

# TCU THIS WEEK

EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

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## Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky will address Honors Convocation April 14

ROBERT PINSKY, CURRENT POET Laureate of the United States, will be this year's Honors Week speaker, presenting a free, public lecture at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 13 in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

"Even though he is a poet, Dr. Pinsky has become a passionate, national spokesman for arts and letters in general," says **Kathy McDorman**, director of the TCU Honors Program. "He has come to be the foremost advocate of humanities-based values and yet he speaks in the vernacular and appeals to all areas of the population, all ethnicities and all education levels." She also notes that his term as Poet Laureate has been renewed.

A teacher in the graduate writing program at Boston University, Pinsky formerly was poetry editor of *The New Republic* and is current poetry editor of the online journal *Slate*, as well as a contributor to *The News Hour with Jim Lehrer* on PBS.

Most recently, Pinsky's focus has been on the Favorite Poem Project, which he launched in Spring 1997 to create an audio/video archive of 1,000 Americans reciting their favorite poems. The individuals who participate will represent all states, ages, levels of education, professions and ethnicities. "The Favorite Poem Project offers a unique way to learn about poetry through people who love it. The archive will be a gift to the nation's future," Pinsky says.

Born in 1940 in Long Branch, N.J., Pinsky received his bachelor's degree from Rutgers University and master's and doctoral degrees from Stanford University. His first collection of essays was published in 1968, followed by others in 1977 and 1988. The latter, titled *Poetry and the World*, was nominated for the National Book Critics Circle Award in Criticism.

His poetry collections have also garnered acclaim. *An Explanation of America* (1980) won the Saxifrage Prize; *History of My Heart* (1984) was given the William Carlos Williams Award of the Poetry Society of America; and *The Figured Wheel: New and Collected Poems 1966-1996* was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in Poetry and was awarded the Ambassador Book Award in Poetry of the English Speaking Union and the Lenore Marshall Award.

Pinsky is renowned for his translation

work, most notably *The Inferno of Dante* (1994) which won the Los Angeles Times Book Award in poetry, the Academy of American Poets' translation award and was a Book-of-the-Month Club Editor's Choice. ♦

## Political Science Green Chair Dr. Susan Carroll speaks here this week

DR. SUSAN CARROLL, PROFESSOR OF political science at Rutgers University in New Jersey and a senior research associate at the Eagleton Institute of Politics, will deliver a public lecture at 9 a.m. Friday in Sadler Hall, rm. 203. She is this year's Green Chair Professor for the political science department.

Her lecture, titled "The Gender Gap and U.S. Elections: Past, Present and Future," concerns the gender gap in American politics and how women are becoming more of a force in the election process.

Dr. Carroll, who works in Eagleton's Center for the American Woman and Politics, is a distinguished scholar with an impressive publication record. She will also speak Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Student Center, rm. 222, as part of this year's Women's Symposium.

For more information call **Joanne Green** at ext. 7395. ♦

## Math anxiety topic for lecture next Monday night

SHEILA TOBIAS, NOTED AUTHOR AND lecturer in math and science education, will deliver a free, public lecture from 6 to 7:15 p.m. April 3 in the Student Center ballroom. She is this year's Green Chair Professor for AddRan College of Arts and Sciences, in association with The Institute for Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education in the School of Education.

Tobias has written several books, including *Overcoming Math Anxiety, They're Not Dumb; They're Different* and *Succeed with Math: Every Student's Guide to Conquering Math Anxiety*. A booksigning and refreshments will precede the lecture from 5 to 6 p.m.

For more information, call ext. 7698. ♦

## EVENTS

### Today

FWPD VIN etching, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., FWPD storefront by Perotti's Pizza. Call ext. 5822 for more information.

School of Music presents violoncello recital featuring **Brinton Smith**, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*

### March 27-31

Master of Fine Arts painting exhibition by Antonio Alvarez, Moudy Bldg.\*\*\*

### March 29-30

Women's Symposium, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Student Center. Call **Marcy Paul** at ext. 7855 for more information.

### March 29

Women's Symposium Dinner Party, 6:30 p.m., Student Center ballroom. Call **Marcy Paul** at ext. 7855 for more information.

Honors Program lecture by author/poet Dr. Kurth Sprague, 7 p.m., Moudy Bldg., rm. 141N. Call the Honors Program at ext. 7125 for more information.

KinoMonda film presentation - *M* (Germany, 1931), 8 p.m., Lecture hall 1, Sid Richardson Bldg. Call ext. 6256 for more information.

### March 30

Men's Tennis - TCU vs. Arkansas-Little Rock, 1:30 p.m., Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center. \*\*

RTVF presents *A Tale of Two Cities* (1935), 7 p.m., Moudy Bldg., rm. 164S. Call ext. 7630 for more information.

### March 31 - April 2

Ballet and Modern Dance Spring Concert, 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Ed Landreth Auditorium, \$10 general admission, \$6 senior citizens. Call ext. 7615 for ticket information.

### March 31

Lecture by political science Green Chair Professor Dr. Susan Carroll, 9 a.m., Sadler, rm. 203. Call ext. 7395 for more information.

Men's Tennis - TCU vs. Virginia Tech, 1:30 p.m., Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center.\*\*

Women's Tennis - TCU vs. Tulsa, 2 p.m., Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center.\*\*

### April 1

TCU LEAPS, all-campus community service day, begins at 11 a.m. at Frog Fountain.

### April 3-7

Master of Fine Arts sculpture exhibition by John Frost, Moudy Bldg., exhibition hall.\*\*\*

### April 3

Sheila Tobias, Green Honors Professor for AddRan College, presents "Math Anxiety: An Update," 6 p.m., Student Center ballroom.

Piano recital featuring **Tamás Ungár**, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium.\*

\*Call the School of Music at ext. 7602.

\*\*Call the athletic ticket office at ext. 7967.

\*\*\*Call the Dept. of Art and Art History at ext. 7643.

## Weekend Dance Concert is TCU Guild fine arts benefit

THE DEPARTMENT OF BALLET & Modern Dance will showcase students performing the work of Choreographer-in-Residence Fernando Bujones and other dance faculty at its upcoming Spring Dance Concert. Performances are set for 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

This year's event is a fundraiser for The TCU Guild which supports scholarships within TCU's College of Fine Arts. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$6 for seniors at the door. The program includes the following choreography:

\* "Aureole," first created by Paul Taylor in 1963, is considered to be one of the modern dance masterworks of the 20th century. TCU students will perform this work in a re-staging by Mary Cochran, daughter of Jerry Bywaters Cochran, who founded the modern dance program at TCU.

\* "Precipice" is a contemporary ballet work by Elizabeth Gillaspay which explores the range of balance and pushes it to the limit.

\* "Adagio," by Li-Chou Cheng, explores themes of love and hardship within a family.

\* "Swing Brother, Swing" is a lively interpretation of swing style dance by Dian West, featuring music from the Broadway show *Swing!*

\* "Going Through The Motions," by Kerry Kreiman, is a humorous adventure in verbal languages, gestures, sign language, body language and nonsense language.

\* "O § ~ ∞" Dr. Keitha Manning explores our human traditions of coming together to dance as a community.

\* "Greek Breeze and Tease" by Varna gold medal winner Fernando Bujones closes the concert. "We dance to the rhythm of the waves and with a spirit that lives inside of us."-Bujones

For more information, call ext. 7615. ♦

## Staff and families sign up for Race for the Cure team

NEARLY 60 TCU STAFF MEMBERS, along with family and friends, have formed a team to participate in the Tarrant County Komen Race for the Cure downtown on Saturday, April 8. The group was organized to honor the memory of longtime TCU staff member Loretta Pierce who died of breast cancer last November.

The team, named "Princess and her TCU Frogs," includes Debbie Baldwin, Donna Bush, Ruth Casey, Terri Gartner, Cathy Neece, Lisa Winter, Alice Carter, Ginny Schmidt, Yvonne Mann, Cheryl Gray, Sondra Harris, Dorothy Morris, Stacey Theisen, Sereniah Mahanna, Carol Deramus, Linda Smith, Colleen Kintz and Melissa McInnis, all from advancement.

Also Linda Fullerton, Nicki Hamilton and Jennette Forrester (athletics), Darlene

Housewright (business services), Glory Robinson, Marion Donaldson and Dani Haynes (campus life), Jeannie Chaffee (Chancellor's office) and Veronica Merrill (computer science).

Also Sandra Tobias, Debbie Mar, Barbara Self, Anita Unger, Roiana Albert, Nancy White, Betty Costilla and Pattie Adams (financial aid), Sandra Fangman, Dorothy Davis, Mary Kaszynski and Dorothy Buchanan (financial services), Elaine Ripley (political science), Cindy Matthews (printing services) and Belinda Anguiano (Student Center).

Loretta Pierce's husband, Ronnie, will carry the TCU flag and SuperFrog is expected to join the group. ♦

## Author/poet Kurth Sprague will speak here Wednesday

THE TCU HONORS PROGRAM WILL host the inaugural Charles L. Rowan Humanities Lecture at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Moudy Bldg., rm. 141N.

Guest speaker is author/poet Dr. Kurth Sprague, professor emeritus of the English department at the University of Texas. His topic is "The Allure of Poetry."

A reception will follow the lecture. For more information, call ext. 7125. ♦

## TCU LEAPS into community service with event Saturday

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES introduces a new campus-wide community service event Saturday. Titled TCU LEAPS, the program is designed to send faculty, staff and students out for a day of volunteer work with local agencies.

Kenny Oubre, junior economics major, is spearheading the effort which begins with check-in and orientation at Frog Fountain from 11 a.m. to noon. Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari will give participants a motivational pep talk before groups are sent to various service sites via buses and vans.

TCU volunteers will be painting houses for Neighborhood Housing Services, scraping paint and cleaning yards in the Polytechnic Heights neighborhood and helping out at Habitat for Humanity and the Day Resource Center for the Homeless.

Anyone who wants to participate can sign up at [www.tculeaps.tcu.edu](http://www.tculeaps.tcu.edu) or call ext. 8653. ♦

## April 7-8 Jazz Festival offers free entertainment

A DAY OF INSPIRATION FOR GIFTED young musicians, topped off by two nights of terrific jazz performances ... that's what the annual TCU Jazz Festival is about. And it's all free to faculty, staff and students with a TCU ID, thanks to the Student Center and Programming Council.

Now in its 23rd year, the event will open at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 7 with a concert in PepsiCo Recital Hall, featuring the TCU Jazz Combo and guest artist Chris Vadala.

One of the nation's foremost woodwind

artists, Vadala currently is director of jazz studies and saxophone professor at the University of Maryland.

From 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 30 high school jazz bands from around the state will compete in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The awards concert at 7:30 p.m. that night in Ed Landreth Auditorium will showcase three TCU jazz ensembles and a vocal group, more sets by Chris Vadala and appearances by the winning high school ensembles.

For more information, call ext. 7640. ♦

## CORRECTION

In a list of orientation sessions in the last edition of *TCU This Week*, the August date for transfer students was incorrect. It will be Aug. 17 instead of Aug. 20.

## CLASSIFIEDS

FOR RENT: Exclusive neighborhood, studio apartment, \$525, bills paid. Pool, w/d connections, references, pager 216-0500.

HOUSE SITTING: Law student working at Ft. Worth law firm available to house-sit any time between July 8th and August 19th. Please call Dave at 806-788-1694 or e-mail at [bdlfoster@aol.com](mailto:bdlfoster@aol.com).

FOR RENT: South Hills area-Bilglade 3 bedroom, 2 bath, two car garage with door openers. Fenced, landscaped backyard; Brinks security system, \$1000 mo; \$500 deposit; Available April 15. Call 926-9124 evenings.

FOR SALE: Dining room set, 5 pc. glass top table, 4 chairs, 2 years old, good condition, \$100 or b.o. Microwave, all features, 2 years old, barely used, excellent condition, \$100 or b.o. For information call Brian at ext. 6928.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of March 22. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Dean of Education - School of Education  
Director of Nursing - Harris School of Nursing  
Director of Business Services - Business Services  
Study Abroad Coordinator - International Education  
Video Engineer - Radio/Television/Film  
Assistant Director of Facility Services - Facility Services  
Assistant Director of Recreational Sports - Recreational Sports  
Director of Student Publications - Journalism  
Annual Funds Officer - Annual Giving  
Research Associate - Institute of Behavioral Research  
Payroll Analyst - Human Resources  
Administrative Assistant I - Accounting/Business School  
Administrative Assistant II - Athletics  
Financial Services Assistant - Financial Services  
Administrative Research Assist. /75% - Tandy Technology Scholars  
Police Officer - Campus Police  
Security Guard - Campus Police  
Craft Technician II/Painter - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician I/HVAC Control Center - Physical Plant  
Horticultural Supervisor - Physical Plant  
Groundskeeper I - Physical Plant  
Groundskeeper II - Physical Plant  
Service Assistant - Facility Services  
Service Assistant III - Facility Services  
Service Assistant / 75% - Facility Services  
Service Assistant / 90-day assignment - Facility Services