



Student Activities

Georgia Theater Association Conference

GSW students garnered numerous award at the Georgia Theater Conference held October 15-18 in Albany, GA. The students presented a one-act adaption of *Becoming Memories* under the auspice of Sumter Players, Inc. as the SPI entry in ActFEST.

Awards included:

Best Ensemble
Best Director - Sidney Davis
Best Supporting Actor - Michael Myers
All Star Cast - Will Dozier and Sidney Davis

This opportunity for GSW students was made possible through our partnership activities with Sumter Player and the generous support of the Charles L. Mix Memorial Fund.

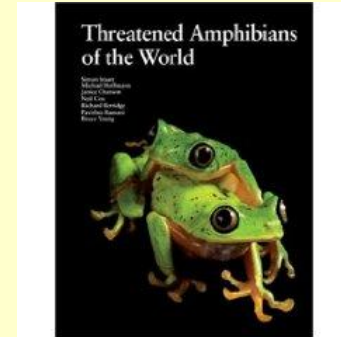


The cast included Becky Holder, Will Dozier, Danielle Hall, Mchael Myers, Ashley Longacre, Emily Fondren, Marcus Weathersby, Megan Sleeth, Zachary Taylor, and Sidney Davis.

Canoe Trip

Faculty Activities

GSW Biology Professor Contributes to Awareness of Threatened Species



Bob Herrington was a contributor to the recent monograph on the *Threatened Amphibians of the World*. Bob was responsible for writing the account of *Plethodon larselli*, the larch mountain salamander. The complete citation is Stuart, S.N., Hoffmann, M., Chanson, J.S., Cox, N.A., Berridge, R.J., Ramani, P., and Young, B.E. (eds.) 2008. *Threatened Amphibians of the World*. Lynx Edicions, Barcelona, Spain. 758pp.

Distinguished Professor Grants

Three of the four Distinguished Professor Grants for 2008-09 were awarded to members of the College of Arts and Sciences.

- Stephanie Harvey (Biology) "Integrated Science-Laboratory Proficiencies and Critical Thinking Skills"
- Charles Huffman (Psychology) "Multimedia Enhancement of Instruction for Psychology Courses"
- Mark Laughlin (Music) "Key/Note Visualizer; Sibelius 5 Professional"

Congratulations to Stephanie, Chuck, and Mark.

GSW Professor Elected Chair of Local Chapter of ACS

The GSW Chemistry Club took a canoe trip on the Flint River on November 8, 2008. The trip was attended not only by members of the Chemistry Club and



members of the Chemistry faculty, Nedialka Jordanova and Tzvetelin Jordanov, but by Bob Herrington, Chair of Biology and GSW's only certified canoe instructor. In addition, three interns from France tagged along to soak up the local colors of autumn.



Sacred Jazz at GSW

The Eric Mintel Quartet (pictured below with Julie Megginson, Chair of Music) performed concert on October 9. The concert featured the GSW Concert Choir performing the Sacred Choral works of Duke Ellington at the Rylander Theater with the Quartet as part of the GSW's annual Chamber

Nedialka Jordanova (Chemistry) has been chosen to chair the local chapter of the American Chemical Society. Congratulations, Nellie.

William B. King Family Fund

Congratulations are also in order for Anh-Hue Tu (Biology) who received King Family Fund Grant to attend the ASM/DOE-JGI Summer Bioinformatics Institute.

Charles L. Mix Foundation Grant

Ellen Cotter (Psychology) has received a grant from the Charles L. Mix Foundation to conduct a research project looking at sibling relationships in families of children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Several students are working on this project with her over the course of the academic year. She is currently recruiting families to participate in the study from Lee, Sumter, and Schley counties. Participating families must have one child (at least 6 years old) who has been diagnosed with ADHD and a sibling (at least 6 years old) without ADHD. Participation involves interviewing the parent and sibling using questionnaires and an open-ended interview. The child with ADHD will not be interviewed. Families will be paid for their participation, and their privacy will be protected. If you are interested in participating or know a family who might be, please contact Ellen at 229-931-2267.

Faculty Development Grants

Faculty Development Grant awards for Fall 2008 have been announced. Eleven members of the college faculty were awarded grants.

- Marlene Allen (English) Presentation at the Georgia Consortium for International Studies
- Bryan Davis (English) Presentation at 44th International Congress on Medieval Studies
- Gary Fisk (Psychology) Presentation at the Psychometric Society Meeting
- Richard Hall (History) "Bulgaria and the Establishment of the Entente at Salonika"
- Gary Kline (Political Science) Association of Third World Studies Annual Conference
- Elena Odio (French/Spanish) "Histoire de Liege et la cathedrate Saint-Lambert"
- Glenn Robins (History) "The McCain Thesis: American Prisoners of War in Vietnam"
- Brian Smith (Political Science) Presentation at the Southern Political Science Association

Concert Series. The Eric Mintel Quartet was in residence at GSW Oct. 7-9, as well.



26th Annual ATWS Meeting a Great Success

The Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Association of Third World Studies (ATWS), Inc., the largest organization of its kind in the world, founded at GSW in 1983 by Harold Isaacs, Ph.D., was held at Millersville University (PA), October 26-28. The conclave featured 80 attendees who participated in 25 panels and round tables which focused on the theme, “Voices of the Subaltern: Identities, Hierachies and Social Struggles in a Globalizing Age.”

The conference, was hosted by Millersville University and co-sponsored by ATWS, Millersville University, Georgia Southwestern State University, Ithaca College, and Louisiana State University-Shreveport.

Three GSW faculty participated in the meeting: Gary Kline, Ph.D., professor and chair of the department of history and political science, President of ATWS, 2007-2008; Philip Szmedra, Ph.D., associate professor of economics; and Harold Isaacs, Ph.D., professor emeritus of history.

The Keynote Banquet Address, “The Colonial in the Global: Where Does the Third World Fit?” was presented by Marnia Lazreg, Ph.D., professor of sociology, Hunter College. Gary Kline, gave the presidential address, “Who Will Speak for the Voiceless?”

Doyin Coker-Kolo, Ed.D., associate dean of education at Millersville University, received the ATWS “Presidential Award,” and “ATWS Outstanding Service Awards” were presented to Gary Kline, Harold Isaacs, and A.B. Assensoh (professor of history, Indiana University).

The Twenty-Seventh annual ATWS meeting will be held in Ghana, November 21-23, 2009.

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Conference

- Brennan Thomas (English) “Re (Rock) the Vote: How Critical Thinking Effects Political Awareness”
- Jeff Waldrop (English) Harriet Austin Writer’s Conference

Congratulations one and all.

Community of Learning Convocation

Georgia Southwestern State University held its annual Community of Learning Convocation at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29. This year's book was Gail Sheehy's *Middletown, America: One Town's Passage from Trauma to Hope*, which chronicles the losses suffered on 9/11/2001 through the stories of the citizens of Middletown, New Jersey. Middletown suffered the greatest concentration of fatalities in the country from the events of 9/11, and therefore, many of its residents suffered Post-traumatic Stress Disease (PTSD).

Margaret A. Ellington (English), chair of the Community of Learning Organizing Committee, organized a panel of speakers experienced in dealing with the disease will share during the forum. The panel included Charity Naim, a licensed professional social worker who has counseled abused children; Paul Shapiro, Ph.D., a GSW associate professor of sociology who was a paramedic for several years in NYC prior earning his doctorate; and Mildred C. Lapeza, a GSW assistant professor of nursing and clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric mental health nursing who has worked with victims and families of PTSD.

Isaacs Edit 50th Issue of JTWS

Harold Isaacs, Ph.D., professor emeritus of history at Georgia Southwestern State University, has edited “Third World Political, Economic, and Social Developments in Historical Perspective,” which is the Fall 2008 issue of Journal of Third World Studies (JTWS), published by the Association of Third World Studies (ATWS), Inc.

The 295 page volume is the 50th issue edited by Isaacs since 1984 when he founded the bi-annual scholarly publication. Articles, book reviews and book review essays are approved for publication by the JTWS board of editors, which is comprised of scholars who are nationally and internationally-recognized experts in their respective fields.

JTWS has a global readership of scholars, practitioners in the area of Third World development, U.S. and foreign government officials, and employees of non-governmental

organizations (HGOs). The publication is sent to subscribers in 52 countries and is available worldwide via the internet.

David L. Garrison (Dean of Arts and Sciences) reviewed Charles Simic's book of poems *That Little Something* for the October 27, 2008 issue of *America*.

