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New Center for Civic Literacy to host conference on campus Saturday, Jan. 28

TCU'S NEWLY ESTABLISHED CENTER FOR CIVIC Literacy, an initiative of AddRan College of Humanities and Social Sciences in alliance with student development services, is partnering with Fort Worth city and community leaders to host a conference highlighting the need for individuals to learn more about and engage in civic activities on a local level. The conference, which is free and open to the public, will be held Saturday, Jan. 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on campus.

"Partnering with the city and other civic organizations to develop a community-based, problem-solving conference is a key goal of the Center for Civic Literacy," said **Don Jackson**, Herman Brown Professor of Political Science and director of the TCU Center for Civic Literacy. "Educating and engaging members of our community in civic matters is an extremely important part of our democratic system."

The conference, titled "TCU and Fort Worth: An Agenda for Collaboration," will begin with a presentation by Dr. Peter Levine, deputy director of the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning (CIRCLE) at the University of

Maryland, Baltimore. Dr. Levine's speech is titled "The Importance of Civic Engagement."

In addition to Dr. Levine, numerous senior staff members from the City of Fort Worth and key leaders from community organizations will speak about the city's strategic goals, touching on topics such as homeland security, central city revitalization, efficient government, orderly development, and mobility and air quality. The conference will conclude with a presentation by Melody Johnson, superintendent of the Fort Worth Independent School District. Dr. Johnson's speech is titled "Issues Facing Public Education in the Decade Ahead." A free continental breakfast and box lunch also will be served.

Along with TCU and Fort Worth, other conference co-sponsors include the Tarrant County League of Women Voters, Leadership Fort Worth and the Women's Policy Forum organization.

For more information on the event, contact Don at ext. 7468 or via e-mail at d.w.jackson@tcu.edu. ♦

TCU/Cliburn Piano Institute changing name to PianoTexas International Academy & Festival

AFTER NEARLY 25 YEARS AS THE TCU/CLIBURN Piano Institute, the celebrated on-campus event for gifted young talents, teachers, amateurs and audiences devoted to hearing live, classical music, is undergoing a change of identity. Its new name is PianoTexas International Academy & Festival.

PianoTexas is set for June 2-25, 2006, and will feature almost daily performances and master classes that are open to the public.

"Although the decision to omit the 'Cliburn' name from our event was a difficult one, it became a simple matter of establishing our own identity," says **Richard Gipson** (director, TCU School of Music). "We need to begin making a distinction about the role of PianoTexas as an annual learning experience that is different from the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition that occurs every four years."

"Our bold new signature, PianoTexas International Academy & Festival, better describes who we are and what we are trying to do here ... not just to support and inspire those who attend, but also to invite audiences to immerse themselves in an experience shared with world-

class professionals," says **Tamás Ungár** who created the original concept back in 1981. "We are both an academy and a festival."

Having seen the worldwide focus on hopeful professional pianists during previous Van Cliburn International Piano Competitions, Tamás founded the TCU/Cliburn Piano Institute because he believed the addition of an educational component was a natural fit. He invited talented piano students to come to the TCU campus each year for weeks of intense training, taught and mentored by faculty from the world's finest conservatories. In 1991, Ungár opened up the curriculum to include an invitation to seasoned piano teachers anxious to boost their enthusiasm for the job. In 1996, Ungár developed an additional program for amateurs, defined as non-professional pianists who love music passionately while maintaining their livelihoods through other professions.

An international lineup of guest artists will comprise this year's faculty/performers, including:

■ Pianist Seymour Bernstein, who maintains

EVENTS

Jan. 18

KinoMonda International Film Series presents *Diva* (France, 1981), 6:30 p.m., Sid Richardson LH4. Call ext. 7292 for more information.

TCU Men's Basketball vs. San Diego State, 7:05 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.**

Jan. 19

HR Brown Bag "Flower Arranging" presented by Martha Hulme, noon-1 p.m., HR conference room. Call ext. 5577 for more information.

Jan. 21

Linda Hughes and **Teresa Gaul** (English) will read from and discuss their recent books, 2 p.m. at Barnes & Noble University Village. A Q&A and book signing will follow.

TCU Men's Basketball vs. Colorado State, 7:05 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.**

Jan. 23 - Feb. 16

Insights, artists of the TCU art faculty present their newest works in ceramics, drawing, graphic design, illustration, mixed media, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture, University Art Gallery, Moudy Bldg., north entrance, free admission.*

*Call art and art history at ext. 7630

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a private studio in Manhattan and teaches at New York University

■ **Andrea Bonatta**, artistic director of the Feruccio Busoni International Piano Competition in Bolzano, Italy

■ **Yakov Kasman**, silver medalist in the 1997 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition

■ **Minoru Nojima**, silver medalist in the third Cliburn Competition

■ **Igor Resnianski**, a distinguished graduate of the Novosibirsk State Conservatorium in Russia

■ **Christopher O'Riley**, a young performer who is also host of National Public Radio's *From the Top*

■ **Piotr Paleczny**, an eminent Polish pianist

■ **Jeffrey Siegel**, music director and conductor of the Mainly Mozart Festival in Arizona

■ **Janos Starker**, noted cellist, who will coach three days of chamber music master classes

TCU School of Music piano faculty also will teach and perform, including Tamás, Cliburn gold medalist **José Feghali**, **Harold Martina** and **John Owings**. All details, a complete schedule and ticket prices will be posted at www.pianotexas.org or phone ext. 7456 for information. ♦

Ambassador Paul Bremer to speak at Ed Landreth Auditorium on Jan. 27

ARRIVING IN IRAQ AS A PRESIDENTIAL envoy just after the fall of Saddam Hussein in spring 2003, Ambassador L. Paul Bremer was responsible for rebuilding the country and controlling violence until the handover of political power in late June.

Bremer will discuss his experiences as administrator of the U.S.-led occupation government at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27 in Ed Landreth Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Dallas-Fort Worth. Bremer will also give his perspective on the controversy surrounding the struggle in Iraq. Registration begins at 5 p.m.

Admission to the lecture is \$20. A registration form is available at www.DallasWorld.org. More information and registration forms are also available by calling the World Affairs Council at 214-965-8400.

Bremer has written a book, *My Year in Iraq: The Struggle to Build a Future of Hope*, which was released last week. Autographed copies can be purchased at the event. ♦

Neeley School introduces The MBA Edge, career development program

THE GRADUATE CAREER SERVICES OFFICE of the Neeley School of Business is partnering with Stanton Chase International, a global-retained executive search firm, to provide The MBA Edge, a career consulting and coaching program for second-year MBA students.

The eight-week program, launching this month, combines workshops, team meetings and one-on-one sessions with Stanton Chase consultants and career specialists. "Neeley provides the latest trends and tactics for our MBA students so they can

master the constantly changing ground rules, target the companies and industries that offer the most desirable long-term career prospects, and merchandise themselves for success," said Shirley Rasberry, director of Graduate Career Services at Neeley.

"We seek out programs such as The MBA Edge to help our students and alumni maximize their career potential, with the goal to achieve the strongest placement results and highest levels of student and employer satisfaction. This program is a reflection of Neeley's commitment to personalized education that emphasizes practical and applied business skills," she noted.

REMINDER You can now receive your TCU W2 online

It's not too late for faculty, staff and student workers to receive their W2 form online. Go to www.getmyw2.com/tcu to start the registration process. On-site registration assistance is available in HR offices from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24 and Wednesday, Jan. 25. HR must be notified by Friday, Jan. 20 if a paper W2 form is preferred. For more information, visit www.hr.tcu.edu, e-mail W2help@tcu.edu.

Extended Ed offers unique courses to the community

TCU'S OFFICE OF EXTENDED EDUCATION HAS expanded its offerings of unique courses for this spring through strategic partnerships with community organizations, local museums, TCU faculty and alumni.

Among the creative courses are "Cowgirl 101" where participants spend a full day at the Westfork Ranch, spending some up-close and personal time with horses; youth activities, including dining etiquette, ballroom dance and intensive study reading clinics; "Celebrating All That Makes Texas Distinctive," where participants take a bird's eye view of Fort Worth from the present and compare it to sites from the late 1800s; and "Entrepreneurial Management," an eight-session series for those wanting to learn ways to grow and improve their businesses.

Other notable courses include "Champagne and Roses," whose participants will sample champagnes while touring the Rose Garden at Botanic Garden; and "Command Spanish," which is a leading program of customized Spanish language and cross-cultural programs for non-Spanish speakers in the workplace.

Extended Education also will offer its traditional courses this spring, including gardening, computer classes, languages, dancing for children, faith and life, home remodeling, and financial management. Beginning and intermediate Italian, piano, advanced dancing with variety, and yoga courses also will be offered. A full listing of spring courses can be found at www.lifelong.tcu.edu. ♦

Faculty art show opens next week, extends until Feb. 16

MEMBERS OF THE TCU ART FACULTY PRESENT their newest works at the *Insights* exhibition, Jan. 23 - Feb. 16 in University Art Gallery. The opening reception will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday.

Media represented include ceramics, drawing, graphic design, illustration, mixed media, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture. ♦

KUDOS

Susan Swain (Mary Couets Burnett Library, special collections department) is this year's recipient of the Staff Recognition Award, sponsored annually by the Friends of the TCU Library.

WEDDING

Rev. Angela Kaufman, minister to the University, and Jack Poehlman were married Dec. 11 in Trunk Bay, St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands. They first met 20 years ago when they attended fifth grade together. Jack is project director for Central DataGuard Technologies in Addison. The couple is living in Fort Worth.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of Jan. 11. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Accompanist - Ballet and Modern Dance
Administrative Assistant - Advancement - Alumni Relations
Administrative Assistant - Center for Professional Development
Administrative Assistant - Nursing
Administrative Assistant II - Advancement
Annual Fund Officer - Advancement
Archivist - Library
Assistant Director of Alumni Relations - Advancement
Associate Director - Financial Aid
Associate Director - University Career Services
Benefits Compliance Officer - Human Resources
Business Reference Librarian - Library
Dean of Library - Library
Dean of Nursing - Nursing
Director of Assessment - Assessment
Director of Communications/Marketing - Admissions
Director of Development (Regional) - Advancement
Director of Development (Schools) - Advancement
Director of Mental Health Services - Counseling Center
Director of Urban Education - School of Education
Equipment Operator - Physical Plant Grounds
Equipment/Vehicle Technician - Physical Plant Grounds
Financial Aid Advisor - Financial Aid
Library Specialist (75%) - Library
Library Specialist (75%) 2nd position - Library
Postdoctoral Fellow - Chemistry
Publishing Services Specialist - Neeley School of Business
Service Assistant - Facility Services
Web Services Coordinator - Student Affairs Information Services

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Gardening tip from Robert Sulak (physical plant): Keep leaves raked off your lawn during the winter months.

This allows your turf to collect sunlight and increase carbohydrate reserves.