OIT Faculty Workshop

The Office of Instructional Technology (OIT) is offering a faculty workshop, held in the Center for Teaching Excellence, in Philosophy Hall, BO2 (unless otherwise noted). The workshop schedule is as follows:

**Monday, October 31**

3 - 5 p.m.

Introduction to e-Portfolios

To attend any OIT faculty workshop, register online at www.bcc.cuny.edu/InstructionalTechnology/workshops.

Student Scholarships

Campus Discovery offers every student who is enrolled in a U.S. college a chance to win a $2,500 scholarship. To be eligible, you must be a citizen or legal resident of the United States; be enrolled, or graduated in 2010, 2011 or 2012 with an associate or bachelor’s degree from any accredited two-year or four-year college or university in the U.S.; and complete a survey and answer the required open-ended question online at campusdiscovery.com, no later than January 31, 2012. One survey per person. The survey must include name and contact information and a short original, previously unpublished written response to the scholarship topic, “Assume you could go back in time and talk to yourself as a high school senior. Knowing what you know now about college life and making the transition, what advice would you give yourself?” Your written response must be written in English, with correct spelling and grammar, and it must not exceed two hundred (200) words.

Zinch has set aside $100,000 to be distributed through a scholarship matching program. Zinch will match dollar-for-dollar any eligible scholarship award that you (a registered Zinch user), or a friend you refer to Zinch, are awarded. Awards will be issued on a first-come, first-serve basis until the $100,000 is gone. Here's how it works:

- Sign up with Zinch or login.
- Use Zinch Scholarship Search to find scholarships.
- Click the “Like” button on scholarships that interest you.
- Visit your “My Likes” page and let them know once you've applied, by checking off “I Applied.”
- When you win, send an email to winner@zinch.com, and they’ll send you a check for the same amount.

CUNY Month - Beautiful BCC Exhibit

November is CUNY Month! On Tuesday, November 1, in Colston Hall lobby, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 2 - 4 p.m., stop by and learn about what’s happening at BCC during the month of November. Also, visit the “Beautiful BCC” exhibit highlighting the people, places, and things that make BCC a beautiful place to learn and work. Participants will receive “CUNY Votes” giveaways (while supplies last).

Musical Concert

On Wednesday, November 2, in Meister Hall, Schwendler Auditorium, from 3 to 4:30 p.m., don’t miss a performance by the Benjamin Lapidus Quartet. Born in 1972 to first-generation American Jewish Brooklynites, Lapidus was exposed to music by his grandmother and father, who played in Latin and jazz bands in the Catskills in the 1950s. He has taught popular music of the Caribbean, and world music at John Jay College of Criminal Justice where he is an assistant professor of music.

Eid-Ul-Adha

The campus community is invited to join one of the most celebrated Islamic festivals. Thursday, November 3, from 12 to 2 p.m., in Roscoe Brown Student Center, room 211. Eid-Ul-Adha (Festival of Sacrifice and Sharing) is celebrated with great enthusiasm. This festival commemorates Ibrahim’s (Abraham) willingness to sacrifice his son to God. This festival also marks the end of the Hajj pilgrimage to Mecca. This is an excellent opportunity to meet the Muslim Students Association, and to learn about Islamic culture.

Global Film Series: Eyes Wide Open

Married Jerusalem butcher Aaron (Zohar Strauss) takes pity on homeless student Ezri (Ran Danker) and hires him to work in his shop. But when romantic sparks fly between the unlikely pair, Aaron’s wife, Rivkeh (Tinkerbell), becomes increasingly suspicious. The stern Orthodox community disapproves, and a menacing group of “modesty guards” monitors Aaron’s every move in this tragic Haim Tabakman drama, an official selection at the 2009 Cannes Film Festival. Thursday, November 3, from 12 to 2 p.m., in Meister Hall, Schwendler Auditorium. Moderated and coordinated by Dr. Robert Maryks, Department of History.
**Open House**

On Thursday, November 3, from 4 to 7 p.m., in Colston Hall, lower level, the community is invited to the Y BCC Open House. This is a wonderful opportunity for prospective students and their families to meet with representatives from academic departments, special programs, and financial aid. For information, call 718.289.5888.

**Gifts for Veterans**

The Gifts for Vets Drive has begun, and the day sessions Human Services Case Management class is requesting your help in collecting small gifts, toiletries, entertainment items, etc. for indigent male and female veterans. Gift suggestions include soap, shaving cream, deodorant, books, games, headphones, slippers, neck pillows, blankets, etc. Drop off your donations at the following locations: Loew Hall, room 202; Meister Hall Library Circulation Desk; Meister Hall lobby; Colston Hall lobby; Colston Hall, room 506. The drive will end on Monday, November 7, 2011. All donations will be given to needy veterans who are outpatients at the Bronx VA Medical Center. For more information, please contact Amariliz Gomez, ext. 5662, or Monte Gray, ext. 5673. On behalf of our veterans, thank you for your support!

**Health Services**

Every Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Hispanic AIDS Forum will offer free, confidential oral HIV testing and counseling to the campus community. No needles; results in 20 minutes. Visit the Health Services Office, located in Loew Hall, room 101, for a free HIV test.

On Thursday, November 10, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Meister Hall lobby, join us for Healthy Heart Day! Free cholesterol and diabetes testing, and blood pressure screening. There will be giveaways and healthy snacks available. Participants include Single Stop, Hispanic AIDS Forum, Morris Heights Health Center, Mt. Sinai Medical Center, and the Young Men's Health Clinic.

**Gasland Screening**

Join NYPIRG for a screening of the documentary *Gasland*, and learn about the dangers of hydrofracking, a new form of natural gas drilling that contaminates drinking water and threatens NYC’s Upstate watershed. Thursday, November 3, at 12 p.m., in Colston Hall, room 715. The screening will be followed by an open discussion and a letter writing drive to tell elected officials not to bring hydrofracking to New York State.

**This Week at BCC**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2011**

1. Halloween
   2:15 - 3:30 p.m., LH, PCR

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2011**

1. President’s Cabinet Meeting
   10 a.m. - 12 p.m., LH, President’s Office
2. Committee on Instruction & Professional Development (CIPD)
   4 - 5:30 p.m., LH, PCR
3. BCC Men’s Basketball Team vs. Westchester C.C.
   7 - 9 p.m., Away Game

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2011**

1. College Personnel & Budget (P&B) Committee Meeting
   9 a.m. - 2 p.m., LH, PCR
2. CTE Workshop, “Strengthening Resiliency...Male Students”
   12 - 2 p.m., CTE, PH, B02
3. Campus Ministry - Hour of Prayer
   1:15 - 2:15 p.m., LO, 422

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011**

1. Alcohol and Drug Screening
   10 a.m. - 3 p.m., ME, Lobby
2. Campus Ministry - Bible Study
   12 - 1 p.m., LO, 422
3. BMI/SLASE Workshop: Resume Bootcamp
   12 - 1:15 p.m., LO, 114
4. CTE Learning Community Meeting, “The Future of eBooks”
   12 - 1 p.m., CTE, PH, B02
5. College Senate
   12:15 - 1:45 p.m., ME, 228
6. Campus Ministry - Bible Study
   12 - 1 p.m., LO, 422

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2011**

1. New Faculty Seminar
   10 a.m. - 3 p.m., CTE, PH, B02
2. SGA Meeting
   4 - 6 p.m., LO, 200
3. BCC Men’s Basketball Team vs. Bergen C.C.
   7 - 9 p.m., Away Game

**Quote of the Week**

“When a man is wrapped up in himself he makes a pretty small package.” - John Ruskin, Prominent Social Thinker and Philanthropist.