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Florida Museum of Natural History Events

Florida Museum hosts free workshop Feb. 24 to celebrate archaeology month

Archaeology Workshop: Prehistoric Hunting Technology gives guests the chance to learn about how artifacts and hunting technology change over time from 2 to 4 p.m. on Feb. 24. Participants of all ages will have the opportunity to throw darts with an atlatl and make their own to take home in this free workshop led by the Florida Public Archaeology Network. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, visit www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/workshop or call 352-846-2000.

Register for summer camps at the Florida Museum

The Florida Museum of Natural History invites students to dive into the sciences and investigate natural history through activities and hands-on exploration during summer camps. Registration opens March 1 for Museum members and March 15 for non-members. Visit www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/summer-camps to register or call 352-273-2061 for more information.

Submitted by Nikhil Srinivasan, Florida Museum of Natural History

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Balsam Range UpStage at the Phillips Center

Balsam Range

Saturday, March 2, 7 pm (SOLD OUT) & 9 pm

UpStage at the Phillips Center

Tickets and More Info.

Lovingly named after a majestic range of mountains that surround their home county of Haywood, North Carolina, Balsam Range is a paragon in the world of bluegrass, and for good reason.

Founded in 2007, this acclaimed group's rise to the top of the bluegrass world has left a well-marked trail of success. With their intricate harmonies and impressive musicianship, they've amassed ten accolades—including Album of the Year (2013, 2017) and Song of the Year (2011, 2015)—at the International Bluegrass Music Association Awards. And even after all of these accomplishments, Balsam Range has gained a reputation for their sincere character and dedication to the bluegrass tradition, both onstage and off.

Submitted Samuel McKee, Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

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Circle of Hope for Cancer Research - LOI Deadline: Feb. 22, 2019

Circle of Hope for Cancer Research is once again awarding $10,000 research grants to two young investigators at Florida Medical Schools who are pursuing careers in cancer research. PhD students and postdoctoral fellows are eligible to apply.

To request the application forms, contact Margaret Friend at frienm@shands.ufl.edu.

Submitted by Margaret Friend, UFHealth Office of Development

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Opportunities to Improve Teaching Skills

UFIT partners with The Graduate School and the CLAS Teaching Center to deliver a series of workshops aimed at developing the teaching skills of UF's graduate assistants, teaching assistants, and Postdocs.

Research indicates that for undergraduate students in particular, TA's and GA's serve in a powerful teaching, mentoring, and tutoring role. Especially in high-enrollment courses, students may have more direct contact and learning time with their TA's and GA's than their instructors. Equipping TA's, GA's, and postdocs with the skills to engage learners supports an impactful and enjoyable learning experience for all. Visit https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/ta-development/workshops-for-teaching-assistants/ to view the Spring 2019 schedule and register for upcoming events. Anyone with questions about these trainings may contact UFIT Education Training Specialist Elliot Tordoff.

Submitted by Mark McCallister, UF Information Technology

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Workshop Series: Building Your Career - Spring 2019

Getting Known: Developing a Web Presence (Feb. 20). This workshop provides an overview of how to create and maintain a professional web presence by using personal websites, digital projects, and social media platforms like Twitter or Facebook. Dr. Hélène Huet, European Studies Librarian.

Getting (Mildly) Famous: Broadcasting Your Expertise (Feb. 27). This workshop provides tips on how to pitch an op-ed and start a podcast: two tried-and-true techniques for making anonymous postdocs into publicly-recognized experts in their fields. Dr. Sean Trainor, Lecturer, Management Communication Center.

All sessions are Period 4 10:40-11:30 a.m.

Room 212 Library West (Scott Nygren Studio)

No registration required

All UF Postdocs, Graduate and Professional Students Are Welcome

Submitted by Barbara Hood, George A. Smathers Libraries

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Passport to Great Teaching Events

The Mirage of Multitasking: Finding Your Focus, Flow, and Finish Line – Feb. 26, Presenter: Scott Blades

The research is overwhelming—our brains aren't built for multitasking. When we constantly juggle various cognitive tasks, we experience decreased productivity, impaired cognitive ability, increased stress, and diminished creativity—all of which reduce us to fractions of the effective professionals we are capable of being. Many professionals surrender to a frantic and unfocused workstyle out of the belief that there is no other way. The modern-day workplace simply demands us to function in this manner, right? Wrong. In this course, you will learn how to recognize and squash your multitasking tendencies and recalibrate your approach to work. By setting clear priorities, increasing your focus, managing your time and effort, reducing physical and mental clutter, executing on what matters most, and giving yourself space to be innovative, you can elevate your performance and put yourself on the path to greater productivity.

For more information and to register for these events visit the FDTE Categories and Activities webpage.

ePortfolios – Feb. 27 & Mar. 26 19, Presenter: Paloma Rodriguez

Faculty and staff attending this workshop will learn about the impact of eportfolio practice on student learning. Attendees will gain an understanding of how eportfolios can support integrative learning (including career development) and improve digital literacy. Participants will discuss best practices for the management and implementation of these projects and will receive additional readings and resources. The workshop includes a 20 minute hands-on tutorial on how to create eportfolios using the free web development platform Wix.

For more information and to register for these events visit the Office of Teaching Excellence Categories and Activities webpage.

There is No Such Thing as a Safe Space: The role of risk in the classroom – Feb. 27, Presenters: Dr. Billy Huff,

Diana Moreno & L.B. Hannahs

Universities in the United States are increasingly met with demands from students, especially our most marginalized students, to provide safe spaces. Simultaneously these spaces are being criticized for catering to "snowflakes." This session will explore the need, and power, of introducing vulnerability, authenticity, and conflict into the learning environment. Facilitators will share experiences of creating brave spaces in the classroom, and lead a discussion on how to faculty can pedagogically challenge and support students to lean into ambiguity and disagreement to create a robust educational experience for all students.

For more information and to register for these events visit the Office of Teaching Excellence Categories and Activities webpage.

Submitted by Zaina Sheets, Office of Teaching Excellence

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Reminders

Postdoc Editors Association - Accepting New Volunteer Editors

Now accepting new volunteer editors for the 2018-2019 Academic Year!

The University of Florida's Postdoctoral Editors Association (UF-PEA) is an editing service that helps postdocs who seek to improve English grammar and writing style. The UF-PEA is comprised of postdoc volunteers from multiple colleges across the University who offer preliminary review of manuscripts, grant applications, posters, slides and other scholarly presentations. While this service will be most useful to postdocs who speak English as a second language, the service is free and open to all postdocs at UF. Our editors provide feedback on structure and style of writing, but refrain from commenting on scholarship which is best honed by interactions between the postdoc and their mentor. UF-PEA facilitates higher level postdoc-mentor interactions by reducing time spent on basic writing needs.

Find out more, volunteer to edit, or submit a document for review at our website!

Submitted by Maha Elbadry, Postdoc Editors Association Editor-in-Chief

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Submit Postdoc Awards & Honors Announcements

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs wants to promote your achievements. Please send notification of postdoc awards and achievements to Lily Lewis or submit a Postdoctoral Achievements Submission Form. Postdoc Award announcements will be included in the weekly UF Postdoctoral Update Newsletter and Awards and other Achievements (such as publications) will be featured on the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs website.

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Submit your UF Postdoc Profile

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is in the process of updating our website and we want to highlight our current postdocs. We invite you to submit content for your profile and let us help you enhance your online professional presence. The online submission form can be found here and current profiles can be viewed here. Note that a professional style profile picture is required. If you do not have a photo, contact Lily Lewis to schedule your photo shoot prior to submitting your profile. Please feel free to contact Lily Lewis if you have any comments or questions

about the submission form or would like assistance crafting your content.

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Postdoc HR Issues:

Insurance and Benefits: If you have questions about benefits enrollment or eligibility, please contact UF's Human Resource Services' GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at benefits@ufl.edu or (352) 392-2477.

Employee Issues: If you are experiencing an issue with your supervisor that is not resolved in your department and need assistance or guidance, please contact Mr. Brook Mercier in Employee Relations in UF's Human Resource Services. Mr. Mercier can be reached at 392-1072 or bmercier@ufl.edu.

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University of Florida Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn

Join this Facebook group for University of Florida postdocs as well as the LinkedIn group.

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FREE Affiliate NPA Membership

If you would like to receive an invitation join the National Postdoctoral Association or if your invitation has expired and you need to be sent a refreshed invitation, please contact Lily Lewis to receive an invitation.

More information.

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FREE NCFDD Membership

The National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity (NCFDD) provide a variety of virtual programs and resources including:

- Weekly **Monday Motivator**
- Monthly **Core Curriculum Webinars**
- Monthly **Guest Expert Webinars**
- Access to **Multi-Week Courses**
- Access to **Dissertation Success Curriculum** for graduate students
- Private **Discussion Forum** for peer-mentoring, problem-solving, & moderated writing challenges

- Monthly accountability buddy matches
- Access to **14-Day Writing Challenges**
- Access to the **Member Library** that includes past webinar materials, referrals, and readings

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4) Complete the registration form using your institutional email address (i.e. @ufl.edu)
5) Go to your institution email to find a confirmation/welcome email. Click "Activate Account" in the email.

If you have any questions about the membership, please contact: Antonio Farias via email at antoniofarias@ufl.edu or by phone at (352) 392-6917. If you have any technical questions, please email NCFDD at Membership@FacultyDiversity.org.

Submitted by Chris Hass, Office of the Provost

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