SCHOOL OF ARTS & LETTERS

Spring 2021

Virtual Book Club: *Silence of the Lambs* by Thomas Harris
5:00pm

Monday, Jan. 25
Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For access to the link, contact Dr. Shane Trayers, or visit Instagram @MGAESO for the link to the Virtual Book Club.

Virtual Poetry Workshop
6:00pm

Monday, Feb. 8
Location: TEAMS link: https://bit.ly/2NkC6Sq
Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For more information, contact Dr. Shane Trayers

English Studies Organization Fundraiser: Make a Valentine - Plant a Tree
11:00am - 2:00pm
Location: SLC Lobby | Macon Campus *(please observe social distancing)*

Wednesday, Feb. 10
Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For more information, contact Dr. Shane Trayers

Black History Month Speaker Series: Demarcus Beckham
12:30pm-1:30 pm
Location: SLC Amphitheater | Macon Campus *(please observe social distancing)*

Wednesday, Feb. 10
Demarcus Beckham is a field organizer for Georgia Equality and a graduate of Middle Georgia State University. He will talk about his experiences as an activist at MGA and his work with Georgia Equality and other activist organizations since graduation.

Contact: Dr. Sheree' Keith
Recital: Chris Tard, Percussion  
7:30pm - 8:30pm  
Location: Arts Complex Theatre | Macon Campus  
_(please observe social distancing)_

Contact: Dr. Rebecca Lanning

Recital: Chantilly Hinton, Clarinet  
5:30pm - 6:30pm  
Location: Arts Complex Theatre | Macon Campus  
_(please observe social distancing)_

Contact: Dr. Rebecca Lanning

Black History Month Speaker Series: Charvis Harrell  
12:30pm-1:30 pm  
Location: SLC Amphitheater | Macon Campus _ (please observe social distancing)_

Wednesday,  
Feb. 17  
Charvis Harrell is a Macon artist who makes "art with the purpose of paying tribute to the often overlooked heroes and creating a dialogue in regards to the condition of being Black in America from historical, economic, psychological, social and commercial viewpoints."

Contact: Dr. Sheree' Keith

Virtual Book Club: _With the Fire on High_ by Elizabeth Acevedo  
2:00pm  
Sponsored by the English Studies Organization  
For access to the link, contact Dr. Shane Trayers, or visit Instagram @MGAESO for the link to the Virtual Book Club.

Black History Month Speaker Series: Harold Young  
12:30pm-1:30 pm  
Location: SLC Amphitheater | Macon Campus _ (please observe social distancing)_

Wednesday,  
Feb. 24  
Harold Young is the Executive Director of The Tubman Museum. He began working with the Tubman in 2015 as Director of Special Projects and Community Services, facilitating events such as the "All That Jazz" Concert and Ball, as well as the Pan-African Festival of Georgia.

Contact: Dr. Sheree’ Keith

Recital: Tyler Rogers, Baritone  
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Wednesday, Feb. 24

Location: Arts Complex Theatre | Macon Campus
(please observe social distancing)

Contact: **Dr. Rebecca Lanning**

**Recital: Jarvis Thomas, Voice**
7:30pm - 8:30pm

Thursday, Feb. 25

SOAL Collective Action Series: A Bold Dialogue #2

*Diverse Issues in Higher Education*
3:30pm
Location: Online via MS TEAMS

Dialogue Participant:
Jamal Eric Watson, Ph.D.
Editor at Large, *Diverse Issues of Higher Education*
Director of Strategic Communication and Public Relations, Trinity University

Contact: **Alison Nooks, Dr. Lavette Burnette, and Dr. Andre Nicholson**
(email soalcollectiveactionseries@mga.edu (the organizers) to be added to the SOAL Collective Action Series Teams group)

Monday, Mar. 1 - Friday, Apr. 2

**Painting Exhibition: Ann Dawkins, Vulnerable Vessels**

Gallery Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8am - 5:30pm; Friday, 8am - 12pm
Location: Peacock Gallery, Russell Hall | Cochran Campus (please observe social distancing)

**Gallery Talk Online:**

Link to the Peacock Gallery Facebook page:
https://www.facebook.com/events/198471335395099/

Monday, March 15
6pm - 6:30pm:

**English Studies Organization Fundraiser: Dr. Seuss’ *The Lorax***

11:00am - 2:00pm
Location: Outside area between TEB and Library | Macon Campus
Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For more information, contact Dr. Shane Trayers

**Ann Dawkins: Vulnerable Vessels Painting Exhibition**
**Gallery Talk Online**
6:00pm - 6:30pm

**Monday, Mar. 15**

**Link to the Peacock Gallery Facebook page:**
https://www.facebook.com/events/198471335395099/

**Virtual Book Club: This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. The Climate by Naomi Klein**
7:00pm

**Monday, Mar. 15**

Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For access to the link, contact Dr. Shane Trayers, or visit Instagram @MGAESO for the link to the Virtual Book Club.

**Virtual Environmental Awareness Panel**
6:00pm
Location: ZOOM link TBA

**Tuesday, Mar. 16**

Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For access to the link, contact Dr. Shane Trayers

**Play: This is a Play**
6:30pm - 8:00pm
Location: Russell Hall Auditorium | Cochran Campus
*(this performance will follow all Covid-19 safety precautions)*

**Contact: Dr. John Iverson**

**Tree Planting Ceremony**
10:00am
Location: TBA (on Macon Campus)

Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For access to the link, contact Dr. Shane Trayers

**The School of Arts and Letters 1st Virtual Interdisciplinary Faculty Conference**
8:45am
Location: Online via MS Teams
Thursday, Mar. 25

SOAL Collective Action Series: A Bold Dialogue #3 | Equity in Healthcare: Finding a Path Forward
3:30pm
Location: Online via MS TEAMS

Dialogue Participants:
Thessicar Antonie-Reid, Ph.D.
Clinical Microbiologist and Associate Professor
Case Western Reserve University

Andrew Reid, M.S.
Epidemiologist & Data Quality Regional Lead

Contact: Alison Nooks, Dr. Lavette Burnette, and Dr. Andre Nicholson
(email soalcollectiveactionseries@mga.edu (the organizers) to be added to the SOAL Collective Action Series Teams group)

Sunday, Mar. 28

Cherry Blossom Festival: Tunes and Balloons
4:00-8:00pm
Location: Macon Campus

https://cherryblossom.com/event/tunes-balloons-festival-finale/

Tuesday, Mar. 30

Student Art Show and Firing Demonstration
1:00pm - 3:00pm
Arts Complex Lobby | Macon Campus
(Macon Campus Food Truck 2:00 - 4:00pm)

Contact: Dr. Patrick Brown, Prof. Lauren Cater, and Prof. Antonio Martinez

Tuesday, Mar. 30

"Reckless Misfortune: The Century We Inherited from the First World War" by Dr. Christopher Blake, President of Middle Georgia State University
3:00pm - 4:00pm
Arts Complex 136 (Rehearsal Hall) | Macon Campus

Contact: Dr. Patrick Brown, Prof. Lauren Cater, and Prof. Antonio Martinez

Wednesday, Mar. 31

Virtual Information Session: M.A. in Technical and Professional Writing
5:30pm
Location: Online via MS TEAMS
**Student Art Show**
Monday, April 5
2:00pm - 5:00pm - Firing Demonstration and Juried Student Art Exhibition Opening
6:00pm - 7:00pm - Awards Ceremony and Catered Reception
Russell Hall | Cochran Campus

**Virtual Book Club: Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi**
Monday, Apr. 5
6:00pm
Sponsored by the English Studies Organization
For access to the link, contact Dr. Shane Trayers, or visit Instagram @MGAESO for the link to the Virtual Book Club.

**9th Annual MGA Juried Student Art Exhibition**
Monday, Apr. 5 - 23
Gallery Hours:  Monday - Thursday, 8am - 5:30pm;  Friday, 8am - 12pm
Location: Peacock Gallery, Russell Hall | Cochran Campus
(please observe social distancing)

**MGA Chamber Singers**
Wednesday, Apr. 7
5:30pm
Location: SLC Amphitheater | Macon Campus

**Presentation and Screening: Denny Thomas, Emmy-Award Winning TV and Film Editor (via Zoom)**
Thursday, April 8
12:30pm - 1:30pm
Location: Math Auditorium | Macon Campus

**MGA Chamber Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble**
Wednesday, April 14
with Special Guest Wycliffe Gordon, Internationally-Acclaimed Jazz Musician
5:30pm
Location: SLC Amphitheater | Macon Campus

Contact: Dr. Patrick Brown, Prof. Lauren Cater, and Prof. Antonio Martinez

Undergraduate Conference

Locations:
April 15: Cochran Campus
April 16: Macon Campus
April 17: Online

Thursday, Apr. 15 - Saturday, Apr. 17

Schedule and Details: TBA
(social distancing and masking expectations will be in place for campus events)

Contact: Dr. Sheree' Keith or Dr. Shane Trayers

View Undergraduate Conference 2021 Program

Thursday, Apr. 15

Play: Shakespeare's A Comedy of Errors
6:00pm
Location: SLC Amphitheater | Macon Campus

Contact: Dr. Stephen Wisker

Wednesday, Apr. 21

MGA Percussion Ensemble
5:30pm
Location: SLC Amphitheater | Macon Campus

Contact: Dr. Rebecca Lanning

SOAL Collective Action Series: A Bold Dialogue #4/
A Student Perspective on Equity & Inclusion
3:30pm
Location: Online via MS TEAMS

Thursday, Apr. 29

Dialogue Participants (Students):
Tesia Baker
Kessiny Neal
Adarius McCoy
Kaitlyn Wells

Contact: Alison Nooks, Dr. Lavette Burnette, and Dr. Andre Nicholson
(email soalcasorganizers@mga.edu (the organizers) to be added to the SOAL Collective Action Series Teams group)