

MCAD FACULTY

Welcome back to MCAD and the beginning of fall classes! This is our first bi-weekly email focused on important information and news for faculty. We look forward to hearing your feedback throughout the fall on topics you would like to see included here. Remember, you can always submit your own news by submitting details to this [form](#).

As you know, this fall semester, **the health and safety of our entire community is paramount** and we encourage you to visit the [Forward Together](#) website and the [MCAD COVID-19 Preparedness Plan](#) document for the latest information regarding the college's protocols and policies related to COVID-19.

The entire staff of Academic Affairs is here to support you in your work and we wish you a fantastic fall semester!

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Announcements & Reminders

Welcome to new full-time faculty members AY20/21:

Erin Moren - Visiting Faculty, Fine Arts

Gonzalo Reyes Rodriguez - Visiting Faculty, MFA Program

Aki Shibata - Assistant Professor, Fine Arts

Welcome to new adjunct faculty members for fall 2020:

Julie Benda, Fine Arts

Naomi Chan, Media Arts

Mara Duvra, MFA Program

Aaron Grey, Media Arts

Matthew Irwin, Liberal Arts
Monroe Isenberg, Fine Arts
Krista McCullough, Media Arts
Cristin McKnight Sethi, Liberal Arts
Savana Naini, Liberal Arts
Mike Nelson, Media Arts
Marsha Olson, Liberal Arts
Kobby Osafo-Appiah, Media Arts
Emmett Ramstad, MFA Program
Emily Roehl, Liberal Arts
Caitlin Sidey, Arts Entrepreneurship
Lindy Wilson, Media Arts
Ghennifer Zando-Dennis, Media Arts

Academic Year 20/21 full-time faculty sabbatical status:

Jen Caruso - Fall 2020 sabbatical
Gretchen Gasterland-Gustafsson - Spring 2021 sabbatical
John Gaunt - Fall 2020 & Spring 2021 sabbatical
George Mahoney - Fall 2020 & Spring 2021 sabbatical
Ben Moren - Fall 2020 & Spring 2021 sabbatical

Reminders:

- Add/Drop Period is 8/31 - 9/4 (for classes starting 8/31)
- Learning & Disability Services will email accommodation letters on Wednesday, September 2nd; subsequent letters will be emailed one by one
- *No class on Monday, September 7th: Labor Day*
- Check Final Class list on [myMCAD](#). Attendance Verification must be submitted to Records by Friday, September 11th.
- Log-in to Paylocity to verify and/or update all personal information & view Pay Stubs. [Learn more](#) & [log-in](#)
- Sign up for e2Campus Emergency Alerts: intranet.mcad.edu/department/public-safety

- If you haven't already done so, request an official transcript be sent to Academic Affairs from the institution which awarded your highest degree to this mailing address:

Minneapolis College of Art and Design

Attn: Academic Affairs Official Transcript Request

2501 Stevens Avenue

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404

- Provide your current resume to Academic Affairs via email to this address: accreditation_assessment@mcad.edu

Resources

- For those who had signed up for the "Priming the Canvas" workshop, you can access workshop resources [here](#)
- MCAD Add/Drop form [how-to video](#)
- To submit items for future issues of this communication, use this [form](#)
- From the library:
 - [Anti-Racism: Some suggested resources](#)
 - [Open Educational Resources](#)
 - [Request items to be added to Course Reserves](#)

Events

- [2020 MCAD Faculty Biennial](#)
 - Friday, August 28th - Wednesday, October 28th
- Open Forums for Faculty with Robert Ransick, Vice President of Academic Affairs
 - Wednesday, September 9th noon-1 pm [Google Meet](#)

- Wednesday, October 7th noon-1 pm [Google Meet](#)
 - Wednesday, November 11th noon-1 pm [Google Meet](#)
 - [MCAD MFA Fall show 2020](#)
 - Friday, September 11th
 - 7-8 pm: Physically distanced exhibition at outdoor perimeter of Main Building
 - 8-9 pm: Screening on MCAD lawn
 - [MFA Fall 2020 Professional Practices Series: The Business of You](#) - Ruby Lerner
 - Thursday, September 17th 6:30 pm
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Kudos

An article co-authored by Melissa Rands, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs, entitled [An Ethnographic Case Study of Affordances in an Architecture Design Studio](#) was published in *Teachers College Record* V. 122 No. 8

Miscellaneous

MCAD alumnus, Lauri Lyons, launched a petition to change the Confederate name of African burial grounds in Savannah, GA - it can be signed & shared [here](#). Lauri will be teaching a CE course this fall: [Social Justice and Diversity in the Media](#).
