AWARDS

AULA Professor Emerita Stephanie Glass Solomon’s “Foot Soldiers for Justice” Awarded Grant

Antioch University Los Angeles (AULA) Professor Emerita Stephanie Glass Solomon received the Puffin Foundation Ltd. Grant for Photography for her work “Foot Soldiers Never Die” in 2016. Later, she created “Foot Soldiers for Justice,” a video and website that address the nation’s ongoing struggle for the right to vote, and against voter suppression.

Glass Solomon was inspired by the sight of a middle-aged black man in Selma, standing by an old sedan with T-shirts spread across the hood. Hoping to sell the shirts, he was holding one up. It read, “Foot Soldiers Never Die. The 50th Anniversary. They marched for me and they didn’t even know my name.”

“My intent was and is to contribute as a Foot Soldier,” says Glass Solomon, “and to support the movements for social justice as an Artist Activist.”

To learn more about “Foot Soldiers for Justice” and to view her video visit: http://www.antiochla.edu/2016/05/31/stephanie-glass-solomons-foot-soldiers-for-justice/

Excellence in Library Research Winners Named

AULA has announced the winners of the 2016 Library Research Award which recognizes students who demonstrate excellence in the extensive use of library resources. Their research formed the backbone of noteworthy papers and shaped the direction and spirit of their work. Recipients include:

- Arielle Silver — Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing — for: “Wicked, Selfish, and Cruel: An Inquiry into the Stepmother Narrative,”
- Mary Sutton — Master of Arts in Urban Sustainability — for: “Public/Private Financing of California’s Prisons and Jails.”
• Raquelle Mayoral — Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing — received an honorable mention for her paper, “Black Ecopoetics: Analyzing Scribes of the Black Experience in American History.”

The Library Research Awards are generously funded by Amy Smith, Antioch alumna and librarian at heart. Smith believes that a vital library is essential to the intellectual life and welfare of a university and wants to promote the lifelong skills of library research and critical thinking. Each winner will receive a prize of $800.00 and be honored at a ceremony in the AULA Library on June 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Read more at: http://www.antiochla.edu/2016/05/25/2016-library-research-awards-announced/

Antioch University New England Awards Charlton (Charlie) MacVeagh Jr. with Honorary Doctorate Degree

Antioch University New England (AUNE) bestowed Charlton (Charlie) MacVeagh Jr. of Marlborough, New Hampshire, with an honorary doctorate degree at its commencement ceremony on May 14, 2016, in Keene.

MacVeagh served on Antioch University New England’s Board of Visitors and was a charter member of the AUNE Board of Trustees in 2009. He is completing his third year as board chair. During his entire tenure, he has tirelessly championed AUNE and has given selflessly of his time, wisdom, and work. In 2012, Mr. MacVeagh received AUNE’s Horace Mann Spirit of Service Citizen’s Award.

Read more about Charlie MacVeagh.

AUNE’s Horace Mann Spirit of Service 2016 Award Winners Announced

Judy Putnam, Michael Simpson, and Carmela DeCandia, respectively. The presentations will be made at the sixth annual Horace Mann Spirit of Service Awards event on Friday, September 16, at the Keene Country Club.

The Horace Mann Spirit of Service Awards are named in honor of Horace Mann, Antioch College’s first president, noted abolitionist and educator. The award program recognizes individuals “who have won victories for humanity,” through their work and volunteerism. By celebrating these individuals and honoring Mann’s ideals, AUNE continues its commitment to public service, community engagement, diversity, lifelong learning, sustainability, and social justice.

Read more about this year’s winners at: http://www.antiochne.edu/aunenews/horace-mann-spirit-of-service-2016-award-winners-announced/
**Antioch University Seattle Alumna Wins Best Short Documentary at the Rainier Film Festival for “Present Moment”**

Aimie Vallat, a graduate of the Antioch University Seattle Center for Creative Change Master’s Program in Communications, is the co-director, co-writer, and a producer on the award-winning 2015 film, “Present Moment.” In the words of the film’s synopsis:

“Present Moment” is a collaborative film project documenting a family negotiating the realities of a long term, degenerative illness: Parkinson's Disease. The film is a celebration of living life well — despite whatever health challenges one might face. Our protagonist's wisdom, honesty and courage inspires the viewer while reminding them of their own innate resiliency.

“Present Moment” also won Best Short Documentary at the 2016 Rainier Independent Film Festival, the Audience Favorite award at the 2015 Tumbleweed Film Festival, and was an official selection at a number of other festivals throughout 2015 and 2016.

[Click here to learn more about the film!](#)

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**Antioch University New England Commencement 2016 | A Life of Service**

*Student Speaker–Jason Rhoades, PhD, Environmental Studies*

Dr. Melinda Treadwell, vice president of academic affairs, asked me to talk about a life of service today. Within that context, I will discuss the importance of both success and failure as we endeavor to win victories for humanity and for the larger natural world. If we set out with the goal of creating meaningful, positive change for society and the environment, it is not going to be easy. It is not going to happen quickly, or as planned, and it will not be without disappointments and setbacks. In so many other aspects of our lives we exercise remarkable control and are accustomed to having things go according to our expectations. But often, our efforts to effect change will rarely follow our planning. These failures might make us feel unsuccessful. How shall we find the resilience to keep up the fight? How can we be willing to take the big risks needed to create change? I think we need to do something different than just being okay with failure. We need to completely change the way we think about success and failure.

[Read more](#) and be inspired.

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**BA Alumnus Runs for California’s State Senate**

Students and AULA Alumni to Explore the Los Angeles River

Antioch University Los Angeles students and alumni will explore the wonders of the fascinating Los Angeles River, once a symbol of urban desolation, now a beacon of renewal and transformation. Master’s in Urban Sustainability program founder and AULA alumnus Donald Strauss will lead the tour, detailing the river’s history from verdant oasis for native peoples, to concretized flood channel made famous by Hollywood, to its potential future as an urban destination for residents, visitors, and wildlife alike. The tour group will visit three locations where they will explore this history as well as consider the possibilities and controversies of what may lie ahead.

AUS Celebrates India Initiative Trip

On Friday, May 20th Antioch University Seattle (AUS) celebrated international student learning. In the words of faculty member Dr. Angie Hoffpauir:

The AUS students who went on the recent service learning experience in India presented a celebration of their activities and learning from their recent trip. There was a short video presentation as well as personal stories from the students. I have been reading the integration of learning papers the students wrote, and am humbled by the amount of learning that took place on this cultural immersion service learning trip.

A similar gathering took place after the first service learning trip in 2014 and the project continues to be a meaningful experience for participants and the entire AUS community.

AUS community members GiveBIG at the Seattle Sounders FC match

The Antioch University Seattle community had a wonderful night out at the Seattle Sounders Football Club's GiveBIG match at Centurylink Field. The Give BIG match celebrated the kickoff of the Seattle Foundation’s day of annual giving which supports local nonprofits. Thanks to the Seattle Sounders FC, The Seattle Foundation, and a special thanks to Board of Trustees member, Steve Crandall!

Celebrating AUS Faculty and Staff

AUS honored the amazing faculty and staff members who make Antioch University Seattle both unique and great at its annual Employee Appreciation Luncheon on Thursday, May 19th. The community is also also celebrating its retiring faculty members who will be presenting “Final Faculty Reflection” lectures during the coming weeks.
PsyD Students to Present Dissertations in May and June at AUSB

Several students in the Doctoral Program in Clinical Psychology (PsyD) at Antioch University Santa Barbara (AUSB) will be presenting their doctoral dissertations in the upcoming weeks. All members of the AUSB community are invited. Presentations include:

- “An Exploration of Moral Injury as Experienced by Combat Veterans” by Marjorie McCarthy, MA
- “The Remembered Experience of Adoption: Factors Supporting Healthy Adjustment” by Crystal Gonsalves, MA
- “Psychoneuroimmunology: New Modality for Psychoeducation: Enhancing Treatment Efficacy and Reducing Sexual Offender Recidivism In Court-Mandated Treatment” by Cameron Zielder, MA
- “The Lived Experience of Facilitating the Violet Oaklander Model of Psychotherapy for Children and Adolescents” by Blake Brisbois, MA
- “Frequencies Between Serial Killer Typology and Theorized Etiological Factors” by Leryn Messori, MA
- “Factors Influencing Father Involvement with Children Diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder” by Kayleigh Hay, MA
- “Bind, Tether and Transcend: Achieving Integration through Extra-therapeutic Dance” by Megan Marie Kain, MA

Find the schedule and more at: http://www.antiochsb.edu/2016/psyd-doctoral-candidate-dissertations/

MA in Education Students at AUSB Share Poster Conversations on June 1

This year’s Master of Arts in Education Public Conversation Poster Session will be Wednesday, June 1, from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at Antioch University Santa Barbara. Each year the Master’s candidates share their research and invite the community to join in these informal and public “conversations.” Eleven topics will be presented.

“Antioch’s Master’s students benefit greatly from these conversations,” said Gary Delanoeye, Affiliate Faculty with the MAE program. “As they describe their work, their understanding of their topics deepens. The insights they get from the conversations inform their research and help them understand the implications for the discussion chapter of the thesis.”

All members of the AUSB community, including alumni, are cordially invited to this event, and refreshments will be served. More information, including the speakers and specific topics can be found at: http://www.antiochsb.edu/2016/ma-education-poster-conversations/Publications

AUNE Alumna and Author Jennifer Lovett’s First Book, “Beavers Away!” Published by Beaver’s Pond Press

Beaver’s Pond Press has published “Beavers Away!” a children’s book written and illustrated by Jennifer Lovett, alumna of the Master’s in Environmental Studies program of 2014. Based on a true story about Elmo Heter, a game warden for Idaho Fish and Game in the 1950s, “Beavers Away!” chronicles Heter’s efforts to relocate beavers away from an area where they’d become a nuisance and into an area of Idaho where their activity would be beneficial to the habitat.

However, the plan had a major obstacle: The beavers’ destination was remote and not
Ultimately, Heter devised a plan to safely reintroduce beavers to the area by parachuting them from the sky. Once landed, the sky-diving beavers were able to quickly restore an eroded and barren landscape, transforming it into a lush habitat that provided food and shelter for many other types of animals.

Nearly 70 years later, the story of Elmo Heter and a beaver named Geronimo is particularly significant, highlighting the importance of innovation in restoring and conserving wetlands to mitigate the effects of climate change.

Read more about “Beavers Away!”