News

Spring 2016 Welcome Week Events

Spring Welcome Week activities help kickoff each semester, offering students the chance to get to know the university and each other. Make plans to participate in one of the scheduled events!

Wednesday, January 20 — Obstacle Course. Test your physical skills in a fun obstacle course and participate in a variety of games and activities for FREE prizes.

Thursday, January 21 — Club and Organization Fair. Learn valuable information about the registered GSU Student Clubs and Organizations. 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Hall of Governors.

Attend the Annual MLK Celebration

Our guest speaker is community leader and entrepreneur, William Hightower.

GSU celebrates the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, Monday, January 25 at 10 a.m., Center for Performing Arts. This year's guest speaker is community leader and entrepreneur, William Hightower.

Audition for "Eurydice"

Auditions for the Theater and Performance Studies (TAPS) spring performance will be held Thursday, January 28 from 7 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, January 30 from 1 to 4 p.m. in Sherman Hall. Sign up for an audition slot or contact guest director Lydia Milman Schmidt at lydia.milman.schmidt@gmail.com for more information.

GSU Follet Bookstore Price Match Program

The GSU Bookstore will price match against Amazon, Chegg, and Barnes & Noble this semester. For
details about the new program, please go to the GSU Bookstore page: www.govst.edu/bookstore or click here to find out how the Price Match Program works.

**FA Link Allows Bookstore Purchases and Rentals with Financial Aid**

Making purchases at the GSU bookstore is easier than it's ever been with **FA Link**. Students, you can use your GSU ID to purchase school supplies, text books, and more!

FA Link will be available prior to the first financial aid disbursement of each semester. You will be able to purchase or rent books using FA Link during the following time periods:

- **Spring 2016**—Through February 6, 2016
- **Summer 2016**—April 30, 2016 – June 4, 2016

**Hoverboards Banned from GSU Campus**

There have been several reports in the news citing serious safety concerns across the United States involving self-balancing personal scooters, or "hoverboards." At this time, the Consumer Product Safety Commission is investigating ten of these cases. While they have yet to issue any formal report and recommendation, most major airlines have banned them from airplanes and many higher education institutions across the country have banned these devices from use on campus and or inside residence halls.

In light of the potential fire hazard issues with hoverboards, the university has made a decision to immediately BAN them from the GSU campus until they are deemed to no longer pose a fire/safety hazard.

Please take note – hoverboards will not be allowed in any on campus location. If a hoverboard is found, it will be confiscated.

**Submit your program ideas today for Sexual Assault Awareness Month**

Sexual Assault Awareness Month is April 2016, but ideas for programs are now being accepted. The 2016 theme is "Prevention Is Possible." Please submit your program idea soon. The deadline for submission is Friday, January 29. For more information, please contact Kelly McCarthy at or call x3966.

**Manhood MONDAYS**

Join us for Manhood Mondays beginning Monday, February 1 at 3:30 p.m. in Engbretson Hall. Manhood Mondays is the weekly meeting for the Male Success Initiative (MSI) where participants create a game plan for their success through academic, cultural, and social programming. MSI is an intergenerational program designed to increase the retention and graduation rates of male students, particularly men of color, regardless of entry point at GSU. For more information, call x4551 or email msi@govst.edu.

**Black History Month**

GSU celebrates diversity with our observance of history and heritage months. Please visit www.govst.edu/diversity for a listing of the 2016 Black History Month events in February. For more information, email diversity@govst.edu or call x4551.

**Nominate a Black Woman who Rocks!**

On Saturday, February 27, Governors State University Presents: The 4th Annual Black Women Rock
Awards Ceremony (BWR) celebrating the outstanding achievements of black female students, faculty, and staff at GSU. Inspired by BET's Black Girls Rock, BWR aims to empower women to pursue their personal aspirations, encourage women to support others who are making positive strides, and enlighten women on tools for success. We invite you to submit a nomination for the 4th Annual Black Women Rock Awards. The deadline for nominations is Friday, January 29, 2016. For more information or inquiries, please call x4551 or email.

"Seasons of Song" and "Ain't Misbehavin' at CPA

"Seasons of Song" features the music of Carlisle Floyd, George Gershwin, Samuel Barber, Franz Schubert, Stephen Sondheim, Oscar Hammerstein, and many others.

The Center for Performing Arts presents its "Opera Up Close" series, Sunday, January 24 at 4 p.m. "Seasons of Song" features the music of Carlisle Floyd, George Gershwin, Samuel Barber, Franz Schubert, Stephen Sondheim, Oscar Hammerstein, and many others. The event brings local artists from the Lyric Opera to the Southland for intimate performances where patrons are seated on the stage in the midst of the action.

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Tickets are $13 for GSU Students and $23 for GSU Faculty and Staff. Discount prices are available at the box office only, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. (open to 6 p.m. on Thursdays) and two hours prior to all performances.

Is Your Contact Information Up to Date?

It's critical that your contact information is up to date so we can keep you informed in case of events or changes that happen on campus. Please make sure that GSU has your current contact information.

If you are a student: Please complete a Change of Student Information form and submit it to the Registrar's Office. You may submit the completed form including a copy of your picture ID via fax to the Registrar's Office at 708.534.1640 or you may drop it off in person at C-1300. If you have any questions, please contact the Registrar's Office at 708.534.4500 or by email at Regoffice@govst.edu.

If you are a faculty or staff member: Please complete a Name/Address/Phone Change form and submit it to Human Resources. You may submit the completed form to the Human Resources Department, C-1360, or via email. If you have any questions, please contact Human Resources at 708.534.4100.

Do you have a story or event you want to submit for the GSU View? Click here to learn about our submission guidelines.