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Dear MCAD Faculty,

Sanjit and I will be holding an All Faculty Meeting on Tuesday, October 19, 12:10-1:00 p.m., in Aud 150 and on <u>Zoom</u>. We will be sharing updates from the President's Office and from Academic Affairs, as well as providing time for open conversation and to check-in with one another.

Full Time Faculty are required to attend. Adjunct Faculty are welcome and will be compensated for attending.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Warmly, Robert Vice President of Academic Affairs

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All times listed in Central Time

PRIORITY DEADLINES

All Spring 2022 Textbook & Materials information is due Friday, October 22* To help students plan financially for their upcoming semester, it is important that we notify them of all textbooks and materials costs at the time of registration. Therefore, we ask that all faculty complete the Textbook and Materials form for every class you are teaching in Spring 2022, even if you are not requiring any textbooks and/or materials (there will be an opt-out checkbox in the form).

Additionally, your materials list should include everything that you will be requiring students to purchase for your course, and the total estimated cost. A range for the estimate (e.g. \$50 - \$100) is fine. Staff in the Art Cellar are available to help you with calculating costs anytime between 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Refer to the email from the MCAD Art Cellar for instructions for completing the Textbook & Material submission form. Please direct any questions about materials to Lindsay Smith, Manager of the Art Cellar, at <u>mcadartcellar@mcad.edu</u>. If you have any questions about textbooks for your course, and/or this process, please consult your departmental chair or director. *Adjunct faculty can wait to submit until their Spring 2022 courses have been assigned.

Midterm Grades and Student Alert Reminder

Midterm grades are due by 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 26. Please submit Fall 2021 midterm grades in <u>myMCAD</u> prior to Tuesday, October 26, at 9:00 p.m.

This is also a good time to submit Student Alert notices for any students experiencing attendance or performance issues in your courses. Student Alert forms may be submitted via the Faculty Info tab of <u>myMCAD</u>, under Online Forms. There is no deadline for Student Alerts--please continue to submit them as necessary through the rest of the semester.

Please contact Records with questions or issues.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

Service Bureau - Class Projects + Advance Scheduling Dearest Faculty-

If you are planning to have an entire class do one type of project that will all be due at once (like a book, booklet, Risograph print, banner print, etc.) we would LOVE it if you'd reach out to us **AT LEAST two weeks in advance** for a consultation meeting and to iron out scheduling and logistics.

We can then plan an in-class visit or demo if necessary. This will make sure that you and your students get all of the info needed for setting up and submitting their files and orders properly. This should also help cut down on confusion and miscommunication and ensure your students get what they need in a timely manner.

Thank you in advance! -Service Bureau

Media Center Update

A general access stop motion station has been added to <u>Places & Spaces</u>! Reservations and keycards required. Keys can be picked up at the MC window.

Covid Rapid Testing Option Now Available At MCAD Learn more <u>here</u>

Reminder: Faculty Headshots Available

For those faculty members who were photographed during Faculty Prep Week, your headshots have been edited, and the jpegs are available for download <u>here</u>. Note: If you need access to a higher resolution tiff for any reason, reach out to <u>designworks@mcad.edu</u> along with the file name you're requesting. We'll be happy to send them along!

- See below for some upcoming Visiting Artist Lectures and view the <u>Fall 2021 Visiting</u> <u>Artist Preview</u> to see more of what's ahead!
- <u>Visiting Artist Lecture: Matt Madden</u>, Aud 150
 - Thursday, October 14, 1:00-2:00 p.m.
- <u>Visiting Artist Lecture: Jessica Vaughn in Conversation with Hamza Walker, Director</u> of LAXART, Zoom

• Monday, October 18, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

- <u>Visiting Artist Lecture: Angela Morelli of InfoDesignLab, Zoom</u>
- O Thursday, October 28, 1:00-2:00 p.m.
 <u>Rooted in Place: Work from Advanced Illustration Seminar</u>, Third Floor Gallery
- Friday, October 8-Monday, October 25
 <u>Eat Street Fall Arts Fest</u>, hosted by the Whittier Alliance
 Saturday, October 16, 12:00-5:00 p.m.
- MFA Fall 2021 Professional Practices Series: Building Your Website
 - Wednesday, October 27, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 - Register <u>here</u>
- Inner Structure-Outer Rhythms: Contemporary Arab & Persian Graphic Design, Main Gallery
 - Wednesday, September 1-Saturday, November 6
- <u>After Hours: Paintings by Continuing Education Students</u>, Concourse Gallery
 - Friday, October 1-Sunday, November 7
 - Opening reception Friday, October 1, 6:00 p.m. in the tent on the MCAD lawn
- Conversations with the VPAA, faculty and staff during the semester
 - For faculty: Noon-1:00 p.m. November 17 and December 8 (Please note the December date is in place of the previously scheduled October 27 date)
 - For staff: Noon-1:00 p.m. November 10
 - Please email Naomi Sack to confirm your attendance.

RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES

Plant Yourself in the Library

Monday, October 11 - Sunday, October 17

Enter your name in the drawing to win a free house plant! An individual can enter once per day and there will be multiple winners picked per day. Names will be drawn on Monday, October 19.

Academic Affairs Virtual Office Hours

In addition to in person office coverage Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Academic Affairs will host virtual office hours for those who may not be on campus.

The virtual office hours will be held every Tuesday and Thursday from noon-1:00 p.m. via <u>Google Meet</u>, or dial: (US) +1 337-435-0339 PIN: 577 981 038# through Thursday, October 28. Please drop in with questions or for assistance.

Assessment Office Hours

Have questions about assessment at MCAD? Wondering how to make it work for you? Take advantage of Eleanor's office hours every Friday at 11! She's here to answer your questions, brainstorm ideas, or even just share musings. Schedule time with her via <u>Calendly</u>.

Forecast Public Artist Grants

Aki Shibata, assistant professor, Fine Arts, serves as Artist Support Grant Coordinator. Grant draft writing can be sent to Aki by 5:00 p.m. CTD , October 13. Apply by 11:59 PM CDT, October 18. Learn more <u>here</u>.

FACULTY ACTIVITIES

Invitation from Ben Moren, associate professor, Media Arts: Singing Ice Album Release / Listening Night

I'd like to invite you to join me for the release of my album with a listening night at Mirror Lab on Saturday, October 23. We will be playing the album all the way through at 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. with a 30 minute duration.

This is my first formal sound/music project and something I spent a lot of the pandemic putting together while in isolation and traveling up north when able. I'd love it if you could come share it with me and have a listen!

The listening will be accompanied by some new video/projection work I've been working on over the past few months and it'll be the first time that work will be shown in any capacity too.

Recorded near and performed inside of a small cabin on Burntside Lake near Ely, Minnesota in the early winter of 2020. Field recordings of singing ice; fracturing ice sending reverberating sounds across a frozen lake, serve as the acoustic foundation of the album. Leveraging physical modeling resonators, responsive synth tones, and other sampling strategies; the resulting soundscapes invite you on a journey across thin ice, and under the surface.

You can hear a few preview tracks and pre-order the album here. Cassettes with download codes will also be available at Mirrorlab!



Album Release/ Listening Night with projections

7PM & 9PM 30 min. duration

3400 Cedar Ave. Masks Required

Album will be available on cassette & digital download



Paula McCartney publishes alum Ky Page's artist book, Heirloom, under her new imprint, Mind the Gap Books

· Part of the work Paula McCartney, adjunct faculty in Media Arts, did during her recent McKnight Book Arts Fellowship was to fund the publication of Ky Page's book, Heirloom, under the imprint Mind the Gap Books. It is a thoughtful and humorous book that also works towards filling a gap in transgender representation in artist book collections. Heirloom is included in the MCAD Library's artist book collection as well as Center for Book Arts, Getty Research Institute, Joan Flasch Artists' Book Collection, the Museum of Contemporary Photography, and the Walker Art Center.



Jessica M. Dandona was awarded "Learn German" Grant for Faculty, by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) (2021)

Jessica M. Dandona, Ph.D., professor, Liberal Arts, was awarded a competitive grant for tuition costs for an intensive German course offered by the Goethe Institut.

Dandona publishes article in the Osler Library Newsletter

Dandona's short <u>article</u>, "Of (Wo)men and Manikins: Obstetrical Simulation in the Collection of the Osler Library," will appear in the <u>Osler Library Newsletter</u> (No. 134 & 135, Summer/Fall 2021). "Published since 1969, the Osler Library Newsletter is a forum to discuss the life and writings of Sir William Osler, and more generally, subjects pertaining to the Osler Library [at McGill University, Montréal, Canada] and its collections." The article discusses some of the 19th-century sources Dandona researched during her time as a Dr. Edward H. Bensley Osler Library Research Travel Grant Recipient in 2018.

FOR YOUR STUDENTS

Alumni Relations Virtual Drop-In Office Hour

Wednesday, October 13 noon-1:00 p.m. Learn more here

MCAD Art Sale Resource Guide & Upcoming Opportunities

Students need to register by October 20 and can learn more here

Student Event Opportunities

- Sleep Info Event by Student Counseling & Wellness, Thursday, October 14, noon-1:00 p.m., MCAD Tent
 - Sleep resources, snacks & gift bags, prize drawings
- Fall Festival BBQ, Friday, October 22, 6:00 p.m., MCAD Tent
 BBQ, spooky games, smoke and lasers, monster movie night
- Fall Festival Zine Fest, Saturday, October 23, noon-4:00 p.m., MCAD Tent

 A mini convention of MCAD students. Zines, comics, and other small
 artworks.

In-person and virtual workshops for returning students

Various academic support areas (3D Shop, Printshop, Library, Media Center, Service Bureau) will be offering in-person and virtual workshops and demonstrations for students that missed instructions on various tools, processes, and techniques during remote learning. Class demos and presentations are available upon request. Please see the listings <u>here</u> or reach out to the academic support areas directly for more information.

Have something to contribute? Submit content for Faculty Focus

Looking to stay up-to-date on all events? <u>Subscribe</u> to the "What's Up at MCAD" Calendar and <u>customize your notifications</u> to never miss a beat.

