

Women's History Month 2014



In celebration of Women's History Month, Florissant Valley will host a [variety of events](#) throughout March.

The keynote address will be delivered by Adrian E. Bracy, CEO for the YWCA Metro St. Louis, at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, in the Terry M. Fischer Theatre, 3400 Pershall Road. In her address, "Beating the Odds... My Journey to Success," Bracy will discuss her career as an executive for both the St. Louis Rams and the Arizona Cardinals of the National Football League, as well as her calling "to inspire and make a difference in the lives of women and girls." She also will discuss

how the YWCA mission, "eliminating racism and empowering women," is the right fit at the right time in her career and life.

For more information, contact [Janice Nesser-Chu](#).

David L. Underwood Award Nominations

David L. Underwood was known for his love of education. He was deeply concerned with the welfare of students and staff alike. His dedication went beyond office hours – and he tirelessly gave of his time and talents to further the educational mission at Florissant Valley.

Recipients of the Underwood Memorial Lecture Award demonstrate that same dedication and commitment. Chosen by a committee of peers, the recipient exhibits excellence in instruction and a genuine, humanistic concern for students, faculty, staff, and all of education.

Criteria for Underwood Lecture Award

The following criteria were adopted by the committee in October 1975 for selection of the Underwood Award Recipient:

- Must be currently employed at Florissant Valley
- Must have a strong record of achieving excellence in instruction or instruction-related activities
- Must have a record of evidence that shows a genuine contribution to the field of education, and a humanistic concern for faculty, students, and all persons in education
- Must have made contributions clearly beyond what would normally be expected and these contributions must be demonstrated over an extended period of time.
- Must have satisfied these criteria during his or her tenure at Florissant Valley

Nominating Process

Florissant Valley employees may nominate someone for the award. The nominee should be from the ranks of faculty, administrators, or professional staff. This nomination is just a suggestion to the committee members and **is not an application** – so a **simple, short email** to [Joe Worth](#), [Ruby Curry](#) or [Mary Luebke](#) will suffice. **The deadline for nominations is March 7, 2014.** The recipient is selected on the basis of consensus of the committee members.

African American Heritage Celebration at Florissant Valley

Discover more on African American heritage at St. Louis Community College - Florissant Valley during a month-long celebration in February. Throughout the month there will be numerous discussions, lectures, exhibits and presentations. Click [here](#) for a complete schedule of events.

All events are FREE and open to the public. Special accommodations are available for persons with disabilities by calling 513-4323.

Employee Recognition

Congratulations to Pauline McFall, career and employment services, who received an 'Above & Beyond' acknowledgements for February. If you know someone who has gone above and beyond normal work expectations to improve the St. Louis Community College – Florissant Valley experience and environment for student, parents, employees and all constituents of the college, please fill out this [employee recognition form](#).

Art News



Colleagues

Artwork by Art Department faculty members Robert Langnas, Janice Nesser, Eric Shultis, & Michael Quintero will be featured in the exhibition, "*Colleagues*," at the Contemporary Gallery on the campus of STLCC - Meramec, 11333 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO. Opening reception: Thursday Feb 27, 4:30-6:30 p.m. The exhibition is on view Feb. 27 - March 28.

The exhibition features the work of full-time Art Department faculty from all four St. Louis Community College campuses and the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Click [here](#) for more information.

Varsity Art XVIII

Art department students Jerren McKenney and Dominic Phillips will represent Florissant Valley in the exhibition, "*Varsity Art XVIII*" at Art St. Louis, 1223 Pine Street, St. Louis, MO, 63103. Opening reception: Friday, March 7, 6-8 p.m. The exhibition is on view March 7 - 24.

Varsity Art

The 18th annual "*Varsity Art*" invitational exhibition features outstanding undergrad & grad level art students from 17 St. Louis regional colleges and universities from Missouri and Illinois. Click [here](#) for more information.

Ox-Bow Scholarship

Art Department students Laura Hunter and Andrea Minard have been awarded the annual **Ox-Bow** scholarship by the Florissant Valley Art Department. The scholarship opportunity was developed and is coordinated by Art Department faculty member Eric Shultis. It provides two Florissant Valley students with a 3/4 scholarship to Ox-Bow, a 103 year-old summer school of art and artists' residency that offers intensive courses. Located on 115 acres in Saugatuck, MI, Ox-Bow is proudly affiliated with School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

STLCC - Florissant Valley Career & Networking Fair

Tuesday, March 25, 2014
10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Florissant Valley – Student Center Multipurpose Room
For more information contact Pauline McFall at 513-4227.

Global Education Events

Florissant Valley has been shining lately in the news regarding Global Education events, not just locally, but nationally. The latest news to be published is an article about the campus's Fair Trade marketplace that was written by Mark Manteuffel. You can find the article in the [CCID Winter Newsletter](#).

The Psychology of Serial Killers

Presented by Professor Steve Christiansen, Psychology Department
Friday, March 7, 2014
Noon
Instructional Resources (I.R.) Third Floor



Planting Seeds

Kudos to the Biotech Club. They have begun planting the spring flowers that we will see around campus this year.

The White Elephant Gift Auction and Post-Valentine's "We Love Our Students" Party

Sponsored by: American Association for Women in Community College (AAWCC)

Why: Raising money for the AAWCC-STLCC Scholarship Fund
Where: Ely Walker Lofts, 1520 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63103
Parking is curbside or in the lot behind Windows on Washington for \$3 or behind the Ely building for \$5. Bring exact change for parking charges.

When: Friday, Feb. 28, 5 to 8 p.m.
What to Bring: A creatively wrapped white elephant gift with a funny riddle attached, a snack to share, and your bidding prowess! We will have pledge cards available if you would like to pay for your lucky auction item via credit card.

Can't attend? You can drop off your wrapped white elephant gift at STLCC FV, Business Building, Room 232. You can still make an [online tax-deductible donation](#) to the AAWCC Scholarship fund.

Select "Give to a Scholarship Now"
Enter donation amount
Select 'Add Donation'

Earl E. Bird



On Tuesday, March 4, St. Louis Community College is beginning a new campaign featuring Earl E. Bird, the bird to spread the word about the importance of early registration to currently enrolled students.

Earl E. Bird will encourage students to:

- See an advisor and/or get a degree audit
- Take advantage of their priority (VIP) registration date
- Pay for classes (or register for the pending aid or payment plan) by May 9

If you agree that Earl's goals for students are important, you can help. Earl E. Bird will be featured in a variety of ways, including social media, YouTube, on-campus and on the stlcc.edu website. But the best way to introduce Earl E. Bird to your students is by taking 30 seconds to show the video premier during your class on March 4. Simply visit STLCC.EDU on March 4 and click on the image of Earl E. Bird.

Eighty percent of returning students who registered early continued with their education, according to Community College Journal of Research and Practice [Volume 26, Issue 3, 2002](#). Students who take Earl's advice by May 9 will be registered automatically to win their choice of an iPad or \$500 book scholarship. Stay tuned for more information in the upcoming weeks!

Read All about It!

In case you missed it, here are a few highlights from STLCC Now, the college's new online information resource.

- [Smugala Signs with McKendree University](#)
- [STLCC to Host FAFSA Events](#)
- [STLCC-Forest Park Hosts St. Louis Teen Talent Semifinal Round](#)
- [Underwood Library Receives Scholarly Book Donation](#)

To access STLCC Now, visit <http://now.stlcc.edu>. Please share this site with others outside the college!

Introducing #stlccadjunct

Attention Adjuncts: You are invited to join a new online forum for adjunct faculty at St. Louis Community College.

#stlccadjunct is a professional development community designed just for you.

This is your forum to:

- Learn best practices of teaching and learning.
- Encourage self-analysis and personal reflection that will manifest itself in the classroom.
- Motivate you in a self-directed, differentiated, ongoing and job-embedded manner.

Spring Topics:

How to Handle Challenging Students

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2-3 p.m.

Faculty and Social Media Use

Wednesday, March 19, 2-3 p.m.

Why do you serve as an adjunct instructor?

Wednesday, April 2, 2-3 p.m.

For more information click [here](#).

St. Louis Community College Night at the Blues

St. Louis Blues vs. Dallas Stars • March, 11, 2014, 7 p.m.

Get discounted tickets to see the St. Louis Blues play the Dallas Stars and support the St. Louis Community College Foundation. Tickets are \$20 each and a portion of the ticket price goes to support student scholarships and programs at STLCC. Follow this [link](#), select "Find Tickets" and enter STLCC. Create an account using your email address.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank the Florissant Valley campus community for their expressions of sympathy after the passing of my father-in-law. Your kind words were greatly appreciated. -Kedra Tolson-

TIDBITS

FORMS & TEMPLATES

- [Business Card Order Form](#)
- [Photo Release](#)
- [STLCC PowerPoint](#)
- Sign up for [STLCC ALERT](#)

LIBRARY

Avid Reader? Check out our [new books](#) in the library.

HUMAN RESOURCES HINTS

Have You Checked Out the Human Resources Webpage? It contains information about employment, benefits, labor relations and everything HR. Click [here](#) to check it out.

Important Dates

CCBT Social
Wednesday, March 5
4:30 - 7 p.m.

[Las Fuentes](#)

Commencement 2014
Sunday, May 18
7:30 p.m.

Chaifetz Arena (SLU)

[Commencement Instructions](#)
[Graduation Apparel Order Form](#)

Innovation Announcement
March 26
President's area
2 p.m.

Underwood Announcement
April 10
3rd floor library
12:30 p.m.

Graduate Reception
May 8
Multipurpose Room
2 - 3 p.m.

DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO SHARE?

Public Information and Marketing wants to hear your story idea! We are looking for student success and achievement, successful alumni, faculty and staff awards and achievements, upcoming events and more. If you have an idea for a story, please let us know by emailing ktolson@stlcc.edu or rgomez15@stlcc.edu.