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2002-03 Year of Community: Ethics in Leadership

Symposium Focuses on Leadership

Tuesday, February 18

The Annual Leadership Symposium will take place on February 18, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. Each year, the firstyear Student-Community Development graduate students host an interactive panel discussion with distinguished presidents of higher education institutions and leaders in the field of topic. The goal of the Leadership Symposium is to enrich leadership training to better equip education and community leaders to engage social issues in ways that advance community scholarship. trust, acceptance, and responsibility. This year's topic is "Ethical Leadership: Challenges to Learning Communities."

The distinguished panelists for this year's presentation are former Stony Brook President Dr. John Marburger, now Science Advisor to President George W. Bush; Stephen Tractenburg, President. George Washington University; Judith R. Shapiro, President, Barnard College; and Barbara W. White, Dean, School of Social Work, University of Texas at Austin.

Entering its eighth year, the symposium is a unique national forum that annually engages two higher education presidents along with other national leaders in panel presentations on a topic strategic to positive campus community growth and development.

For information on past symposiums, visit http://ws.cc.stonybrook. edu/stuaff/scd/symposium.html.



Stony Brook Day in Albany

February 25

Don't Miss the Bus! Register online at www.stonybrook.edu/albany

For more information, contact Pat Cruso

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Dr. Iwao Ojima Receives \$750,000 NYSTAR Grant

Award Will Support His Work in Drug Discovery



Dr. Iwao Ojima

wao Ojima, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Chemistry and a world-renowned chemist, has been awarded a \$750,000 grant from the New York State Office of Science, Technology, and Academic Research (NYSTAR). The award was given to support his work in drug discovery, focusing on the development of new drugs to combat cancer and infectious and metabolic diseases.

The NYSTAR grant will be used to help create the Institute of Chemical Biology and Drug Discovery (ICB&DD) at Stony Brook along with the University's commitment to obtain matching funds toward the project's

total estimated cost of \$1.8 million. Ojima will direct the ICB&DD, which will investigate cancer therapeutics, infectious disease control, fertilization control, and therapeutics for diabetes and obesity.

Ojima's primary research focuses on the design, synthesis, and structure-activity relationship of biologically active compounds of medicinal interest and, particularly, on discovery and development of new and potent anti-cancer agents, especially ones that can be taken orally. The research is performed in collaboration with a multidisciplinary team of scientists and clinicians from Stony Brook as well as from the pharmaceutical industry.

The chief objective of the Institute of Chemical Biology and Drug Discovery will be to establish a world-class Center of Excellence at Stony Brook. A large number of inventions and discoveries from the ICB&DD are expected to be patented and further developed.

Ojima is an internationally recognized organic chemist. His honors include the Emmanuel B. Herschberg Award and the Arthur C. Cope Scholar Award from the American Chemical Society, a Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship, and the Chemical Society of Japan Award for Distinguished Achievements. Earlier this year, he received an Outstanding Inventor Award from the Research Foundation of the State University of New York.

The \$750,000 award was part of more than \$6.36 million in funding statewide announced by Governor George Pataki. The awards are made to a select group of world-class scientists who specialize in high technology and biotechnology research.

Dr. Mukhi to Oversee the **Charles B. Wang Center**

r. Sunita S. Mukhi has been appointed as Director of the Charles B. Wang Center, which was officially presented to Stony Brook University on October 22. She comes to Stony Brook from the Asia Society, where she was Senior Program Associate for Multidisciplinary Projects and Asian American Connections in the Cultural Programs Division.

"I look forward to helping make the Wang Center a vital space for multidisciplinary and multicultural dialogues," said Dr. Mukhi. "The Center is a site of such beauty and possibility that I can imagine Stony Brook University growing into an even more vibrant hub for the arts, culture, and intellect."

Dr. Mukhi is a cultural manager, performance scholar, and artist. She has a B.A. in behavioral sciences and in literature from De La Salle University, Manila, Philippines; an M.A. in interdisciplinary studies in the social sciences from San Francisco State University; and a Ph.D. in performance studies from New York University.

As a cultural manager, Dr. Mukhi has produced innovative programming in her position at the Asia Society. She has presided over, participated in, and moderated numerous panel discussions, and given lectures and addresses on topics ranging from identity politics, performativity, arts, and the South Asian diaspora. She also teaches in the Asian Pacific American Studies program at New York University.

Her work appears in Contours of the Heart: South Asians Map North America, Art Spiral, and Little India magazine. Her essay, "Underneath My Blouse Beats My Indian Heart: Indian Womanhood, Hindi Film Dance, and Nationalism," appears in A Patchwork Shawl: Chronicles of South Asian Women in America, and her most recent book is Doing the Desi Thing: Performing Indianness in New York City.

Student **Nominations** Needed

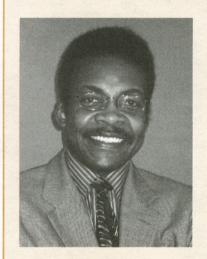
Deadline: February 7

Do you know a student who deserves recognition? The Alumni Association is sponsoring eight awards to students who have excelled in different areas, including academics, leadership, and improvement of community life. Recipients will receive a plaque honoring their accomplishments, as well as a cash award. Applications can be obtained from the Alumni Office or at www.alumni.sunysb.edu. The deadline for submissions is Friday, February 7. For more

LECTURE SERIES

information, please call 632-6330.

Second President's Lecture of the 2002-2003 Academic Year



Ellis Cose

Columnist and Contributing Editor, Newsweek

"Civil Rights and **Human Limits: Getting** Beyond the Past"

Wednesday, February 12

Campus Life Time 12:40 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

SAC II, Ballroom B

The University Fellows will lead a discussion following the lecture.

Campus Residences Brightens Holidays

"Tis the Season," the annual charity event run by the Division of Campus Residences throughout November and early December, raises money to buy holiday gifts for underprivileged children in the surrounding Long Island area. This year, more than \$12,800 was raised during the collection period—a 30 percent increase from last year.

Four residence halls—Dreiser, James, Gershwin, and Whitman—raised more than \$1,000 and three halls—Irving, Keller, and Stimson—raised more than \$700.

"Tis the Season" consisted of four major components. The first was the collection period, in which each residence hall had a little more than a month to raise as much money as possible. After that, the money was turned in to buy the holiday presents. Then students and staff from the residence hall/apartment community gathered in the Schomburg Commons to wrap more than 130 presents. The final component was the delivery of the gifts, which went this year to Colonial Youth and Family Services in Mastic.

The success of "Tis the Season" was due to many people from the residence hall community as well as other departments on campus. This year, several raffle gifts were donated by the Seawolf Marketplace and FSA, and the Staller Center contributed tickets.

Grant Enables HSC Symposium

Last semester, the Center for Health Care Informatics Education in the Health Sciences Center Library hosted the Long Island Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM) Tools and Technology Symposium for health professionals. Made possible by a Technology Awareness Program Award from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine, the symposium consisted of lectures by expert practitioners and educators of EBM, followed by presentations and hands-on workshops.

Speakers included Associate Director of Health Services Research at Cedars-Sinai Health System, Dr. Nancy Greengold, who gave the keynote address, and Dr. Suzanne Fields, Director of the Long Island Geriatric Education Center.

Nearly all of the more than 100 attendees agreed that they had improved their understanding of EBM and that their attendance at the day-long event was a valuable investment of their time. Evaluations of the symposium offered valuable insight into clinicians' perceptions, thereby offering a value model libraries can use to make informed acquisition decisions to better serve the clinical, research, and educational missions of their institutions.

Library Notes

As of December 20, the Library's old STARS catalog is no longer available. All catalog users should now use the new Web-based catalog that is available from the Library home page at www.stonybrook.edu/library. The new STARS can be viewed with Windows 95 (or higher) using Microsoft Internet Explorer 5 (or higher) or Netscape 4.7 (or higher).

New Dean of Students Takes a SAFE Approach

Stony Brook University's student body appears to be in SAFE hands with new Dean of Students Jerrold Stein. SAFE, an acronym for the Sexual Assault Facts and Education internship Stein created at Stony Brook, educates college and high school students about date rape and ways to prevent it. The program has been one of the hallmarks of the 26 years Stein has been at Stony Brook.

SAFE has received distinguished local, regional, and national awards, including "The Most Innovative Program Award" in 1991 by the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. In 1999, the program was nominated by the U.S. Department of Education as one of the nation's exemplary programs responding to sexual violence.

The SAFE internship accepts 16 to 20 juniors and seniors annually. Stein said he came up with the idea for the class in 1987 when he uncovered a report detailing a high incidence of sexual assault on college campuses. "I saw the need to create a program to educate people and make them aware of how to prevent it," he said.

Stein also created a one-credit course titled, "Men in American Society," which addresses how men can help prevent rape. He teaches graduate courses in the School of Social Welfare, where he holds an adjunct faculty appointment, and teaches undergraduate courses in the Women's Studies and Human Sexual and Gender Development programs.

After his predecessor Carmen Vazquez left the post in May, a national search for a new dean was conducted. Stein assumed the post on September 19. Prior to his appointment as Dean of Students, he was Dean and Director of Residential Education and Programs here at Stony Brook. In his new capacity, he advocates for student needs; provides leadership for co-curricular activities; and advises the Vice President for Student Affairs, Provost, and President on planning initiatives to improve the campus climate and facilitate student success.

The American College Personnel Association awarded Stein "Outstanding Professional of the Year" in 1999, and he received the University's Chancellor's and President's Awards for Excellence in Professional Service in 1992.

Stein's other priorities include creating a sense of community on campus. "I've seen a tremendous growth in campus spirit and pride in the 25 years I've been here," he said. "We need to have vibrant activities at Stony Brook on the weekends for those who stay on campus, but also need to support students who need to catch up on coursework during the weekends. And we also need to respond to the diversity of the students at Stony Brook; that's what brings us together as a community."



New York Islanders Bring Cheer to Children at Hospital

On their holiday tour of area hospitals, several Islanders players visited the pediatric unit of Stony Brook University Hospital. From left to right: Mattias Timander, Arron Asham, Hospital Director and CEO Bruce Schroffel, and Mattias Weinhandl.

Upcoming Author Readings

February 7: Robert Bly

Famous poet, storyteller, and translator Robert Bly will read his poem, "The Night Abraham Called to the Stars" on Friday, February 7, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. Bly is the author of *Iron John: A Book About Men, The Sibling Society*, and several anthologies of poetry, including *The Soul Is Here for Its Own Joy*, as well as ten earlier books of poems and dozens of translated books.

February 20: Dr. Robert Katz, Paul Levinson, Marc Vun Kannon Dr. Robert Katz, a faculty author from Stony Brook University Hospital, will read from his new novel *Surgical Risk*. Dr. Katz's first novel, *Edward Maret*, won the ASA Literary Prize for 2001.

Paul Levinson, author of *The Silk Code*, which won the Locus Award for Best Novel of 1999, will read from his latest myth, *The Consciousness Plague*.

Marc Vun Kannon will read from his first fantasy, *Unbinding the Stone*, as he tempts you to join his characters for exploits that are both exhilarating and hilarious.

Readings will take place from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Javits Room at the Melville Library.

Graduate Exhibit at Staller Center

February 1 through 22

Work by five graduate students of fine arts will be exhibited in the University Art Gallery at the Staller Center from Saturday, February 1 to Saturday, February 22. A reception honoring the artists will be held on Saturday, February 15, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The "MFA Exhibit 2002" includes paintings, prints, and mixed media installations by Sarah Bielski, Makiko Miyamoto, Jeffrey Allen Price, Raymond Prucher, and Glenn Webb. All five artists are degree candidates in the Department of Art's Master of Fine Arts program. A catalog that includes reproductions of each artist's work accompanies the exhibition. This year's MFA exhibit and catalog were made possible with generous support from the Office of the Provost and the Friends of the Staller Center.

University Art Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information, call 632-7240.

Giugliano Receives Nursing Honors

Debra Giugliano, an oncology nurse in the Department of Pediatrics, was presented with the APON Award at the 26th Annual Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. APON stands for the Association of Pediatric Oncology Nurses, which was established to recognize those who have demonstrated compassion and expertise in clinical nursing practice and who have actively incorporated research and innovative ideas into clinical practice.

Giugliano has been at Stony Brook University Hospital for more than 12 years and has worked in the Division of Pediatric Hematology/ Oncology for the past eight years. She was honored for her work in creating and implementing a "School Re-entry" program, which educates school administrators on how best to serve students who are recovering from cancer. The program trains teachers not only on how to relate to cancer patients in their classrooms, but also what effect cancer can have on the students' capacity to learn.

Dr. Robert Parker, Associate Professor and Director of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, said, "Ms. Giugliano has been instrumental in the development of the program for kids with cancer treated at our hospital, which has been received enthusiastically by the school community in Suffolk County. Without her efforts in this area, I do not believe that the program would have succeeded."

SBU Summer Camp

Summer Camp at Stony Brook is a sports and educational adventure camp for children in grades K-7 and runs from June 30 to August 22. For more information, call 632-4550 or visit www.stonybrook.edu/daycamp.

Open House registration dates are Saturday, February 8; Saturday, March 1; Saturday, March 22; Saturday, April 12; and Saturday, May 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Indoor Sports Complex Lobby.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Deputy Chief of Police Douglas F. Little was sworn in as Vice President of the Suffolk County Chiefs of Police Association by the Honorable Alfred Tisch (Suffolk County Sheriff) on Sunday, January 19... Chris McAlary has accepted the position of Assistant Vice President for Facilities and Services in the Department of the Vice President for Administration. He comes to Stony Brook from the California Polytechnic Institute, where he has been Associate Vice President for Facilities Planning and Management. Prior to this position, McAlary held facilities management positions at the University of Southern California. He will begin at Stony Brook on or about February 3 ... Professor Carlos Simmerling's research on the molecular dynamics of protein folding has been profiled in the American Chemical Society's Chemical & Engineering News as one of the top 100 chemistry discoveries of 2002 . . . Dr. Anthony M. Szema, Assistant Professor of Medicine, has received Recognition Award from the American College of Chest for Distinguished Physicians Service on the Airways Disorders NetWork Steering Committee for 2000-2002.

Cancer-Killing Virus Is Developed

Eckard Wimmer, Professor of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology, and Matthias Gromeier, formerly a Research Associate with Dr. Wimmer at Stony Brook, and presently Assistant Professor of Microbiology at Duke University Medical Center, were awarded a U.S. patent for the invention of a genetically engineered, cancerkilling poliovirus that is being prepared for clinical trials in patients with an especially dangerous form of brain cancer.

The new poliovirus, PVs (RIPO), will be tested on incurable brain tumors, malignant glioma, and astrocytoma. Patients with these kinds of cancers typically have a life expectancy of less than a year. The virus will be injected directly into the tumor and replicate within and destroy malignant cells. The modified virus attacks only cancer cells, leaving normal cells unharmed.

"The treatment is very safe because the engineered virus is not virulent. It will be injected directly into the tumor and kill and dissolve said Dr. Wimmer.

The clinical trials, which will begin next year at Duke University Medical Center, will be directed by Dr. Gromeier and are supported by the National Cancer Institute. Also, early-stage licensing negotiations are under way with a biopharmaceutical company interested in developing therapies based on this patent to use against brain cancer.

The novel approach of using a modified poliovirus for cancer treatment by Wimmer, a worldrenowned specialist in the study of polio virus, and Gromeier, a specialist of mechanisms of viral pathogenesis, was based on studies of how viruses cause disease and was supported with a government grant awarded by the National Institutes of Health.

In Memoriam: Michael A. Maffetone

To the University Community:

t is with great sadness that I inform you of the passing of Michael A. Maffetone, D.A., the former Director and CEO of Stony Brook .University Hospital. Our deepest sympathies go out to his family.

Mike is remembered as a man full of fun and wit, combined with vision, wisdom, and deep compassion for patients and employees. Mike was always committed to making the hospital the best it could be. He contributed greatly to improving the health care of people on Long Island and to advancing the image and reputation of the hospital regionally and nationally. Under Mike's leadership, the hospital became one of the nation's best major teaching hospitals. He planned the hospital's new ambulatory surgery center, which opened last year, and was instrumental in bringing the Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund to the University.

To honor his accomplishments, Stony Brook established the Michael A. Maffetone, D.A., Community Service Award. The award honors employees who personify Mike's strong commitment to community service. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Michael A. Maffetone Community Service Award, Stony Brook University Hospital, Nicolls Road, Stony Brook, New York 11794.

The hospital staff are planning a memorial service to be announced at a later date.

President Shirley Strum Kenny

Urban Bush Women to Perform at Staller on Feb. 15

"Shadow's Child," a theatrical dance performance by Urban Bush Women, is scheduled to take place at Staller Center on February 15 at 8:00 p.m. and will be complemented by a series of workshops prior to the performance date. Participants in the workshops will be able to purchase discounted tickets to see "Shadow's Child."

Stony Brook students from dance, theatre arts, Africana studies, women's studies, and others will participate in workshops on Tuesday, February 4, including "Technique and Training in African Dance," "The Body as Dialogue," and "Celebration of Community: African Dance and Drumming." Participants will explore the roots of African-American dances and songs.

On Wednesday, February 5, students from Milton L. Olive Middle School and Wyandanch Memorial High School will enjoy creative movement classes with live drum accompaniment led by four artists from Urban Bush Women and the National Song and Dance Company of Mozambique, a performing troupe of dancers, singers, poets, and theatre artists. The dancers will travel to the Wyandanch school district to present the workshops.

"Shadow's Child" had its world premiere at Lincoln Center in July and is currently on a 14-city American tour. The show is an energetic and enlightening dance performance with both a story and a moral. Inspired by the dance, puppetry, and music of Mozambique, "Shadow's Child" tells the tale of a family that relocates to Florida from Mozambique and the struggle that ensues with their young daughter as she attempts to fit into contemporary African-American culture. The costumes, props, sets, and live drum music all complement the spirited dancing of the company.

For tickets to "Shadow's Child," call 632-ARTS.



Photo by Mike Van Sleen

The Urban Bush Women perform a magical, mystical theatrical experience in "Shadow's Child," a tale of difference, tolerance, and acceptance.

Prusslin Boosts Media Programs

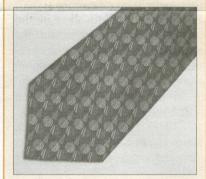
Norman Prusslin, Director of Student Union and Activities (Media), Director of Media Minor, and General Manager of WUSB-FM, has been selected to join the Board of Directors of the Long Island Press Club (LIPC). The LIPC is the local professional chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ), the nation's professional journalism membership organization.

As a member of the LIPC/SPJ board, Prusslin will have the opportunity to further strengthen the relationship between Stony Brook students and the professional media community on Long Island. Already under way, Stony Brook students will serve as support staff for and participants in the April 2003 SPJ Northeast Regional Conference in Port Jefferson. WUSB-FM will also serve as the "host station" for the 2003 Intercollegiate Broadcasting System National College Radio Convention in New York City in March.

Academic and co-curricular programs should benefit greatly from this association.

The New Blue

The newly designed Stony Brook ties and scarves in hues of blue are now available at the Seawolves Marketplace in the Student Activities Center.



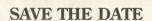


Staller Discounts

Tickets to Staller Center 2002-2003 season performances are \$3 off the regular ticket price for faculty, staff, alumni, and students, and for children age 12 and under, tickets are half price.

In addition, students may purchase one ticket at half price starting on the first of the month and then continuing throughout the month for a show scheduled that month. Tickets must be purchased in person at the box office with a student ID and are subject to availability.

"Student Rush" tickets go on sale 15 minutes before the start of a performance, subject to availability, for only \$7. For more information, call 632-ARTS.



ALS Awareness Day and Symposium

Tuesday, March 25

9:00 a.m. Registration Student Activities Center

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Guest Speaker to be announced. For more information, contact Linda Fusco at 444-6241.

EAP Events

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is hosting three upcoming workshops. To register, download a form from *www.stonybrook.edu/hr* (click on Training and Organizational Development) and fax it to 632-6168, or call Denise Gross at 632-4501 for a form.

EAP Supervisory Training

"Understanding Depression and Its Impact on the Workplace" will show you how to identify symptoms of depression and understand it as a treatable illness. Thursday, January 30, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Women's Studies Colloquial Center (formerly Peace Center).

EAP Supervisory Training

"Workplace Violence" and "Impact of Substance Abuse" are two segments included with "Foundations of Supervising and Sexual Harassment Prevention." Wednesday, February 5, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Student Activities Center, Room 311.

EAP Lunchtime Learning

In "Personal Money Management, Part I," you'll learn ways to organize your finances and make wise decisions about your financial future. Lunch is provided. (Part II will be held February 25 and Part III will be held March 4.) February 11, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., Women's Studies Colloquial Center (formerly Peace Center).

Extreme Team Slam Dunkers Invade Sports Complex

Tuesday, February 11

The Class Act Extreme Team Slam Dunkers will be performing at the Sports Complex on Tuesday, February 11. The acrobatic, high-flying, rim-rocking dunking team has entertained all across the United States and is making its only New York area appearance at Stony Brook.



The Extreme Team Dunkers will be performing acrobatic stunts and dunks to music during timeouts and halftime of the Seawolves men's basketball game vs. Boston University at 7:00 p.m.

Students are admitted free with ID. Faculty and staff tickets are just \$4 and can be purchased at the Ticket Office from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on weekdays. Tickets can also be purchased online at *www.goseawolves.org*. Call 632-WOLF for more information.

Upcoming Basketball Home Schedule

All games are at the Sports Complex. See above for ticket information.

Sunday, February 2

Seawolves Women's Basketball vs. New Hampshire, 12:00 p.m. Camera Day: The first 250 kids receive a free camera and can get their picture taken with their favorite player after the game.

Wednesday, February 5

Seawolves Women's Basketball vs. Northeastern, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 8

Seawolves Men's Basketball vs. Vermont, 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 11

Seawolves Men's Basketball vs. Boston University, 7:00 p.m. Extreme Team Slam Dunkers will perform during timeouts and at halftime.

Winter Weather Guidelines

In case of snow or other weather emergencies, the best way to find out about University cancellations and other critical information is to access the Web site (www.stonybrook.edu) and look for the display on the University home page.

Information will also be furnished to the following media outlets: News 12 Long Island, WUSB 90.1 FM, WALK 97.5 FM, WBLI 106.1 FM, WBAB 102.3 FM, WCBS 101.1 FM, WINS 1010 AM, WOR 710 AM, WKJY 98.3 FM, WHLI 1100 AM, and WRCN 103.9 FM.

Individual departments are urged to develop their own procedures for handling weather emergencies, such as creating phone chains or having employees contact their supervisor for information.

The 632/444-SNOW numbers are generally used to inform public vendors and other non-University personnel about the status of the University. Therefore, faculty, staff, and students should monitor the Web site or the media to get the quickest, most up-to-date information.

Please be aware that only Governor Pataki can order State offices and facilities to be closed. When classes are cancelled, University offices are still open, and employees are expected to report for work.

Exhibit Honors African History

Now through February 12

In celebration of Black History Month, the Student Activities Center Gallery is presenting "BLANK: In Pursuit of an American History," on display now through Wednesday, February 12. In conjunction with the exhibit, the Gallery is hosting a conference featuring speakers from several disciplines who will address the issues of history, aesthetics, and Black History Month. The conference will be held in the Student Activities Center Auditorium on Tuesday, February 11, at 4:00 p.m., with a reception following in the Gallery.

The display is done completely in electronic media, consisting of video, computer, and digital work. The artists, from a variety of backgrounds and styles, explore ideas of history as they understand it.

Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, call 632-9392.

HAPPENINGS

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CALENDAR January 31 to February 21

ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

1/31, Friday. Emerson String Quartet. The Quartet's third performance includes Beethoven, Aitken, Barber, and Schubert. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center.

2/1, Saturday. Marvin Hamlisch. The composer, pianist, and conductor has won three Oscars, four Grammys, Four Emmys, a Tony, three Golden Globes, and a Pulitzer Prize. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$38.

2/2, Sunday. Pre-College Benefit Concert. For more information, call 632-7330. 5:00 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$25.

2/5, Wednesday. Ear-Fest. Enjoy a concert featuring a selection of sonorous, soulful soundpieces by the Computer and Electronic Music Studios. For more information, call 632-7330. Admission is free.

2/6, Thursday. Maps and Other Myths. LACS presents an art opening and reception for Nicola López, a Brooklyn-based New Mexican print and collage artist. 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., LACS Gallery, SBS N-320.

2/7, Friday. MOMIX. Enter a beautiful universe of mythical beings and spectacular figures produced by spinning, flying, undulating movements as this internationally renowned dance company performs. For tickets, call 532-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$28.

2/8, Saturday. Stanley Jordan: Jazz Guitar. Few contemporary artists can match

the passion, sensitivity, and brilliance of one of the significant artists of the latter 20th century. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

2/9, Sunday. Baroque Sundays at Three. Enjoy a lute and theorbo recital by Lucas Harris featuring fantasias and dance music from the 17th century. For more information, call 632-7330. 3:00 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. Admission is free.

2/14, Friday. Electronic Music. Enjoy a program including electronic music sound sculptures, virtuoso instrumental performance, film, and video. For more information, call 632-7330. 8:00 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. Admission is free.

2/15, Saturday. Urban Bush Women: Night Girl. This fusion of exhilarating contemporary dances, music, and storytelling makes for a remarkable dance experience. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$28.

SEMINARS/LECTURES

1/30, Thursday. Biochemistry Seminar. Dr. Vitaly Citovsky discusses "Nucleic Acid Transport in Plant-Microbe Interactions: The Molecules That Walk Through the Walls." 4:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

2/6, Thursday. Biochemistry Seminar.Dr. Blake Peterson from Penn State University discusses "Construction of Non-Natural Cellular Receptors and Cellular Probes from Synthetic Molecules." 4:00 p.m., Room 412, Chemistry Building.

2/7, Friday. Astronomy Open Night. Michal Simon, Department of Physics and Astronomy, discusses "The Next Big Hit." 7:30 p.m., Room 001, ESS Building.

2/14, Friday. The Worlds of Physics. Clare Grey, Department of Chemistry, discusses "How Lithium-Ion Batteries and Fuel Cells Work." 7:30 p.m., Room 001, ESS Building.

2/21, Friday. The Living World. Richard Lutz from the Institute of Marine and Coastal Sciences, Rutgers University, discusses "Voyage into the Abyss: A Journey to Deep Sea Volcanoes and Hydrothermal Vents." 7:30 p.m., Room 001, ESS Building.

SPECIAL EVENTS

2/5, 2/12, and 2/26, Wednesdays. Osteoporosis Prevention Management Series. The Division of Wellness and Chronic Illness in the Department of Family Medicine is offering three group visits where patients will be assessed and discuss the disorder. To register, call 444-9815. 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m., 33 Research Way, Stony Brook Technology Park.

2/5, Wednesday. Meditation and Drumming Circle. The evening's topic is "What Is God's Call for Me." Meditation: 5:30 p.m.. Drumming: 6:30 p.m., Discussion/Prayer: 8:00 p.m. Protestant Campus Ministry, Room 249, SB Union.

2/12, Wednesday. Celebrating the Black Church in America. Sponsored by Protestant Campus Ministry. 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Room 249, SB Union.

2/12, Wednesday. Discussion and Prayer. Sponsored by Protestant Campus Ministry, the evening's topic is "Prayer and Living a Life of Prayer." 8:00 p.m., Room 249, SB Union.

2/19, Wednesday. Pilgrimage of Trust. In a special evening visit, two brothers from the ecumenical Christian Community at Taize, France, will lead discussion and prayers in the style of Taize. Protestant Campus Ministry, Room 249, SB Union.

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1/31, Friday. Stony Brook/Yale Faculty Seminar on the Americas. Clara Arenas, a major human rights activist, discusses the Guatemalan human rights movement. For more information, call Paul Gootenberg at 632-7507. 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., Main Hall.

2/6, Thursday. Alumni Lecture Series. David Hicks, Professor of Anthropology, discusses "Working for Democracy in East Timor." For more information, call Les Paldy or Sandra Skinner at 632-4995. 6:00 p.m., Main Hall.

TAIKO CLASS

The Stony Brook Taiko Ensemble—for beginning taiko players—meets every Thursday from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the New Ballet Studio, Nassau Hall. For more information and to confirm that the class is being held each week, contact Janet Youngblood at 632-8810 or Janet. Youngblood@stonybrook.edu.