



Anne Vaccaro to judge first NCHC art award competition

Ann Vaccaro, M.F.A., has been named judge of NCHC's first annual Art Acquisition Award Competition.

Entry blanks (pink) were mailed to honors program directors and honors college deans and directors during the first week of March. All honors students enrolled in programs or colleges that are NCHC members are eligible to enter up to three artworks each.

Vaccaro is associate professor of art and former chair of the art department at Edison Community College in Piqua, Ohio. A graduate of Beaver College in Philadelphia, she earned her PhD. at the Tyler School of Art of Temple University, also in Philadelphia.

She is represented by the Albertson-Peterson Representatives, Winter Park, Fla.; Gallery 500, Elkins Park, Pa.; and the Peter M. David Gallery, Minneapolis, Minn.

Her work resides in private, public, and corporate collections throughout the United States and across the seas, including the Art Institute of Atlanta, Ga.; AT&T Collection in New York, N.Y.; Emory University; Delta Airlines; Hyatt Regency of Hong Kong; Kaiser Permanente; Price Waterhouse; the J. Walter Thompson Agency and dozens of others.

She has enjoyed one-person shows in Pennsylvania, Georgia, Louisiana, Florida, Texas, New York and Ohio.

At Edison CC, she instituted majors in fine art and developed a commercial art degree program, founded and developed the college art gallery which she currently directs, and teaches courses ranging from painting to 2-dimensional design, from color theory to costume design.

Honors directors and deans should look for a pink brochure detailing the rules of the 2006 NCHC Art Acquisition Award Competition. The brochure and entry blank are also available on the NCHC website by clicking the button marked "Art Competition."

The contest is open to students at all NCHC member institutions and carries a prize of \$250 purchase of the winning artwork and a complimentary conference registration worth \$250.

Students may enter up to three artworks in categories including prints, photography, oils, acrylics, watermedia, textiles, pencil, colored pencil, charcoal, pen and ink, markers, computer art, glass, ceramics, polymers, wood, clay, metal, marble, stone, and pastels.

Submissions are due by May 15, 2006. For more information, call 402-472-9150 or check the website.

NCHC extends proposal date

Spring (break) is in the air. To help accommodate schedules around breaks, NCHC has extended the deadline for online submissions for proposals for presentations at the 2006 NCHC annual conference.

The new deadline is 5 pm CST, Friday, March 24!

You can submit proposals for general sessions, poster presentations, idea exchange, student interdisciplinary research panels, and master



classes.

Click the conference link on the website to go directly to the online submission form.

Questions? Call 402-472-9150 or e-mail us at nchc@unlserve.unl.edu.

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Deadlines and Meetings (See Page 2)

- March 24:** Deadline for submission of proposals for presentation at 41st annual NCHC conference
- April 15:** Early registration deadline for Site Visitor Training Faculty Institute
- April 21:** NCHC Student Day
- May 1:** Deadline to make hotel reservations for Site Visitor Training Institute
- May 15:** Deadline to enter NCHC Art Purchase Award competition
On-line registration for 41st annual NCHC conference opens
- June 9-11:** Publications Board meeting, Port Townsend, Washington
- June 15:** Strategic Planning Committee meeting, Lincoln, Nebraska
- June 16-17:** Committee chair retreat-Board of Directors meeting, Lincoln, Nebraska
- June 23-25:** Honors Semester Committee meeting, Brooklyn, New York
- June 30:** Deadline to submit newsletters for NCHC newsletter contest
- July 21-22:** 2007 Conference Planning Committee Meeting, Denver, Colorado



ED-ifying News

by Patricia Ann Speelman,
Executive Director

Two down, one to go. I'm talking about NCHC Faculty Institutes this year. Place as Text institutes in Miami and Memphis were extremely successful, by all measures. (See photos of the Blues Terrains workshops on Page 3).

Next up is the Assessment and Evaluation of Honors Programs and Colleges Faculty Institute in Lincoln, Neb., in July. That sounds like a long time from now, but the deadline to register at a reduced fee is April 15. And that's not very far away at all!

Be sure to look for the pink brochure that came in the mail. It gives the details about our brand new Art Acquisition Award Competition. Your artful students won't want to miss out the opportunity to compete for a spot for their work in the NCHC organizational collection.

And don't forget to complete the online proposal submission forms for next fall's conference: "Liberty: Foundation for Inquiry, Innovation and Invention."

Looking ahead



Kambra Bolch (left) of Texas Tech University and Joan Digby of Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus, add input to flip chart pages during NCHC's Strategic Planning Committee meeting in Tampa, Fla., in February.

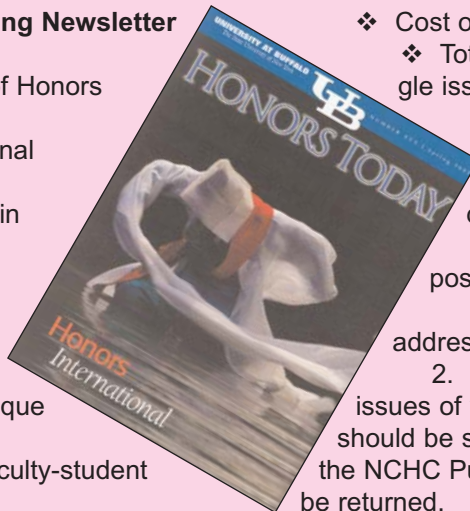
Newsletter contest seeks entries for 2006

Karen Lyons, associate director of the honors program at University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and chair of the newsletter contest, gave us the following suggestions to share with members:

How To Produce An Award Winning Newsletter

Why have a newsletter?

- To promote an awareness of Honors learning within higher education
- To create enriched educational opportunity for Honors students
- To assist Honors Programs in improving intellectual discourse on campuses
- To provide communication with internal and external audiences
- To provide students with unique academic experiences
- To allow opportunities for faculty-student collaborative learning.



What information is required to enter the contest?

1. Submit a cover letter with the following information:
 - ❖ Select the category that best describes your newsletter:
 - a) Produced entirely by students

b) Produced by faculty/administrator alone or with students

- ❖ Number of students in your program
 - ❖ Number of copies per issue
 - ❖ Number of issues published each year
 - ❖ Cost of printing one issue
 - ❖ Total cost of production and mailing of a single issue
 - ❖ Estimated time to edit and layout one issue
 - ❖ The target audience (Honors students only, Honors faculty, all faculty, etc.)
 - ❖ Statement of the newsletter's purpose
 - ❖ Contact person including summer addresses of both student and Honors director
2. Submit four (4) copies each of two (2) issues of your newsletter (a total of 8 examples should be submitted). Submissions are property of the NCHC Publications Board and will not be returned.

Contest Deadline: June 30, 2006

For more information contact: Karen V. Lyons, PhD Associate Director, Honors Program; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 118 NRC, 540 N. 16th St., Lincoln, NE 68588-0659 or email: klyons2@unl.edu.

Phone: (402) 472-2456, (402) 472-5425. Fax: (402) 472-8204.

How to submit

Articles to *Journal of National Collegiate Honors Council* and to *Honors in Practice*: E-mail to Ada Long at adalong@uab.edu. Phone: 850-927-3776.

Papers for conference presentation: Click on 2006 Conference Information on NCHC website and follow instructions: www.nchchonors.org.

Applications for Site Visitor Training Institute: Mail to NCHC, 1100 Neihardt Residence Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 540 N. 16th St., Lincoln, NE 68588-0627.

Entries for Art Acquisition Award Competition: Mail to NCHC, 1100 Neihardt Residence Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 540 N. 16th St., Lincoln, NE 68588-0627.

Entries for Newsletter Contest: Mail to Karen V. Lyons, PhD, Associate Director, Honors Program, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 118 NRC, 540 N. 16th St., Lincoln, NE 68588-0659.

*Highlights of the Faculty Institute in Memphis, Tennessee
"Exploring Blues Terrains: Experiential Teaching and Learning"*

March 2006



Clockwise from top left: During the opening reception at Southwest Tennessee Community College, Delta novelist John Pritchard talks with facilitator Ada Long; Clark McKinney of STCC, Martin Sherry of Lower Columbia College, Cynthia Staudt and John Kandl of Walsh University, Stephen Schulman of Ball State University and Gloria Cooper of Long Island University enjoy dinner; The group enthused about the blues with Bobby "Blue" Bland and his wife (center front row); Bluesman John Billington jams with Daniel Paterno, a student at Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania; Sherry, Mary Ann Bodayla of STCC, Schulman, facilitators Shirley Thomas-Forbes and Bernice Braid, and Beverly Mitchell of Columbia State Community College talk about how to use experiential learning exercises on their home campuses; Schulman, Frances Daniel, Long, facilitators William Daniel and Clarence Christian, and Mitchell explore an overgrown cemetery in Mississippi. Other participants were Marcha Hunley of Cincinnati State Technical & Community College, Shannon Kolder, a student at University of Arizona, Robert Lossmann and Nicholas Schevera of College of Lake County, Stephen Nichols of Lancaster Bible College, George Paterno of Kutztown University, and NCHC Executive Director Patricia Ann Speelman.

Honors in Action



Kent (Ohio) State University students in a Freshman Honors Colloquium display the quilt they made, each student defining her identity with a square. The class theme dealt with women's ways of knowing. Honors dean is Larry Andrews.



Eighty faculty members came together at University of Cincinnati to discuss new and emerging practices in honors teaching and learning on February 9 for the 5th annual half-day Regional Honors Faculty Development Seminar. Philip Way, director of the University Honors Scholars Program, welcomed Randy Bass, pictured here, and Heidi Elmendorf of Georgetown University as keynote speakers for the event.

To submit photos for "Honors in Action," send as jpps to nchc@unlserve.unl.edu. Enclose information for the captions: people's names, what the activity is, name of school, name of honors director or dean. You must get written permission to publish from anyone in the photos before you send the photos to us.

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Deadline nears for Assessment rolls

April 15 is the deadline for registrations at a reduced fee for the next Faculty Institute: "Assessment and Evaluation of Honors Programs and Honors Colleges."

The institute will take place in Lincoln, Neb., at the NCHC headquarters, July 6-8, 2006.

Facilitators will include Ron Brandolini of Valencia Community College, Rosalie Otero of University of New Mexico, Rolland Pack of Freed-Hardeman University, and Bob Spurrier of Oklahoma State University.

The fee for NCHC members is \$300. It rises to \$400 after April 15.

See the NCHC website for more information or call 402-472-9150.

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The Job Board -- *Positions available across the country*

Dean of CUNY Honors College

The City University of New York (CUNY) invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the CUNY Honors College. Designed to provide an outstanding educational opportunity for academically gifted students, the CUNY Honors College (CHC) offers a challenging undergraduate experience shaped by the combined resources of CUNY and New York City. The Honors College operates in consortium with the honors programs at seven CUNY campuses: Baruch College, Brooklyn College, The City College, The College of Staten Island, Hunter College, Lehman College, and Queens College. Accepted applicants, designated University Scholars, enroll in one of these participating colleges to become a student in the CUNY Honors College.

Reporting to the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and serving as a member of the University's Office of Academic Affairs Senior Staff, the University Dean is responsible for administering and enhancing the quality of this unique program in areas that include recruitment and admissions, budget, fundraising, curricular development, and co-curricular advisement. The Dean provides academic leadership and ensures teaching quality. CHC: University Scholars Program now serves more than 1,200 students who are located on the seven participating senior college campuses in all five boroughs of NYC. CHC provides an exceptional undergraduate experience for high-performing students, a Cultural Passport providing entrance into the premier cultural establishments of the City, full tuition support, and an academic expense account which encourages study abroad and paid internships. Responsibilities include:

Collaborating closely with senior members of the Office of Academic Affairs, the Office of Admission Services, and the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment;

Providing leadership for curriculum development;

Collaborating closely with Provosts and Honors Directors of the senior colleges in order to address campus-specific issues;

Overseeing all financial aspects of the College, including annual budgets and the students' academic expense accounts;

Engaging in fundraising efforts with the CUNY Honors College Foundation;

Chairing the Council of College Honors Directors; and

Managing a staff of eleven.

Preferred qualifications for the position: An earned doctorate degree and a minimum of eight (8) to ten (10) years administrative experience in a complex organization; outstanding communication and strong interpersonal skills; demonstrated experience in strategic planning and outcomes assessment; a distinguished scholarly record and at least five (5) years of managerial experience; ability to artic-



ulate a vision for the future of the Honors College; a record of promoting successful teamwork and fostering collegiality; working with high-performing students and finding it engaging and satisfying; fundraising experience; and demonstrated commitment to the role of cultural diversity in higher education.

To apply: Send cover letter, résumé, and three professional references to: Ms. Dolly Martínez, Executive Director, Office of Executive Search and Evaluation, The City University of New York, 535 East 80th Street, Room 304, New York, NY 10021. E-mail: Dolly.Martinez@mail.cuny.edu

Nominations should include a letter of nomination and, if possible, the nominee's curriculum vitae. The review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. The position is available on or before July 1, 2006. Salary and benefits are competitive and commensurate with experience.

CUNY is an EEO/AA/IRCA/ADA Employer

Coordinator of Special Events and Alumni Affairs (Higher Education Assistant), The Graduate Center, CUNY Honors College

Inaugurated in the Fall of 2001, the CUNY Honors College (CHC) is dedicated to providing outstanding educational opportunities for academically gifted students from the five boroughs of New York City and beyond. The Honors College program includes generous financial support for students who are designated "University Scholars" upon admission. In addition, the Honors College offers its students unique interdisciplinary seminars focusing on New York City, access to instructional technology, dedicated mentors and advisors, internships, study abroad experiences and a Cultural Passport that provides entrance to the vast cultural resources of New York City. The Honors College operates in consortium on seven CUNY campuses: Baruch College, City College, Hunter College, Lehman College, Queens College, and the College of Staten Island. Currently, the Honors College has approximately 1,200 University Scholars enrolled on all seven campuses.

The Coordinator of Special Events and Alumni Affairs reports to the Dean of the Honors College, and will work closely with him/her and other members of the Honors College administration to achieve the Honors College's goals for recruit-

ment and retention of students, maintaining close ties with alumni, and publicizing and celebrating the College's success. The Coordinator plays a key role in the growth and development of the Honors College by building the reputation of the Honors College among prospective and admitted students and the general public, fostering a sense of community among new and continuing students, strengthening ties with alumni and friends and ensuring their continued productive association with the Honors College through new and varied programs and activities. The primary functions of the Coordinator are to establish and manage the Calendar of Events for the Honors College; to plan, implement, and assess events within budget; to serve the needs of the College's freshman and senior classes by means of cross-campus orientation events for freshmen and an annual year-end Convocation ceremony for graduating seniors; and by designing and executing effective alumni programs and activities aimed at potential donors to the College. The Coordinator works collaboratively with the Honors College central staff, the Honors College Program Directors at each of the seven partner campuses, and the staff of the CUNY Graduate Center and other CUNY campuses.

Duties: The duties of the Coordinator of Special Events and Alumni Affairs include, but are not limited to, the following:

Event Planning: Plan and coordinate recruitment events designed to generate interest in the program among college counselors, high school juniors and seniors, admitted students, and families; plan and implement curriculum-related common events and special events for four cohorts of Honors College students, numbering approximately 1,200; plan and coordinate cross-campus orientation program for entering freshmen; plan and implement annual year-end convocation ceremony for graduating seniors; generate alumni loyalty through programs designed for the Honors Association.

Alumni Relations: create and maintain a database of Honors College alumni; maintain and update contact lists, and records achievements of alumni; identify and provide assistance to leadership of the Honors Association of Friends and Graduates of the Honors College; work with alumni to establish alumni events schedule; assist in the production of an alumni newsletter.

Yearbook: work with the senior class to design and edit a yearbook for students from all seven campuses; identify an Editor-in-Chief and assist in all matters of creating the Yearbook, including photography, writing and editing, soliciting sponsors, and managing project budget; advise the student Yearbook Committee on the establishment of deadlines and the negotiation of contract with publisher.

Qualifications: The Coordinator of

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Special Events and Alumni Affairs must have: BA/BS degree and four years related experience required; familiarity with the entire Microsoft Suite, Windows NT, and Lotus Notes; excellent communication, writing, editing and interpersonal skills, ability to manage multiple projects, meet deadlines, and stay within budget; experience in events planning and budget administration, preferably in a college setting.

Salary: \$45,801/A - \$58,558/A commensurate with experience.

Send cover letter and resume with contact information of 3 professional references by the above closing date to: Coordinator of Special Events Search, CUNY Honors College, The Graduate School and University Center, 365 Fifth Avenue Room 3316, New York, NY 10016.

Additional information available at www.gc.cuny.edu.

Dean of the University College,
Kennesaw State University

Kennesaw State University, a growing and progressive public university within the University System of Georgia, seeks an experienced, energetic, and creative leader to serve as Dean of the University College, beginning July 1, 2006. KSU enrolls over 18,000 traditional and nontraditional baccalaureate and master's students on an attractive campus in NW Metropolitan Atlanta. KSU has a reputation for innovation and has been spotlighted in national publications as an institution that is "On the Move." U.U. News and World Report has recognized KSU's First-Year Experience Program among the best in the nation and cited the university's Learning

Communities as one of 25 outstanding programs across the country

KSU's University College is a leader among the new breed of "university colleges" intentionally focused on promoting academic excellence and student success throughout the undergraduate experience. The Dean of the University College reports to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and provides leadership and support in a variety of curricular concerns and administrative activities. The College collaborates with the Division of Student Success and other units to ensure outstanding services for first-year students at KSU, including advising, orientation, and special student support initiatives. It supports interdisciplinary programs like Community-Based Learning and the American Democracy Project and impacts all KSU undergraduates by providing coordination for the university's General Education Program. The College also houses the new B.S. degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. The Department of University Studies, housed in the University College, provides leadership for Learning Community courses and sponsors an award-winning Honors Program, First-Year, Sophomore-Year, and Senior-Year Experience Programs, Joint Enrollment Honors Program, Learning Support Programs, English as a Second Language and Mathematics Laboratory.

The successful candidate is expected to have an earned doctorate; a record of academic achievement that qualifies for appointment as a full professor; administrative experience directing interdisciplinary or first-year programs, preferably at the chair or dean level; commitment to KSU's focus on teaching and learning and

to excellence and diversity in scholarship and service; a progressive vision for the advancement of the University College; strong communication, interpersonal, and team building skills; personal commitment to advancing diversity and the success of all students. Evidence of success in grant writing and/or external resource acquisition is preferred.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled. To assure consideration, please send inquiries, nominations and applications by March 27, 2006.

Candidate should e-mail a letter addressing qualifications listed above, a statement describing your vision for the ideal role of a university college, a vita, and a list of five references (names, titles, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses) to Dr. Charley Bowen, Chairperson, Search Committee for Dean of the University College, at cbowen@kennesaw.edu.

This search is assisted by Dr. TED Marchese of the Academic Search Consultation Service. For further information, contact him at 202-263-7478 or via e-mail at tjm@academic-search.org.

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For question about this position opening, contact Dr. Charley Bowen, Dean of Student Success at cbowen@kennesaw.edu or Dr. Lendley Black, Vice President for Academic Affairs at lblack@kennesaw.edu.