

WSU LIBRARY ATHENAEUM

FALL 2007 SCHEDULE

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Location: Winona State University Library on the 2nd floor

For more information and event descriptions: <http://www.winona.edu/library/athenaeum/>

Wednesday, September 12, 2007 at 1:00pm

The Weight of Motherhood: Mothering Fat Children in the Age of the Obesity Epidemic

April Herndon - Professor, English and Women's Studies

Wednesday, September 26, 2007 at 1:00pm

Studio Art Glass Movement

Steve Richardson

Cathy Richardson

"The art of blown glass was a semi-moribund until the 1960s, when it went through a revival that continues today. Modern glass artists use an array of tools, techniques, and glass formulas that have been either developed or re-invented over the past 40 years. The result has been a dramatic rise in the popularity of glass both in large public installations (Dale Chihuly) and in functional and decorative sculpture. Steve and Cathy will show examples of different styles of finished work as well as descriptions and photos of the blowing process --some of which is done here at their Winona Studio." --SR

Wednesday, October 3, 2007 at 1:00pm

Taking stock on WSU as a 21st Century University: How far have we gotten and how do we know?

Judith Ramaley – WSU President

Sally Johnstone - WSU Academic Vice President

President Ramaley and Vice President Johnstone will share their perspectives on the progress of WSU's journey toward being a 21st Century University. They will focus on evidence they can see and challenge the WSU community to continue this journey.

Wednesday, October 10, 2007 at 2:00pm NOTE Start Time!

Expert Perspectives on the Consequences of Facebook and Social Networking Sites: A Panel Discussion

Academic and Expert Panelists - TBA

At 2:00pm the October 10th panel will feature "expert" perspectives on potential job and other consequences for material posted on Facebook, etc. Sponsored by the American Democracy Project in partnership with WSU Student Senate and the WSU Library Athenaeum.

Introduction by: Matt Bosworth (or ADP Member)

Wednesday, October 17, 2007 at 2:00pm NOTE Start Time!

Student Perspectives on the Usage of Facebook and other Social Networking Sites: A Panel Discussion

WSU Student Panelists -TBA

At 2:00pm the October 17th panel will feature student panelists directly talking about their experiences with these sites. Sponsored by the American Democracy Project in partnership with WSU Student Senate and the WSU Library Athenaeum.

Introduction by: Matt Bosworth (or ADP Member)

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 at 1:00pm

Vodou Dance in Benin, West Africa

Sharon Mansur – Professor, Theater

Sharon will share her artistic and cultural experience of a two week visit to Benin, Africa in May 2007, sponsored by WSU. She will have photographs and video excerpts and will also include her personal descriptions and responses to the trip.

WSU LIBRARY ATHENAEUM SPRING 2008 SCHEDULE

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Wednesday January 23, 2008 at 1:00pm

Classical Music and the Crass and Ignorant World of Rock and Roll

Paul Vance – Professor, Music

Wednesday January 30, 2008 at 1:00pm

Corruption and the Campaign Finance System

Kurt Hohenstein - Professor, History

Book signing and refreshments after the event sponsored by the History Department.

Wednesday February 6, 2008 at 2:00pm (Please note start time)

For the Love of All Things Cricket: The Sport and Life

Santosh Chandrabalan- WSU Student, Composite Engineering

Wednesday February 13, 2008 at 1:00pm

Basics of Modern Art: Impressionism and Moving through Post-Modernism

Vittorio Colaizzi - Professor, Art

Wednesday February 20, 2008 at 1:00pm

Open Educational Resources: Are They Right for WSU?

Jim Reineke - Professor, Education

Wednesday March 12, 2008 at 1:00pm

Culture Shock and Political Correctness: the challenge of teaching foreign cultures in America

Juan Fernandez-Iglesias – Professor, Foreign Languages

Wednesday March 19, 2008 at 1:00pm

Dusty Archives and Fond Memories: The Sesquicentennial History

Peter Henderson – Professor, History

Co-sponsored by the Celebration of the Book Committee

Wednesday March 26, 2008 at 1:00pm

The Sordid Past of the Piano Recital: A Brief and History and Personal Reflections

Deanne Mohr - Professor, Music

Wednesday April 2, 2008 at 1:00pm

Winona State University Scrapbook 1858-2008: Celebrating 150 years

Nancy Peterson, Rill Reuter, and Beth Halleck

Wednesday April 9, 2008 at 1:00pm (Note: Location is the WSU Performing Arts Center)

The Compositional Process

Libby Larsen, Grammy award winning composer

Co-sponsored by the Music Department

Wednesday April 16, 2008 at 1:00pm

Celebration of the Book: Speaker and WSU Student Book Collection Awards

Speaker: Jim Armstrong - Winona Poet Laureate and Professor, English

Co-sponsored by the Celebration of the Book Series

Wednesday, October 31, 2007 at 1:00pm

Nature and Sustainable: From the Bluffs to the River

Bruno Borsari – Professor, Biology

Wayne (Chuck) Ripley - Professor, English

This presentation describes the experience of the river course “Nature and sustainability” that was offered last May and taught by Bruno Borsari (Biology) and Wayne Ripley (English). Emphasis is given to the four day trip on the WSU River Explorer. Students have been invited to join the instructors to share their reflections and thoughts about this challenging learning experience.

Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 1:00pm

New Classicism in Early 20th Century French Music: Ravel’s Tombeau de Couperin

Eric Brisson - Professor, Music

This presentation will discuss the composition of Ravel’s Tombeau de Couperin, and its significance in the context of the neoclassical movement in early 20th Century French music.

Wednesday, November 14, 2007 at 1:00pm

Western Movies and the Cold War

Greg Schimdt – Professor, History

Brian Ohm - Library

Greg and Brian will discuss the "Western" genre as it was influenced by McCarthyism and