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Read the full story here.

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The Center for Performing Arts Announces 17 – 18 Season

Get ready for a stimulating year of cultural engagement with the Center for Performing Arts. Upcoming shows and events include Sarah Saltwick’s theatrical adaptation of Nathaniel Hawthorne’s The Scarlet Letter, a dynamic Stomping Grounds Dance Festival, and a production of Ntozake Shange’s award-winning play for colored girls who have considered suicide/when the rainbow is enuf. The CPA also celebrates the holiday season with Salt Creek Ballet’s The Nutcracker, and recognizes the upcoming 50th anniversary of GSU with 50 Years of Wonder: A Tribute to Stevie Wonder by America’s Got Talent finalists, Sons of Serendip.

Season tickets for the Center of Performing Arts’ upcoming 17 – 18 season will be available to the public July 17, but patrons who wish to purchase tickets for three or more shows may do so beginning July 10. Find out more about the Center’s upcoming programs at CenterTickets.net, visit the Box Office for
student, staff and faculty discounts, or call for information at 708.235.2222. Tickets are $10 for students, $25 for faculty and staff, and 15% off for groups of 10 or more and patrons who purchase 3+ shows.

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Announcements and Events

On-campus Documentary Viewing Party

Come to a special screening of GSU alumna Dr. Shaniqua Jones' documentary “Purple Path: A glimpse in the life of Shaniqua Jones.” Light refreshments will be served and, following the screening, Dr. Jones will sign copies of her book 12: A Memoir of My Younger Self. The documentary viewing party and book signing, co-sponsored by the Alumni Association and the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, will take place Tuesday, June 6 from 6 – 8 p.m. in F1622.

Yoga in the Park
Are you looking for a twist on your fitness routine? Practice your poses among sculptural giants outside in the prairie as you roll out your yoga mat, and connect with the beauty of art and nature. Classes take place in the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park at 10 a.m. on the upcoming Saturdays: June 10, 17, 24, and July 1. The 4-week boot camp is $50. Drop-in class fee is $15 per class. To register, email Gina Ragland or call 708.235.7559.

**Moving from surviving to thriving: Supporting our Students**

Alarming rates of homelessness and housing insecurity are observed nationally. FAFSA applications reveal that 58,000 college students report being homeless, and in a 2016 study, 48 percent of responding college students reported food insecurity in the previous 30 days. How have the students of GSU been impacted by these staggering statistics?

Join the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management on Tuesday, June 6 from 1 – 5 p.m. in the E-Lounge for “Addressing Hunger and Housing Insecurity,” a professional development program focused on raising awareness and providing resources that will support our students in their time of need.

All are invited to attend: please RSVP here.

**Pet-Palooza**

Calling all pet lovers! Volunteers are needed for Pet-Palooza, a Pet Fair and Parade benefitting Orland Township’s Pet Food Pantry which is in need of food and supplies. Bring your well-mannered and leashed pets for fun and games at the Orland Township Grounds on Saturday, June 17 from 12 – 3 p.m.

Ways you can help:
- Volunteer to set-up/breakdown the event
- Contribute your musical, artistic, and animal training talents
- Help obtain donations from vendors such as pet stores, grocery stores, veterinarians, and restaurants
- Ask vendors to purchase a table at Pet-Palooza
- Donate a five-pound bag of dog-food or make a cash donation to the pantry

GSU’s Student Education Association (SEA) will be selling doggie treats as a fundraiser. For more information, contact student organizers Gwen Medrano, Samantha Allen, or faculty advisor Dr. Katy E. Hisrich.

**STEAM Camp at GSU**
Science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics: these concepts are the foundation of modern education, and they're all a part of summer learning at GSU. Registration is currently open for STEAM Camp where students, ages 11 to 16, will take part in activities in the visual and performing arts, chemistry, engineering, mathematics, physics, and robotics.

There are two sessions: **July 17 – 21** and **July 24 – 28**, both from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., for middle and high school students. Registration is $200 per session, per camper. STEAM Camp Plus activities are also available from 3 – 5 p.m. Monday to Thursday for an additional fee of $60 per session, per camper.

To register, click [here](#).

### Undergraduate Open House This Summer

Here's your chance to show off GSU to friends and family interested in enrolling in one of our outstanding undergraduate programs. All are invited to GSU's Undergraduate Open House on Saturday, July 15 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Tour the state-of-the-art housing at Prairie Place, meet leading professors, and enjoy music and refreshments. To register, click [here](#).

### Highlights

**Following the GSU Honors Program through Italy**
This summer, the GSU Honors Program is making the most of experiential learning opportunities during their first seminar in Rome. In Rome, students and faculty members celebrated Republic Day (like America’s Independence Day), while others took a trip to Greece to view the Aegean Sea. Also on this week's itinerary were a trip to the Vatican and tours through Florence and Tuscany.

Follow the Honors students on their European adventure through June 10 on the GSU Honors Study Abroad Facebook page.

**Diversity – A Core Value of GSU**

Diversity and inclusion were a common thread woven through the speeches and conversations of Commencement 2017. To view a video compilation of the powerful message, click [here](#).

Workshops & Trainings
Check out the Library's workshop offerings, as well as the next Office of Marketing and Communications Brown Bag Lunch and WorkZone training. For the complete list of options, click [here](#).

Faculty: If you have not already done so, it's time to have a new headshot photograph taken. Please refer to the [schedule](#) to find a convenient time.

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**Do you have a story or event you want to submit for the GSU View?**

[Click here to learn about our submission guidelines](#).
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The award recognizes student-athletes who are juniors or above in academic standing and own a cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 or higher (as of the 2016 fall term). They also must have attended two full years at their respective institution or a full year as a transfer. A total of 174 golf student-athletes were recognized by the NAIA.

“This is a tremendous honor for our golf program — Ava, Hollie and Megan are very deserving of this award”, said GSU Head Coach Mark Haines. “I'm really proud of the job our ladies have done in the classroom this year and the improvement we have seen on the course as well.”

In two seasons of intercollegiate competition, six GSU student-athletes have earned NAIA Scholar-Athlete honors: women's basketball player Kanitral Averhart (twice), volleyball players Savik Salgado and Hayley Wacker along with Campbell, Kirn and Marciniak.
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Zach Shortley exhibits his photography, created using Photoshop, DSLR, and Cinema 4D. Jason Blohm, who has been accepted for SIU’s Master’s program in ceramics, displays porcelain works from his collection Teapots. Dan Wronski’s baseball-inspired oil paintings were created using technique mixté, an old master’s technique, that he learned under Professor Javier Chavira.

The installation continues the university’s commitment to creating an environment for living and learning in the arts.
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Nearing used student producers as well as a mostly-student crew during the filming of *Hogtown*. Like most of his feature work, the film was shot in predominantly black and white. Set against the backdrop of the Chicago race riots in 1919, it presents connected vignettes that tell a story of mystery and marginalized people during a tumultuous period in the city’s history.

Marty Rubin, associate director of programming at the Gene Siskel Film Center, called *Hogtown* “a multilayered, multicultural tapestry of a city and a century...epic in its scope and ravishingly photographed, designed, and scored...” The New York Times said the film “plays like a find from a forgotten archive.”

Tickets to the viewing as well as a 7:30 p.m. pre-show reception and Q&A with Prof. Nearing can be purchased online (https://www.eventbrite.com/e/15th-annual-adiff-chicago-june-9-to-15-2017-tickets-34631354313).