

Communiqué: Creating Community and Synergy in Communication Studies

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Department Announcements and Events

- **Lecturer Profiles:** In a continuing effort to update the Communication Studies website, Lecturer profiles will have a dedicated page under the “Faculty and Staff” section. To facilitate this inclusion, an email addressing the particulars of what needs to be provided by the lecturers will be sent out shortly. We appreciate your timely response. This addition to the website is definitely needed and will recognize the integral role of lecturers in this Department. So look out for that email!

- **Dr. Makai**, an international speaker, consultant and entrepreneur will be on our campus Wednesday October 22, 2014 for two presentations related to Training and Development and Interpersonal Relationships. If you are on campus during the time of his presentations, you and your students are welcome. Both presentations will be held in the Aronstam Library. **Date:**
 - **October 22, 2014**
 - **2:00-3:15 (Leadership Training)**
 - **4:00-6:00 (Our I Do’s Were Different)**

- **Two Women Talking** is an original performance by Monsoon Bissell and Benaifer Bhadha. The performance includes unscripted storytelling in which two women weave their real life stories together – stories that take place between western and eastern worlds, touching on issues of personal identity, culture, gender, sexuality, violence, illness, and tradition. Each performance is unique in that the stories told vary depending on what is alive in the listening circle. Two Women Talking explores how reclaiming narratives and listening to one another brings power, movement and change to our lives. **October 16th: 4:00-6:00 p.m. Manzanita Hall 240; Aronstam Library**

○ **Two Women Talking Storytelling Workshop.** Students are asked to explore listening to and telling stories in a way that empowers them personally and allows for a wider understanding of the human experience. **October 17: 11:00-2:00 Manzanita Hall 240; Aronstam Library**

○ **Dr. Ben Attias** will present a paper coauthored with Nela Suka called "All Men Must Die, or Serve? Female Supremacy and Feminist Heterotopia" on the panel "Pushing on the Boundaries of Femininity" at the 37th Annual Meeting of the Organization of Communication, Language, & Gender in San Francisco October 16-19, 2014.

○ **Dr. Peter Marston** will give a talk at the Center for Inquiry in Los Angeles on **Sunday, November 2nd at 11:00am** entitled "The Rhetoric of Extraordinary Claim." The center is located at 4773 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90027 and is a secular, science based non-profit center. For more information, contact Dr. Marston at peter.marston@csun.edu or visit him during his office hours in MZ 346.

○ **Julianna Kirschner** will present at the Sport, Space, and City, Communication Conference in Paris, France October 14-17.

○ **The forensics program** will host the Robert Barbera Collegiate Forensics Invitational on **November 7-9, 2014**. This is our annual intercollegiate college tournament, featuring 2 types of debate and 11 different competitive public speaking events. Last year we had over 600 competitors representing 34 schools from five states (CA, TX, NV, UT, and AZ). This was the largest field of competitors we have hosted in the last 7 years, and we may have *more* competitors this year.

Events are open to the public, and take place from **2:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, and 8:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday.**

Tournament headquarters is in the first floor breezeway of Manzanita Hall. Anyone who is interested in attending or would like more information can contact John Kephart, the Director of Forensics, at john.iii@csun.edu, or stop by the information table during the tournament.

New Department Business

Department Meetings (3:30-5:30 MZ 214) November 17 & December 8; *All Lecturers are invited to attend!*

College and University

CFA Collective Bargaining

CFA updates: <http://www.calfac.org/video/100-voices-fair-contract>

Health and Well Being

o For all those looking for a way to relax and re-balance, **Lecturer Jennifer Baty** gives yoga classes at CSUN's Student Recreation Center. Please connect to <http://www.csun.edu/src/classes#modal-iframe> to check out her schedule.

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plays an integral role in contributing to our diversity and in addressing fundamental issues of bias and exclusion. To contact, please visit them University Hall, room 285 or call (818) 677-2077 or email at equityanddiversity@csun.edu.

Thanks all! Hope the semester is going well for everybody!

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