WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

HONORS WEEK 2013

Showcasing the work of students who are completing one of the tracks of the University Honors College

HONORS WEEK KICK-OFF EVENT

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 – UC 168 A/B

Please join us for lunch beginning at 12:15 p.m.

Student Presentations begin at 12:40 p.m.

SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 UC 168 A/B

LUNCH AT 12:15

12:40—5:30 Presentations by students in the Music, Social Sciences, Life Science and Environmental Ethics, and Cognitive Science Tracks. Lunch/Refreshments served.

7:00 — 9:00 P.M. Cheng Library Auditorium

Presentations by students in the Performing and Literary Arts Track. Reception follows.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

12:00 — 6:00 P.M. UC 168 A/B

Presentations by students in the Management, Marketing, Social Sciences, Independent, Humanities, and Performing and Literary Arts Tracks. Refreshments will be will be served.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

10:00 — 2:30 P.M. UC 168 A/B

Presentations by students in the Independent, Nursing, and Biopsychology Tracks.

Please see the following pages for the full schedule and more information about the presenters.

Two Honors seniors, Benjamin Kovacs and Cynthia Antunes, have been selected to present their thesis projects during this year's Honors Week Kick-Off event on Tuesday, April 16 in UC 168. Ben is a music major and is completing the Music Track of the Honors College under the direction of Dr. Jeffrey Kresky. He will present his thesis project,

"A Stylistic Analysis and Performance

Benjamin Kovacs

of the Written Works of Thad Jones." His project was supervised by Professor Cecil Bridgewater of the Music department. Ben was awarded the Honors College Scholarship, the Music Talent Trustee Scholarship and the New Trustee Scholarship. He plans to attend graduate school.

Cindy is majoring in Communication Disorders and chose a minor in Spanish. She is completing the Social Sciences track of the Honors College under the direction of Dr. Neil Kressel. She will present her Honors project, "The Effects of Accent Perception on Employability." Her



thesis project was supervised by Dr. Maria Villar. Cindy was **Cynthia Antunes** awarded the Honors College Scholarship, the New Trustee Scholarship and the Portuguese-American Scholarship. She has also been active in the Honors Club. Cindy plans to continue in graduate school at William Paterson's Communication Disorders M.S. program.

Thesis presentations of over seventy students completing one of the tracks of the Honors College continue on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, April 16-18, in UC 168 A/B. Please see the following pages for the complete schedule and more information.

A special welcome to the students who are participating in the Pioneer Overnight Program!

It is our pleasure to welcome thirty-three high school seniors who are visiting us this week as part of the Pioneer Overnight Program hosted by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. While on campus, the prospective William Paterson students will have the opportunity to interact with current Honors students, spend the night in High Mountain East, and attend Honors classes and Honors thesis presentations. The Honors faculty, staff, and current students welcome you and hope that you have a great experience during your visit at William Paterson University!

STUDENT PRESENTATION SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, April 16		
Univer	sity Commons, 168 A/B	Univer
12:30	Honors Week Kick-off Opening Remarks	12:00
	by Dr. Susan Dinan, Honors College Director	12:15
12:40	Benjamin Kovacs <i>Music</i>	12:30
1:00	Cynthia Antunes Social Sciences	1:00
1:20	Karlene Chi Life Science and Env. Ethics	1:15
1:35	John Fromholtz Cognitive Science	1:45
1:50	Peter Lin Music	2:00
2:05	Caleb Rumley Music	2:15
2:20	Pamela Dragosh Music	2:45
2:35	Corrine McCarthy	3:00
2:50	Cognitive Science William Landon	3:15
3:05	Cognitive Science Daniel Filipak	3:30
3:20	Music Christopher Koschier	3:45
4:05	Humanities Janna Domenico	4:00
4:20	Life Science and Env. Ethics Katie McNamara	4:15
4:35	Cognitive Science Ezana Taddese	4:30
4:50	Cognitive Science Stephanie Guevara	4:45
5:05	Cognitive Science Ashley Smith	5:00
5:20	Cognitive Science	5:15
5.20	Cognitive Science	5:30
		5:45

Vednesday, April 17TheIniversity Commons, 168 A/BUniversity		
2:00	Kelly Ann Tacore Management	10:00
2:15	Luis Vaca Marketing	10:15
2:30	Hanifah Wilson Management	10:30
:00	Christopher Kalwa Management	10:45
:15	Shannon Pagan Social Sciences	11:00
:45	Alexandra Megalos Independent	11:15
:00	Nicole Fetkowitz Humanities	11:30
:15	Jennifer Tempio Humanities	11:45
:45	Stephan Bisaha Performing and Literary Arts	12:00
:00	Amanda Muraca Life Science and Env. Ethics	12:15
:15	Richard Siegler Humanities	12:30
:30	Lindsey Freedman Humanities	12:45
:45	Jessica Camacho Humanities	1:00
:00	Jessica Bonilla Humanities	1:15
:15	Brielle Takas-Sakes Independent	1:30
:30	Michelle Matesic Humanities	1:45
:45	Ashley Weinstein Humanities	2:00
:00	Miranda Van Dunk Social Sciences	2:15
:15	Joseph Toth Social Sciences	
:30	Erica Calella Humanities	
:45	Rebecca Costantini Humanities	

Thursday, April 18

University Commons, 168 A/B

0:00	William Manzo
	Independent
0:15	Lauren Boyton
	Nursing
0:30	Hannah Vallangca
	Nursing
0:45	Kristine Malig
	Nursing
1:00	Tenzin Nelung
	Nursing
1:15	Kristina Palermo
	Nursing
1:30	Christopher Klobus
	Nursing
1:45	Erin Wydner
	Nursing
2:00	Sandra Zavala
	Nursing
2:15	Min Kang
	Nursing
2:30	Nhat Nguyen
	Nursing
2:45	Alyssa Beres
	Independent
:00	Lorato Anderson
	Independent
:15	Brittany Mucha
	Biopsychology
:30	Ariel Gungil
	Humanities
:45	Gabriella Tosto
	Biopsychology
:00	Derek Voyticki
	Biopsychology
:15	Alyx Weaver
	Biopsychology

Tuesday, April 16 — 7:00 p.m. — Cheng Library Auditorium Performing and Literary Arts Track

Ryan Barckley Emilija Bitinaityte Brian Cornish Sarah Culp John Demeski Michael Dorcelly Nick Jorgensen Peter Kennedy Elizabeth Masci Amanda McDonald Bethany McMinn PJ Rasmussen Jessica Semeraro Sandy Sainvil Caroline Sanchez Pardis Shohrati Cortney Wisbauer

ABOUT THE PRESENTERS...



LORATO ANDERSON

Honors Track: Independent Major: Biology **Thesis Title:** *Role of CCR2+ inflammatory* monocytes in defense against Aspergillus fumiaatus Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amariliz Rivera-Medina



EMILIJA BITINAITYTE

Honors Track: Performing & Literary Arts Major: Nursing Thesis Title: The Sum of All Things Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



CYNTHIA ANTUNES

Honors Track: Social Sciences Maior: Communication Disorders Minor: Spanish Thesis Title: The Effects of Accent Perception on Employability Thesis Advisor: Dr. Maria Villar



JESSICA BONILLA

Honors Track: Humanities Major: Political Science Thesis Title: Woman as Commander In Chief Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman



ALANA BALESTRA

RYAN BARCKLEY

Honors Track: Cognitive Science Majors: Elementary Education TSD and Psychology Thesis Title: The Impact of ADHD on Selective Attention Tasks Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth

Honors Track: Performing & Literary Arts

Major: Communication (Broadcast

Thesis Title: Livingston Bicentennial

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



LAUREN BOYTON

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: Relationship Between Spirituality, Anxiety and Depression Among **BSN** students Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry



Honors Track: Humanities Major: Accounting Minor: Economics Thesis Title: The Role of Accounting in the Enron Era: The Rise and Fall of Arthur Andersen Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman

ALYSSA BERES

Journalism)

Honors Track: Independent Majors: Biology and Secondary Education Thesis Title: The Silent Equine Killer:EPM Thesis Advisor: Dr. Claire Leonard



STEPHEN BISAHA

Honors Track: Performing & Literary Arts Major: Communication (Print Journalism) Thesis Title: Radio Drama Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



JESSICA CAMACHO

Honors Track: Humanities Major: Nursing Thesis Title: Filipino Nurses in America Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman

KARLENE KAY TAN YEE SING CHI

Honors Track: Life Science and Env. Ethics Major: Philosophy **Thesis Title:** *The Bioethical Struggles* of the Filipino American Thesis Advisors: Dr. Miryam Wahrman and Dr. Karen Swanson











BRIAN CORNISH

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: Jazz Performance Thesis Title: *The Future of Jazz* Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



PAMELA L. DRAGOSH

Honors Track: Music Major: Music (Performance) Thesis Title: Sensors and Smartphones: How today's technology can be used to improve playing technique Thesis Advisor: Dr. David Weisberg



REBECCA CONSTANTINI

Honors Track: Humanities Major: English (Writing) Thesis Title: Content, Minimalism, and the Editorial Process: An Analysis of the Editorial Relationship Between Raymond Carver and Gordon Lish

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Martha Witt



SARAH CULP

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: Music Education Minor: Classical Voice Thesis Title: *The Six Wives* — A libretto Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



DANIEL FILIPAK

Honors Track: Music Major: Jazz Performance Thesis Title: The Life and Music of Charles Mingus Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Kresky



LINDSEY FREEDMAN

Honors Track: Humanities Majors: History and Secondary Education Thesis Title: The Effects of the Battle of Gettysburg on the Civilians Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman



JOHN EDWARD DEMESKI

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: English (Writing) Thesis Title: Life and Character Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



JOHN FROMHOLTZ

STEPHANIE K. GUEVARA

Honors Track: Cognitive Science Major: Computer Science Minor: Biology Thesis Title: Creation of UML Diagram Thesis Advisor: Dr. Cyril S. Ku



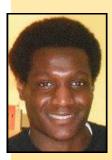
JANNA DOMENICO

Honors Track: Life Science and Env. Ethics Majors: Chemistry and Spanish Thesis Title: A Theoretical Investigation of Organic Semiconductor Herterojunction Potentials

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Gary Gerardi



Honors Track: Cognitive Science Majors: Early Childhood Education (P-3/K-5) and Psychology Thesis Title: Verbal Intelligence as a Predictor of False Memory Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth



MICHAEL DORCELLY

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: English (Writing) Minor: Interpersonal Communication Thesis Title: Untold Realities Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



ARIEL GUNGIL

Honors Track: Humanities Major: Philosophy Thesis Title: The Skeleton of the Hero Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman





NICHOLAS JORGENSEN

CHRISTOPHER KALWA

Honors Track: Management

Thesis Title: *Financial Implications*

of a Diversified Energy Portfolio

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Raza Mir

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Majors: Music and Secondary Education Minor: Voice Thesis Title: Stars Don't Dot Our Sky

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



BENJAMIN KOVACS

Honors Track: Music Major: Performance Music Thesis Title: A Stylistic Analysis and Performance of the Written Works of Thad Jones Thesis Advisor: Professor Cecil Bridgewater

WILLIAM ANDREW LANDON

Honors Track: Cognitive Science Major: Computer Science Thesis Title: Programs to Assist Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder: Games that use Discrete Trial Training Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. Cyril S. Ku



MIN KYUNG KANG

Major: Finance

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Minors: Biology and Psychology Thesis Title: A Comparison of Course Delivery Methods in Nursing Education: Student Satisfaction, Perceived Stress, and Anxiety Thesis Advisors: Dr. Christina McSherry



PETER LIN

Honors Track: Music Major: Jazz Studies and Performance Thesis Title: Slide Hampton: An Analysis of Selected Solos Thesis Advisor: Professor Cecil Bridgewater

PETER KENNEDY

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: Music Education Thesis Title: Sketches Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



KRISTINE MALIG

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: Correlation of Attitudes Towards Mental Illness and Social Distance Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry



CHRISTOPHER KLOBUS Honors Track: Nursing Majors: Nursing Thesis Title: The Effectiveness of Electronic Medical Records Systems and Its Impact on the Quality of Care Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry



CHRISTOPHER KOSCHIER Honors Track: Humanities Major: Communication Thesis Title: *Modern Ethics* Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman





WILLIAM MANZO

Honors Track: Independent Major: Biology Thesis Title: Effects of Retinol and Phytol on Limb Development in Tadpoles Xenopus laevis Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jaishri Menon

ELIZABETH MASCI

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Majors: Secondary Education and English (Writing) Thesis Title: My Not-So-Euro-Chic European Holiday Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari





MICHELLE MATESIC

Honors Track: Humanities Majors: Studio Art and Secondary Education (K-12) Minor: History Thesis Title: *Is It Artificial or Art*? Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman



CORRINE MCCARTHY

Honors Track: Cognitive Science Major: Psychology Minor: Communication Disorders Thesis Title: Enhancing emotion recognition in a child with autism spectrum disorder: an intervention using The Transporters Thesis/Project Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



BRITTANY MUCHA

Honors Track: Biopsychology Major: Biology Thesis Title: DHA diet protection from poly I:c Thesis Advisor: Dr. Robert Benno



AMANDA MURACA

Honors Track: Life Sciences and Env. Ethics Major: Chemistry Thesis Title: The Effect of Agricultural Chemicals on the Environment Thesis Advisor: Dr. Karen Swanson



AMANDA MCDONALD

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Majors: Mathematics and Education Thesis Title: Stories of Mine Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



TENZIN Y. NELUNG

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: Do College Students Who Exercise More Have a Lower Risk of Anxiety and Depression Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry



BETHANY GRACE MCMINN

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Majors: English (Literature) and Secondary Education with TSD endorsement Thesis Title: Koti Parker Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



NHAT MINH NGUYEN

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: Relationship Between Social Supports, Stress, and GPA Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry



KATIE MCNAMARA

Honors Track: Cognitive Science Major: Communication Disorders Minor: Psychology Thesis Title: Childhood Apraxia of Speech: A Case Study Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



ALEXANDRA MEGALOS Honors Track: Independent Major: Mathematics Thesis Title: A Day in the Life

Thesis Advisor: Professor Jerry Beal

of an Autistic Person



SHANNON PAGAN

Honors Track: Social Sciences Major: Psychology Minor: Communication Disorders Thesis Title: Speech Impediments Used as a Form of Humor Specifically in Cartoons Thesis Advisor: Dr. Neil Kressel

KRISTINA PALERMO

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: The Effect of Physical Activity on Self Esteem Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry





PHILIP J. RASMUSSEN

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: Jazz Studies and Performance Thesis Title: Adventures in Flight Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



CALEB RUMLEY

Honors Track: Music Majors: Jazz Studies and Music Education Thesis Title: The Role of 3-Horn Groups in Jazz

Thesis/Project Advisor: Professor Cecil Bridgewater



SANDY SAINVIL

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: Communication (Theater & Comedy) Minor: Psychology Thesis Title: *I am Haitian* Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari





RICHARD SIEGLER

Honors Track: Humanities Major: History Thesis Title: The Current State of Napoleon's Military History Thesis Advisors: Dr. John Peterman and Dr. Susan Dinan

ASHLEY NICOLE SMITH

Honors Track: Cognitive Science Major: Psychology Thesis Title: Conceptual and methodological problems: A meta-analysis of the relationship between public policy and child abuse, neglect and maltreatment Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth

KELLY-ANN TACORE

Honors Track: Management Major: Financial Planning Thesis Title: Female Leaders within Financial Planning Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bela Florenthal



CAROLINE SANCHEZ

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Major: Music (Sound Engineer Arts) Thesis Title: Some Kind of Fiction Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



JESSICA SEMERARO

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Majors: Special Education (K-12) and English Thesis Title: *Hopeless* Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



EZANA TADDESE

Honors Track: Cognitive Science Majors: Psychology and Anthropology Thesis Title: Priming Color Descriptions in a Conversational Setting Thesis Advisors: Dr. Natalie Obrecht, Dr. Matthew Stone, and Dr. Amy Learmonth

BRIELLE TAKACS-SENSKE

Honors Track: Independent Major: Communication (Public Relations) Thesis Title: Public Relations Event Planning Thesis Advisor: Professor Lorra Brown



PARDIS SHOHRATI

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Majors: Psychology and English (Writing) Minors: Biology and French Thesis Title: Lull Me Away: A Novel Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



JENNIFER TEMPIO

Honors Track: Humanities Majors: Elementary Education and English (Literature) Thesis Title: An Exploration of Free Will Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman









GABRIELLA TOSTO

JOSEPH THOMAS TOTH

Honors Track: Social Sciences

LUIS E. VACA

Honors Track: Marketing

Honors Track: Biopsychology Majors: Biology and Psychology Thesis Title: Information processing, executive function and memory in brain injury: Behavioral, Cognitive and Physiological correlates Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond

Majors: History and Secondary Education

Acceptance Speeches: A Content Analysis

Thesis/Project Advisor: Dr. Neil Kressel

Majors: Marketing and Global Business

Thesis Title: Consumer Perceptions of

Country of Origin in the Car Industry

Thesis Title: Presidential Nomination





ALYX WEAVER

Honors Track: Biopsychology Major: Biology Minor: Philosophy Thesis Title: Use of S-HTza Antegonisty Altanserin and its effects on the innate antinaciceptive ability of BTBR7+H/Jmice Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jeung Woon Lee

ASHLEY S. WEINSTEIN

Honors Track: Humanities Majors: English (Writing) and Secondary Education Thesis Title: When Numbers Rule the World: An Analysis of the Cultural Qualifications of Numerology Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman

HANIFAH WILSON

Honors Track: Management Major: Business Management Thesis Title: Capturing the Attention of HR Managers With High Impact Resumes Thesis Advisor: Dr. Mahmoud Watad



HANNAH VALLANGCA

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Shan Feng

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: Mood and Risk for Depression Between Living on Campus and Living at Home Among College Students Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry



MIRANDA VAN DUNK

Honors Track: Social Sciences Major: Communication Disorders Minors: Psychology and Anthropology Thesis Title: Application of Psychological Theories and Ethnosemantics to Vodka Advertisements Thesis Advisors: Dr. Neil Kressel

and Dr. Maria Villar



DEREK VOYTICKI

Honors Track: Biopsychology Major: Psychology Thesis Title: Find Out Who You Are Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth









CORTNEY WISBAUER

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts Majors: Art Studio and Secondary Education (K-12) Thesis Title: The Meaning of Darkness

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari

ERIN WYDNER

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: Relationship Between Fatigue, Anxiety, and Quality of Life in Adults With Crohn's Disease Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry

SANDRA ZAVALA

Honors Track: Nursing Major: Nursing Thesis Title: What is the Relationship Between Perceived Stress, Sleep Quality, and Dietary Habits in Nursing Students Thesis Advisor: Dr. Christina McSherry

HONORS WEEK AT WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

Each spring, the Honors College showcases the work of students who are completing one of the Honors College tracks, and recognizes the faculty and staff members who have contributed to their success. For the 2013 Honors Week Kick-Off event on Tuesday, April 16, Benjamin Kovacs and Cynthia Antunes have been chosen to represent the outstanding work of Honors College students.

Presentations by all the Honors students who are completing their thesis projects continue throughout the week, which culminates in a banquet on Thursday, April 18, recognizing the graduating Honors students and their parents, as well as all the Honors students, and faculty and staff who are involved in the Honors College. Congratulations to all of the outstanding individuals who are being recognized during Honors Week 2013!

About the Honors College at William Paterson University...

The University Honors College is a place where academically gifted students explore new ideas and engage in intellectual and creative collaborations with experienced and dedicated members of the faculty. Honors students are offered a comprehensive educational experience that brings together academic, residential, social, and cultural experiences. Approximately 350 students are actively participating in the Honors College in Honors sections of General Education courses and/or one of the eleven Honors Tracks. Each fall, about 100 new students enter the Honors College, and about half of those live in the Honors Learning Community in High Mountain East, one of the newest residence halls on campus.

Students in the Honors College pursue a disciplinary major and an Honors track. The track may parallel the major, relate to the major, or be very different from the major. Although the various tracks have different requirements, each track culminates in a thesis or significant research or creative project that the student presents to the University community. The two oldest tracks, Biopsychology and Humanities, were established in 1976. The Honors Program was established in 2000, and was expanded into the University Honors College in 2005. There are currently eleven Honors tracks: Biopsychology, Cognitive Science, Humanities, Independent, Life Science and Environmental Ethics, Management, Marketing, Music, Nursing, Performing and Literary Arts, and Social Sciences.



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