

THIS WEEK IN THE TEACHING CENTER

Monday, March 23 to Friday, March 27, 2009

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Monday 11 to 4 • Tuesday 11 to 4 • Wednesday 11 to 5 • Thursday 11 to 5 • Friday 11 to 4

Please Join Us for the Following Events This Week

In Our Gallery

March 19 to 27
Exhibit by Frank Gaydos

Tuesday, March 24

- 11:00 to 12:30 **Grading the 098 Essay** from the series *Conversations on Teaching English 098/108*, a Faculty Learning Certificate Workshop
Contact Person: Julie Odell, English, jodell@ccp.edu
- 12:30 to 1:30 **New Teaching Circle:** The Three Minute Group: Incorporating groups into traditional lectures
Join the Teaching Center's new inter-disciplinary teaching circle focused on developing and implementing group activities in the classroom. Faculty members are encouraged to bring current or potential group projects to the circle for discussion and critique. This session's topic is *The Three Minute Group: Incorporating groups into traditional lectures*.
Contact Person: Rick Frei at rfrei@ccp.edu
- 3:30 to 5:00 **In, On and From the Mekong River: Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos – Destination China from the series *Pilgrimages in, around, and about Asia***
Faith Watson will show a PowerPoint presentation of her 2008 trip up the Mekong River, following the route of 1866 French explorers as depicted in Milton Osborne's 1975 book *River Road to China* to show and discuss the changes and reasons for the failure of both trips.
Contact Person: Faith Watson at fwatson@ccp.edu.

Wednesday, March 25

- 12:00 to 2:00 **Retirement Party for Karen Bojar**
Under Karen Bojar's direction and initiative, our college has a vibrant, vital and respected Women's Studies/Gender Studies Curriculum. Join us as we celebrate Karen's accomplishments, wish her well in her (sure to be semi-) retirement, and welcome Mary Conway as the new coordinator. You are encouraged to bring your favorite story about advances in gender equality, memories of milestones in women's/gender studies, and creative ideas for the curriculum and our students! Refreshments will be served.
Contact Person: Mary Conway at maryconwa@gmail.com

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Wednesday, March 25 (continued)

- 3:30 to 4:30 **African Writers Book Group**
Contact Person: Jere Brubaker at jbrubaker@ccp.edu
- 4:30 to 5:30 **PowerPoint: How to/What to** from the series *From Teaching Techniques to Learning Tools: Transforming Traditional Classroom Activities for the 21st Century*, a Faculty Learning Certificate Workshop .
This workshop will be repeated tomorrow.
This hands-on workshop (in room MG-23, the computer lab next to the Teaching Center) will teach participants about some of the more advanced features in PowerPoint to create games and interactive lectures. In addition, some do's and don'ts of PowerPoint design will be highlighted.
Contact Person: Fran Lukacik at flukacik@ccp.edu or Melissa St. Pierre at mstpierre@ccp.edu

Thursday, March 26

- 11:00 to 12:20 **Book Discussion: *The Soloist***
Join us in the Teaching Center for a Civility Week Book Discussion of the Steve Lopez novel *The Soloist*. Soon to be a major motion picture starring Robert Downey Jr. and Jamie Foxx, *The Soloist* centers on the unlikely friendship between the author and a Juilliard-trained street musician suffering from a mental illness. Civility Week is a great time to discuss attitudes about the homeless as well as those with mental illness. The CCP bookstore has copies of the books on sale (use your ID for a discount).
Contact Person: Heidi Braunschweig at hbraunschweig@ccp.edu or x8833
- 12:30 to 1:15 **Civility In (and Out) of the Classroom**
Have you ever encountered a disruptive student and not known what to do? Join panelists from a variety of areas in the College for a round-table discussion of problems in and out of the classroom when it comes to fostering constructive student behavior. Questions addressed will include: how does civility impact citizenship? What role does the student Civility Code of Conduct play in the classroom? How can civility be fostered by co-curricular activities such as speech and essay contests, student organizations, the college newspaper, campus theatre productions, or athletics? What resources do instructors and support staff have when it comes to dealing with disruptive students? How does one respond to bad behavior in the classroom in a way that embodies civility toward the disrupter as well as toward the well-behaved students? (Dr. Rick Frei of the Psychology Department will offer role-playing scenarios that embody effective handling.) Panelists will include Kirsten Quinn (English/Communication Arts), Fran DiRosa (Center on Disability), Dr. Theresa Tsai (Counseling), Dr. Rick Frei (Psychology), and Kelly McQuain (Moderator, English).
Contact Person: Kelly McQuain at kmcquain@ccp.edu or x8346.
- 2:00 to 3:00 **PowerPoint: How to/What to** from the series *From Teaching Techniques to Learning Tools: Transforming Traditional Classroom Activities for the 21st Century*
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Thursday, March 26 (continued)

3:30 to 5:00 **New Faculty Orientation** Open to all new full- and part-time faculty only
This session includes a discussion with Lindback Lecture winners Geoff Berken, Associate Professor, Photography; Olga Dugan, Assistant Professor, English; and Marcia Epstein, Professor, Behavioral Science.
Contact Person: Susan Tobia, stobia@ccp.edu, x8356

Friday, March 27

2:00 to 3:00 **Minority Fellows**
Contact Person: Ardencie Hall-Karambe at ahallkarambe@ccp.edu

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