AULA | MFA Alumnus Awarded the Dayton Literary Peace Prize

At a gala dinner on November 20th, Susan Southard will be awarded the Dayton Literary Peace Prize for her book *Nagasaki: Life After Nuclear War*. The prize is the only international literary peace award given in the United States and it celebrates the power of literature to promote global understanding. Susan is an alumnus of the Antioch University MFA in Creative Writing Program.

“Her writing is deeply ethical, ever mindful of context, allowing the voice of the “other” to speak directly to us often in dialogue that includes phrases of transliterated Japanese,” said Rubén Martínez, 2016 finalist judge.

“I accept this beautiful award in memory of the hundreds of thousands who died 71 years ago and in the years that followed, and the countless more who faced the acute and long-term terrors of post-nuclear survival,” said Susan. “Peace is an arduous endeavor and impossible to achieve without a commitment to understanding the grievous harm our actions inflict on others.”

Read more.

AU | On-Demand Training Webinars and Live Webinars Available to Antioch University Community at No Cost

Through a partnership with the Southwestern Ohio Council for Higher Education (SOCHE), the entire Antioch University community now has access to more than 100 on-demand training webinars and live webinars at no cost.

The online training is provided by Innovative Educators, which has been providing online training for educators and students for more than ten years. They provide rich content in several core areas including at risk populations, campus safety, organizational development, student success, teaching and learning, as well as technology.

Through the agreement with SOCHE, the training is open to all faculty, staff, and students of Antioch University. Learn more about all the available programs at Innovative Educators. To register for any of the trainings visit SOCHE Education On Demand.
Roger Peterson, Ph.D., Professor and Distinguished Senior Scholar, has been invited to be on the keynote panel for the Annual meeting of the National Council of Schools and Programs of Professional Psychology. He will speak on: “NCSPP and the Practitioner-Scholar Model: Strengths, Omissions, and Shortcomings.”

Read more.

Antioch University Seattle Clinical Mental Health Counseling master’s student Lindsay Meagher-Swanson is scheduled to present Strength-Centered Counseling, Bipolar Disorder, Medication Compliance and Healthy Self, supported by co-presenter and CMHC chair Colin Ward at the 2017 American Counseling Association Conference & Expo in San Francisco, CA. This 60-minute educational session is an expansion of a paper Meagher-Swanson wrote in Ward’s Psychopathology course this spring, which explored the ways that Ward’s Strength-Centered Counseling approach can be applied to the treatment of bipolar disorder.

The 2017 American Counseling Association conference will be Meagher-Swanson’s third time contributing biopsychology/mental health academic content to a professional conference, and second time as first author.

Read more.

The AUS Couple and Family Therapy Associate Chair Jennifer Sampson, founder of the Hoarding Project, helped Governor Jay Inslee to see the need for declaring October 24-29, 2016 Hoarding Disorder Awareness Week in Washington State. Sampson also coordinated the 3rd Annual All-Day Hoarding Conference in the Tukwila Community Center on Friday, October 28th. AUS CFT Chair Kirk Honda’s podcast Psychology In Seattle has also recorded a special episode, Hoarding Awareness Week, to honor the occasion.

In honor of Jonathan Daniels, local organizations, individuals, and youth have come together to create and install ten banners on Main Street in Keene, NH. The banners feature images of Jonathan Daniels and quotes from local youth about the privilege of voting.

Last spring, the Center for Civic Engagement at Antioch University held two deliberative dialogue sessions around the topic of voter participation. During the April forum,
“Democracy Depends on Voter Participation,” a number of ideas and initiatives were generated by participants. One idea was to honor Jonathan Daniels and his fight for voter rights throughout the community during the current election process. This idea was brought to a local youth group, which engaged with a number of community organizations to create the banners.

Read more.

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**AUNE | Local Solutions 2016 Report Released**

What do local decision makers need to adapt to a changing climate? Antioch University’s Center for Climate Preparedness and Community Resilience is pleased to release the Local Solutions Report: Identifying and meeting the needs of local communities adapting to climate change.

This report coalesces and analyzes data from four original data sources, including the Center’s Local Solutions Survey, local decision-makers’ evaluations of climate preparedness capacity-building programs, and community need statements. We offer recommendations to inform priorities for developing actionable climate adaptation data sets, facilitating regional collaboration and adaptation action, public policy, government budget setting, and private sector funding and investments. You can download the report below.

**Download here.**

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**AUNE | Dr. Christina Devereaux Participated In Panel at ADTA Conference**

AUNE Dance Movement Therapy Associate Professor, Dr. Christina Devereaux, participated in an invited interdisciplinary dialogue panel, “Polyvagal-informed therapy for trauma, attachment and autism” at the American Dance Therapy Association (ADTA) national conference in Bethesda, MD.

Other panelists include: Dr. Stephen Porges, a Distinguished University Scientist at the Kinsey Institute at Indiana University Bloomington and Research Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Dr. C. Sue Carter, Director of the Kinsey Institute, and leading dance/movement therapists Kalilla Homann and Amber Gray.

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**AUM | Faculty and Student Represent AU at Ohio Articulation and Transfer Fair**

Antioch University Midwest faculty attended the SOCHE (Southwestern Ohio Council for Higher Education) Articulation and Transfer conference on October 21st at Clark State Community College. Faculty members networked with colleagues from regional public and private two and four-year institutions. They attended a keynote session on College Credit Plus and multiple breakout sessions on topics including updates from the Ohio Department of Higher Education (formerly the Ohio Board of Regents), Prior Learning Assessment Portfolios, CTAGs, the Student Success Leadership Initiative on Guided Pathways, and changes in the International Baccalaureate
program. The conference concluded with a panel comprised of students who have participated in College Credit Plus and other transfer and articulation options including AUM’s own Luciana, who highlighted her experience as a student in the 3 + 1 Pathways program with Clark State Community College.

AULA | American Horror Story

AULA Library hosted “American Horror Story” as an October literary experience in the realm of genre fiction and speculative abstracts. The students from Kate Maruyama’s summer lit class—LIT4370 American Horror Story and Speculative Fiction—read their ultimate writings built through the ten week course. The library’s audience cringed through haunting tales of social commentary about abortion, open carry weapons, molestation, and the apocalypse all set to the backdrop of the fourth floor view of Holy Cross Cemetery and the Wilshire Boulevard Skyline.

Kate Maruyama is Chair of the AULA Alumni Association; Adjunct Faculty for MFA and Undergraduate Studies Program in LA, and dedicated to the writing community she has helped develop through AULA’s inspiration2publication.com and throughout Los Angeles. Her debut novel Harrowgate (47North, 2013) is now available in paperback. Read more.

AULA | Antioch Walks

For more than 25 years, faculty, students, family, and friends of AULA have participated in AIDS Walk Los Angeles, raising funds for service organizations dedicated to improving the lives of people affected by HIV and AIDS. Antioch Walk’s goal this year was to raise $5000 and they exceeded that goal by raising $6325 with more funds still arriving. “Star Walkers” are the fundraising elite, each raising $1,000 or more. This year AULA had two Star Walkers, Joy Turek and Abby Goldstein.

“We’ve managed to make it to the top 10 teams several times, despite being a smaller institution than most,” said Joy Turek, Psychology Program Chair. “We walked our talk and, by so doing, had an impact on the lives of people living with HIV and AIDS.” Joy has proudly served as captain of Antioch Walks since AULA’s first year of participation. The walk took place in Grand Park, located in Downtown LA, on Sunday, October 23rd. View photos.

AUSB | Congratulations to the 2016 W&L Cohort

Congratulations to the 14 women of our third Women & Leadership cohort who finished their final program residency in October. The group presented their work to an enthusiastic crowd of supporters and were awarded their certificates of completion. Read more.
AULA | Dr. Theo Burnes Co-Edits “Teaching LGBTQ Psychology”

MA in Clinical Psychology Associate Professor and Director of the LGBT specialization, Theodore R. Burnes, PhD, MSEd, is the co-editor of the newly released book “Teaching LGBTQ Psychology – Queering Innovative Pedagogy and Practice.”

Theo and his co-editor, Jeanne L. Stanley PhD, MSEd, created this book because they noticed the lack of written resources around the understanding of gender and sexuality education. Theo mentions that the creation of this book “has emphasized the different processes, various ways that people understand sexuality education.” Whether or not the primary subject matter is sexual orientation and/or gender diversity, how instructors address LGBTQ identities is important for the education of all learners.

Cadyn Cathers, MA, affiliate faculty in the LGBT Specialization of the MA Clinical Psychology Program, co-authored of one of the chapters on teaching LGBTQ psychology in community settings.

The book will be released on January 15, 2017.

Read more.

Chancellor’s Corner

Having completed a visit of all campuses, and holding several virtual meetings with our non-campus-based faculty and staff over the past few weeks, I continue to be so impressed with the hard work and focused attention by so many. At every level, people are working long hours and bringing their best thinking and effort to the future of this institution. For that, I am eternally grateful.

The campus meetings were quite intense. Continue reading here.