between passersby as she distributed promotional items for a new Center City hotel.

"It's an amazing deal," she shouted to another.

Schlegel, a self-described "super senior" in the School of Tourism and Hospitality Management (STHM), was one of three Temple student volunteers that day who promoted the Hotel Palomar Philadelphia by distributing bookmarks with discount offers for the hotel, which is set to open Oct. 15.

In a partnership that is a first for the School of Tourism and Hospitality Management, Temple is assisting with a hotel opening — and is doing so in a number of ways. Two alumni are Hotel Palomar employees,



School of Tourism and Hospitality Management students flexed their promotional muscles passing out bookmarks promoting the opening of a new Center City hotel.

one student is interning at the luxury boutique hotel and at least 30 others are volunteering for marketing efforts that include street outreach three days a week at high-traffic areas such as Reading Terminal Market and 30th Street Station.

In addition, STHM students are serving as "Hotel Ambassadors" by facilitating private showings of the hotel to prospective guests.

Students, such as STHM senior Alina Alter, said the experience is a good way to meet executives and to help fulfill a requirement to log 250

industry-related volunteer hours before graduation.

"They're so busy with the opening that I wouldn't expect them to get out here and do this, stand on the street for hours, so it's nice to be able to help them out with that," said Alter, who has amassed some 2,000 volunteer hours while at Temple.

For school administrators, the collaboration is another example of STHM's strong bonds with corporate partners and its reputation as the most comprehensive school of tourism and hospitality management in the greater Philadelphia region.

"In this challenging economic climate, it is unique and rare for a student to be intimately involved in a hotel opening," said Greg DeShields, STHM's senior director of corporate relations. "And the fact that a hotel company such as Kimpton has selected Philadelphia as one of the cities in which they are opening a new property is just a priceless experience."

The partnership with Hotel

Palomar and its parent company, Kimpton, includes a visit to Temple from Niki Leondakis, chief operating officer of Kimpton Hotel & Restaurant Group. Leondakis will be on Main Campus on Oct. 14 for a luncheon and an Executive-In-Residence presentation to students.

Hotel Palomar Philadelphia features 230 guestrooms in the restored American Institute of Architects building. The eco-friendly hotel, registered by the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, is near Rittenhouse Square at 117 S. 17th St. An adjacent Kimpton restaurant, Square 1682, is also opening in mid-October.

"It is terrific for both the hotel associates and the students to see that if we partner in efforts such as our mass marketing and hotel opening, we are not only helping each other, but we are leading our community by example," said Bradley Pacana, director of sales and marketing for Hotel Palomar Philadelphia. "This experience gives students a view of the future and gives the associates of the hotel a picture of tomorrow's leaders."

Student Emilie Davis said she volunteered for Palomar's street outreach to get an insider's view of what goes into promoting and opening a hotel. Clad in a uniform of khaki pants and a Hotel Palomar T-shirt on her second day of volunteering, the STHM freshman said networking drives the industry.

"You just need to know people," Davis, a freshman, said as she handed out bookmarks in the shadow of City Hall. "That's why I started early. I just wanted to get my face out there, and my name, so people know who I am — and that I'm serious." ♦



The Hotel Palomar, a Kimpton property, will open in Center City on Oct. 15.

Photos by Joseph V. Labolito/Temple University

Temple-led study backs weight loss for sleep apnea relief

Largest study of its kind finds losing weight has significant impact

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For those suffering from sleep apnea, the risks are greater than the loss of a sound night's sleep and a decreased quality of life. More than just loud snoring, the condition can lead to high blood pressure, stroke and cardiovascular disease.

Most common among the overweight and obese, the disorder affects more than 12 million people in the U.S. For years, doctors have told patients that their best bet for alleviating it is to lose weight — but until now there's been little research-based evidence to support that recommendation.

"Existing research has been limited by a number of factors, so there are very few studies that show whether the recommended amount of weight loss — about 10 percent — is enough to sufficiently improve

sleep apnea," said Gary Foster, director of the Center for Obesity Research and Education.

To fill that study gap, Foster and colleagues from six other universities recently completed the largest randomized study on the effects of weight loss on sleep apnea in patients with type 2 diabetes. They found that among patients with severe sleep apnea, those who lost the recommended weight were three times more likely to nearly eliminate the number of sleep apnea episodes compared to those who did not lose weight. The results are published in the Sept. 28 issue of the *Archives of Internal Medicine*.



Foster

The new study, called Sleep AHEAD, looked at 264 obese patients with type 2 diabetes already enrolled in the Look AHEAD trial, an ongoing 16-site study investigating the long-term health impact of an intensive lifestyle intervention in 5,145 overweight or obese adults with type 2 diabetes. Participants were between 45 and 75 years old.

The 264 participants were broken into two randomized groups. The

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Director, Center for Obesity Research and Education

first participated in a specially designed group behavioral weight loss program, followed portion-controlled diets and undertook an exercise regimen of 175 minutes per week. The second attended three group informational sessions over a one-year period that focused on diabetes management through diet, physical activity and social support.

After one year, members of the first group lost an average of 24 pounds. More than three times as many participants in this group had complete remission of their sleep apnea (13.6 percent compared to 3.5 percent), and also had about half the instances of severe sleep

apnea as the second group. Further, participants in the second group only lost about a pound, and saw significant worsening of their sleep apnea, which suggested to Foster and his team that without treatment, the disorder can progress rapidly.

"These results show that doctors as well as patients can expect a significant improvement in their sleep apnea with weight loss," said Foster, the study's lead author. "And a reduction in sleep apnea has a number of benefits for overall health and well-being."

Other authors on the study were Kelley Borradaile, from Temple; Mark Sanders, Anne Newman and David Kelley, from the University of Pittsburgh; Richard Millman and Rena Wing, from Brown University; Gary Zammit, from Clinilabs; Thomas Wadden and Samuel Kuna, from the University of Pennsylvania; F. Xavier Pi Sunyer, from Columbia University; David Reboussin, from Wake Forest University, and the Sleep AHEAD Research Group. Funding was provided by grants from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, both part of the National Institutes of Health. ♦

Top faculty wanted

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Provost's Award for Innovative Teaching in General Education, the Eberman Faculty Research Award, the Temple University Faculty Research Award and the Faculty Award for Creative Achievement.

All of the awards will be presented at a faculty awards convocation in April 2010.

For complete nomination guidelines and instructions, visit www.temple.edu/vpfaculty/awards.

■ Great Teachers Award

Three faculty members will be recognized for their contributions to teaching, each receiving a \$15,000 stipend, a commemorative sculpture and the honor of having his or her name engraved on the wall of the Founder's Garden. All full-time faculty members are eligible. Each department may nominate one of its members. Petitions by students and alumni may be made directly to the awards committee. Previous candidates not selected for a GTA may be re-nominated; no faculty member may receive the GTA more than once. Deadline for nomination packets: Dec. 1.

■ Provost's Award for Innovative Teaching in General Education

Three faculty members will be recognized for excellence in GenEd course development and teaching. Each award winner receives a \$4,000 stipend. All full-time faculty members are eligible. Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Candidates not selected for the award may nominate or be nominated in subsequent years. No faculty member may receive this award more than once in a five-year period. Deadline: Dec. 1.

■ Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching

Six faculty members will be recognized for teaching excellence, each receiving a \$4,000 stipend. All full-time faculty members are eligible. Each school or college is eligible to nominate one of its members. Petitions by students and alumni may be made directly to the awards committee. Previous candidates not selected for a Lindback award may be re-nominated; no faculty member may receive a Lindback more than once. Deadline: Dec. 8.

■ Research and creative achievement awards

An Eberman Faculty Research Award, a Temple University Faculty Research Award and a Faculty Award for Creative Achievement will be awarded to three different faculty members for excellence in research or creative achievement. Each award winner receives a \$2,500 stipend. All full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty members are eligible. Each school or college may nominate one of its members; no more than one research or creative achievement award will be made to a given school or college in a given year. A University Research and Creative Achievement Awards Committee (including six faculty members appointed by the Faculty Senate and the Office of the Provost) has final authority on award recipients. Deadline: Dec. 1. ♦

Musical Theater director gives to *Charity*

Reynold's interpretation of Neil Simon's *Sweet Charity* on stage at Tomlinson

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It's opening night of Temple Theater's production of *Sweet Charity*, and the Tomlinson Theater backstage is awash in nervous energy. The stage manager is busy checking final details, and the dressing rooms are crowded with actors and actresses putting the finishing touches on make-up and costumes. Dressed in all black, assistant professor Peter Reynolds makes his way around the theater, making one last check before curtain time.

"They're all very excited," Reynolds says as he walks past a room full of ensemble cast members, whose voices stream into the hallways as they warm up their voices to a Britney Spears hit.

On this night, the group of students he has been directing for months will show off their singing, acting and dancing abilities to a full house in the first show of the season. Some are anxious, while others seem to be eager to get on stage.

Focused but not frenzied, Reynolds is a portrait of composure



Reynolds

amid a dizzying swirl of activity. A theater veteran, he's experienced his share of opening nights and curtain calls.

When not teaching classes, Reynolds, director of Temple's two-year old musical theater program, serves as the artistic director of Mauckingbird Theatre, an independent company that explores issues relevant to the gay, lesbian and trans-gendered community. Reynolds' most recent Mauckingbird directing project, *Never the Sinner - the Leopold and Loeb Story*, was hailed

as "a riveting retelling" of the 1924 courtroom drama.

"Being able to tell stories that are not often heard is so important," Reynolds said. "Theatre aids the LGBT community by presenting our stories. It is more difficult to hate someone when you know their story, when you understand that they are a human being just like you, when fear is dispelled."

Since opening its doors, Mauckingbird, which Reynolds co-founded with actress Lindsay Mauck, has produced several pieces that explore classic literature, such

as their 2008 gay-themed retelling of Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* titled *R&J*.

In addition to his work with Mauckingbird, Reynolds has worked with several local companies — including Act II Playhouse, Walnut Street Theatre and the Philadelphia Theatre Company — on collaborations with Philadelphia Young Playwrights.

For his most recent Temple production, Reynolds interprets Neil Simon's feisty tale of dance hall hostess Charity Hope and her attempts to find love among the denizens in 1960s Times Square. The show took Broadway by storm in 1966, winning nine Tony Award nominations, including Best Musical. Temple's production is choreographed by Philadelphia native and Broadway actor Tim Craskey, who starred alongside Christina Applegate in the 2005 Tony-nominated revival of the show. Lighting design is by Barrymore Award winner John Hoey.

Sweet Charity runs through Sunday in Tomlinson Theater. Tickets are \$10 for Temple students with OwlCard, \$20 for faculty/staff, and \$25 general admission. Order by phone at 1-800-838-3006 or at the Tomlinson Theater box office, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/theater. ♦

Finals month



Ryan S. Brandenburg/Temple University
The Invisible Enemy Should Not Exist (Recovered, Missing, Stolen Series), 2007/2009
by Michael Rakowitz on display at the Oct. 1 opening of the Wolgin Finalists Exhibition.

Works created by finalists in the Jack Wolgin International Competition in Fine Arts are featured in an exhibition at Temple Gallery through Oct. 31. The exhibit features the work of Stanford Biggers, Michael Rakowitz and Ryan Trecartin.

Created in 2009 by the real estate developer, banker and philanthropist Jack Wolgin of Philadelphia, the competition was established to recognize an emerging artist whose work transcends traditional boundaries by critically and creatively engaging with existing histories and images.

Docent tours of the gallery are offered every Friday in October at noon. Other upcoming events include the Sanford Biggers: Film Series, featuring "Elevator to the Gallows (Ascenseur Pour l'échafaud)" on Wednesday Oct. 14 in Tyler B04, and Kim Ki-duk's "Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter" on Wednesday Oct. 28 in the Paley Library lecture hall; a panel discussion on the work of Michael Rakowitz on Thursday, Oct. 15 at 5:30 p.m. in the Paley Library lecture hall; and the lecture by Wolgin prize winner on Friday, Oct. 23 at 1 p.m. (RSVP for the lecture at myowlspace.com.)

The Laramie Project: Ten Years Later

Tectonic Theater brings popular epilogue to Temple Theater

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On October 6, 1998 Matthew Shepard was tied to a fence, beaten and left to die alone in wooded area on the outskirts of Laramie, Wyoming.

A month after his murder, members of Tectonic Theater Project

traveled to Laramie and conducted interviews with the people of the town, which were used to create *The Laramie Project*.

On Oct. 12, the Tectonic Theater Project in conjunction with Temple will premiere an epilogue to the original work titled *The Laramie Project: 10 Year Later*.

The piece focuses on how Shepard's murder continues to affect members of the Laramie community and includes new interviews with Shepard's mother, Judy, and his murderer Aaron McKinney, who is currently serving two consecutive life sentences.

Directed by Edward Sobel, assistant professor of Theater, Temple's staging of the play will coincide with presentations at 100 theatres across the U.S. and internationally. Temple Theaters' showing will be the only presentation in Philadelphia.

The multi-media production includes an online interactive community where participants can blog, upload video and photos and share their stories about the play and their experiences in preparing and presenting the Epilogue in their communities.

"The cast and I feel privileged to represent Temple in the national dialogue around this ambitious and important project," said Sobel. "Like the original *Laramie Project*, the Epilogue examines Laramie, Wyoming as a microcosm of the country as a whole. The play is chiefly concerned with the ways in which tragic events are incorporated into our individual psychology and social fabric. It investigates, in deeply human and compassionate terms, how we construct a story of ourselves that acknowledges both the best and worst parts of our nature." ♦

THE LARAMIE PROJECT: TEN YEARS LATER

Monday Oct. 12, 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Written by Tectonic Theater Project

Directed by Edward Sobel
Tomlinson Theater, 1301 W. Norris Street

www.temple.edu/theater

Tickets:

- \$10 general admission
- \$5 Temple University students with ID

Information about tickets to all other events can be found online at www.LaramieProject.org. ♦

TUcalendar has it all!

For a comprehensive list of Temple events, visit the TUcalendar at <http://calendar.temple.edu>.

Events selected to be featured in the *Temple Times* and highlighted in the Temple Today email, the TUportal, RSS feeds and selected temple.edu web pages are derived from the TUcalendar. To ensure your event is considered, submit date, time, location and description using a single on-line form at <http://calendar.temple.edu> (click "Submit Events.")

To be included, events must be open, at minimum, to all students, all faculty or all staff, and must be directly sponsored by a Temple academic or administrative unit. Please submit at least two weeks prior to the date of your event.

Questions?

Contact the calendar editor at tucalendar@temple.edu.

Event Highlights

Temple Law hosts The Honorable Diane P. Wood

On Oct. 12, the Beasley School of Law will host The Honorable Diane P. Wood, Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, at the Arlin M. and Neysa Adams Lecture in Constitutional Law. The event will be held at 4 p.m. in the Duane, Morris LLP Moot Court Room in Klein Hall. Judge Wood's presentation, "The Changing Face of Diversity Jurisdiction," will address the new ways Congress is taking advantage of diversity jurisdiction.

The Arlin M. and Neysa Adams Lecture in Constitutional Law was established in 2006 and is presented annually to the law school community by a speaker of national stature. The lecture honors Judge Adams, who served on the U.S. Court of Appeals

for the Third Circuit from 1969 to 1987 and is currently of counsel to Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis.

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Matt Lauer to headline Lew Klein Awards

Matt Lauer, co-host of NBC's TODAY, will receive this year's Excellence in the Media Award at the 2009 Lew Klein Alumni in the Media Awards, hosted by the School of Communications and Theater on Tuesday, Oct. 20, in Mitten Hall.

Lauer is being honored for his achievements as a broadcaster and journalist. He has been co-host of the weekday morning show since January 1997. In addition,

five alumni from the School of Communications and Theater will be inducted into the school's Hall of Fame. A Q&A session with Lauer will be moderated by NBC 10 veteran newsman Terry Ruggles.

For more information, visit www.temple.edu/sct.

CIGNA partners with CHP, Fox for children's healthcare forum

On Oct. 14, the CIGNA Foundation, in partnership with Temple's College of Health Professions and Social Work and the Fox School of Business, will present "Growing Up Healthy," a comprehensive forum examining children's health in an urban environment.

The event, which will be held from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in Mitten

Hall, will focus on steps caregivers and members of the Philadelphia community can take to ensure that area children have a healthy future.

Dr. Calvin Johnson, vice president and chief medical officer of the Temple Health System, will provide opening remarks. The program will feature experts in pediatrics, obesity, health communications and media and a panel discussion on strategies caregivers can use to communicate healthy messages to children. Workshops will focus on the community's role and the social root causes of illness.

For more information, visit <https://www.seeuthere.com/rsvp/invitation/invitation.asp>. Registration deadline is Monday, Oct. 12.