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Visit of Kyoto Koka University dignitaries; *Noh* performance



Chairman Abe with President Timmons Noh performers in Shu-Box Theatre

Last week's *Bulletin* noted that the Department of **International Languages** recently facilitated a visit to our University by representatives of Kyoto Koka Women's University. During the visit, a memorandum of agreement was signed by President Timmons and Toshiyuki Abe, Chairman of Kyoto Koka's board of trustees. On 4 and 5 October, in connection with the visit and with the support of the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Fine Arts, the Japan Foundation, and the Consulate General of Japan, two performances of "Noh," the ancient art of Japanese sung theater, were held in the Shu-Box Theatre with an overflowing crowd each day. Our thanks to Professor Morigiwa of Kyoto Koka Women's University for permission to reproduce the two photographs above.

Arts Together on the Green



Though the weather at lunchtime on Wednesday 15 October was chilly enough (2 degrees above zero) to keep us inside, approximately 250 students, staff, faculty members, and supporters of the Faculty of Arts gathered to celebrate our contribution to the week of *Greater Together With the Community* events initiated by President Timmons. Numerous people had a chance to exchange a few words with our new President, and the crowd was treated to music by Arts alumnus **Todd Bryanton** (*top photo, middle*) and his band Chemical Horizon. In an academic version of “Survivor,” colleagues **Rozzet Jurdi** (SOC/SOST), **Carlos Londoño Sulkin** (ANTH), and **Laurie Sykes Tottenham** (PSYC) vied for the support of the crowd by making the best possible case for their discipline, and asking not to be tossed off the “raft.” In the end, with an exuberant round of shouts and applause from supporters (*bottom photo*), Dr Sykes Tottenham emerged as victor. Our thanks to Arts student **Karlen Herauf**, members of the Faculty’s Community Outreach Committee, and project officer **Milagros Charriez** for the fine work they did to organize this event. The Faculty of Arts also wishes to thank facilities staff in the Faculty of

Kinesiology and Health Studies; AV Services photographer Rae Holtsbaum; Thomas Rush and Aramark Food Services; and Pat Patton and Campus Security staff.

Arts Together on the Green concluded with a poem written and read for the occasion by **Dr Kathleen Wall**, professor of English. Kathleen’s poetry has been published in *Antigonish Review*, *Queen’s Quarterly*, *The Fiddlehead*, *Canadian Literature*, and elsewhere. Her collection *Time’s Body* won a major award in the Saskatchewan Writers Guild’s 1995 literary awards competition. According to Dr Wall, “writing a poem for an occasion, a poem that’s understood on a single reading, yet one that still encourages people to see something new in the subject, is a bit of a challenge. In part, I turned to the occasion to solve the challenge. Written for President Timmons’s first meeting with the Faculty of Arts as a collective, the poem uses her background – growing up in a Newfoundland mining community – as a metaphor for the exploring that we do in our scholarship.” The poem, “Lives and Minds,” appears on the next page.



PSCI to sponsor panel discussion about US election on Monday 27 October

On Monday 27 October at 1:30 in LI 215, the Department of Political Science presents a public forum on the topic “Obama versus McCain: What the U.S. Election Means.” A panel of political scientists including **Dr Shadia Drury** (PHIL/PSCI), **Dr Martin Hewson** (PSCI), **Dr Ken Rasmussen** (JSGSPP), **Dr Ann Ward** (PSCI/Campion), and **Dr Lee Ward** (PSCI/Campion) will discuss the upcoming American election.



Lives and Minds

Kathleen Wall

In May, you scatter like seeds the wind has blown onto concrete laneways, tumbling back to the prairie to join families and the natural round (so unlike the artificial light of all-nighters)
or radiating like jacks thrown against Tyndall stone walls,
jostled into glass jobs with unfamiliar uniforms, (no jeans?) constraining eyes,
strangers who distrust or ask too much.

When you think of us at all, you imagine us in miner's helmets, with their insufficient light, twisting and turning in tight tunnels with dead ends.

Digging to China.

Digging through old books, tedious data, experiment results,
last year's rough drafts which hardly accommodated thought—so much more grandiose and fragmented even than your own. Or you fancy us, the professors who didn't quite get what you were saying,
diving like loons to the bottom of Wascana Lake and bringing up
a handful of mud. Poetic justice—something we tried to teach you about politics and novels, but that you learned in grade four when the school-yard bully broke his nose chasing girls on a merry-go-round.

And we do dig to China, dig through archives and stars and words and cells,
through thoughts whose shape nearly eludes us
splayed against the dark and dripping walls of coal and potash.
Our miner's helmet shows only the edge, the intuition of a shadow
but we keep digging in that general direction, hoping
the shadow isn't easily dislodged by our clumsy tools. And then our pick-axe
caves through something a little less solid, our muscles sigh with relief. What you cannot imagine is the sudden light. A spectrum never seen before, a little redder—
or is it golden?—perhaps there is no name for the colour of light
no one has ever seen.

In those mazy caves, digging to China, we turn the meagre light of our miner's helmets on terrorism, traffic congestion, prairie shelterbelts, trying to understand how daily life works, how we navigate the intricacies of survival and work and love. We tell over the stories—yours and ours—of how we strive to find our best selves, and fail and strive again; stories that let us stand with compassion among those who like us have failed.

The battery on our helmet ebbs; we know it is September. Kindling a single lantern with a spark of that unseen light,
our feet scuffle through leaves blown down into the mine's entryway.
Lighthearted as children, we find you in lecture halls and seminar rooms,
gently place the lantern on the lectern,
smile as we watch this new light root and bloom in you.

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## News of faculty, staff, students, and alumni

On 16 September, **Dr Darlene Juschka (WMST/RLST)** was Regina Women's Communities Centre and Sexual Assault Line Board representative to the CBO (Canadian Based Organizations) Summit hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan ... Dr Juschka has also been appointed section co-chair of the International Association for the History of Religions Congress planned for August 2010 in Toronto ... from 15 to 18 October in Santa Rosa, CA, **Dr William Arnal (RLST)** will chair a session at the Westar Institute seminar on Christian origins ... on 16 October **Dr Roger Petry (Luther/PHIL)** gave a public presentation entitled "The Canadian Wheat Board and Transitioning to Regional Food Production Systems" at the World Food Day Forum held at Luther College ...

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## Performance review – joint URFA/University session on 21 October

The University of Regina Faculty Association and the Human Resources Department will conduct a joint information session on the performance review process for academic staff members on **Tuesday 21 October** at 1:00 p.m. It will take place in Education Building Room 514 and should be completed no later than 3:30 p.m.

Individuals being reviewed for the first time, or who are conducting an initial review for the first time, or who are participating on a performance review committee for the first time are strongly encouraged to attend one of the sessions. They are also an excellent refresher for individuals who have participated in the process in the past.

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## Public reading of *Paradise Lost* on 14 November

Members of the University community – teachers, students, and interested members of the public – are invited to an "epic" reading of John Milton's *Paradise Lost*. The reading begins in the Shu-Box Theatre, Riddell Centre, at 8:30 a.m. sharp on Friday 14 November and will conclude at 8:30 p.m. Each of the 12 books will begin promptly on the half hour. Spectators may come and go throughout the day, but are encouraged to stay for the entire experience. Light refreshments will be available throughout the day, and there will be time between books to pick up something in the Food Court in the Riddell Centre.

For more information, or if you are interested in auditioning for a part, please contact **Dr Jeanne Shami (ENGL)** at 4299, [jeanne.shami@uregina.ca](mailto:jeanne.shami@uregina.ca).



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## Calendar: upcoming events and deadlines

| UR/URFA contract dates are highlighted in yellow        |                 |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| Faculty recruitment cycle dates are highlighted in rose |                 |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Date                                                    | Time            | Place                                    | Event or deadline                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>OCTOBER 2008</b>                                     |                 |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Thursday 23                                             | 7:30            | Chapters<br>Southland Mall               | Coffee House Controversies<br><b>Bernie Thraves (GEOG)</b> on population: does size matter?                                                                                                                                                               |
| Friday 24                                               | 3:30            | AH 348                                   | HIST colloquium -- <b>James Daschuk (KHS)</b> on “What History Can Learn from Science and Vice Versa”                                                                                                                                                     |
| Friday 24                                               | by 4:30         | Dean’s Office                            | Conference Fund applications due in the Dean’s Office                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Monday 27                                               | 1:30            | LI 215                                   | PSCI presents “Obama vs McCain: What the US Election Means” with <b>Shadia Drury (PHIL/PSCI)</b> , <b>Martin Hewson (PSCI)</b> , <b>Ken Rasmussen (JSGSPP)</b> , <b>Ann Ward (Campion)</b> , and <b>Lee Ward (Campion)</b> ( <i>see attached poster</i> ) |
| Wednesday 29                                            | 2:30            | CL 417                                   | Joint meeting of Dean’s Executive Committee and Budget Advisory Committee                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Fri 31                                                  | 2:30            | CL 232                                   | RLST seminars – <b>Darlene Juschka (WMST/RLST)</b> on gender in possession and exorcism                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>NOVEMBER 2008</b>                                    |                 |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Thursday 6                                              | 7:30            | Chapters<br>Southland Mall               | Coffee House Controversies<br><b>Kevin Bond (RLST)</b> on yuppie spirituality                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Friday 7                                                | 3:30            | TBA                                      | ENGL seminar – Andrew Lycett on a practitioner’s guide to biography                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Tuesday 11                                              |                 |                                          | University closed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Wednesday 12 --<br>Friday 14                            |                 | Ramada Hotel<br>and Convention<br>Centre | CPHR and SPHERU Conference: <b>New Directions in Population Health Research</b> (with André Picard, Carolyn Bennett, Ron Labonte) – details at <a href="http://www.cntgrp.ca">www.cntgrp.ca</a>                                                           |
| Friday 14                                               | 8:30 --<br>8:30 | Shu-Box Theatre<br>Riddell Centre        | Public reading of <i>Paradise Lost</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Wednesday 19                                            | 2:30            | CL 128                                   | Faculty Council meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Fri 21                                                  | 3:30            | AH 348                                   | HIST colloquium – <b>Heather Meek (ENGL)</b> on “Wandering Wombs and Wrongs of Women: Hysteria in the Age of Reason”                                                                                                                                      |
| Thursday 20                                             | 7:30            | Chapters<br>Southland Mall               | Coffee House Controversies -- <b>Brenda Anderson (Luther/RLST)</b> on Muslim-Christian feminist dialogue                                                                                                                                                  |
| Friday 28                                               | 3:30            | AH 348                                   | ENGL seminar – <b>Heather Saylor</b> (MA candidate) on children and childhood in Chartist poetry                                                                                                                                                          |
| Friday 28                                               | by<br>4:30      | Dean’s Office                            | Deadline for receipt of applications and supporting materials from candidates for academic positions in the Faculty                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>DECEMBER 2008</b>                                    |                 |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| by<br>Monday 1                                          |                 | Dean’s Office                            | Applications for promotion or tenure, including complete packages (7 copies) of materials and names/addresses of external referees, are due in the Dean’s Office. See Appendix H of the <i>Coll. Agreement</i> .                                          |
| Monday 1                                                | 3:30            | AH 348                                   | PSYC clinical colloquium – Ken Craig (UBC, emeritus) on “Psychology and Pain”                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Tuesday 2                                               |                 | Associate Dean<br>(Undergrad’s) Office   | The Associate Dean will review Winter semester courses (especially those scheduled to be taught by sessionals) for low enrolments and begin contacting Department and program heads as required.                                                          |
| Wednesday 3                                             | 2:30            | CL 427                                   | Dean’s Executive Committee meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| Thursday 4                  |      |                                                                | Last day of classes for the Fall 2008 term                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Monday 8                    |      |                                                                | First day of final examinations for the Fall 2008 term                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Week of Monday 8            |      | Departments                                                    | Recruitment committees meet to review applications for academic positions, verify publications, and develop shortlists                                                                                                                                                |
| by Monday 15                |      | Dean's Office                                                  | Annual Information forms, with complete supporting materials, are due in the Dean's Office from members with pre-tenure appointments (exception: those people newly appointed in 2008). See Appendix H of the <i>Collective Agreement</i> .                           |
| by Wednesday 17             |      | Dean's Office                                                  | Recruitment committee chairs recommend shortlisted candidates to Dean for campus visits and interviews                                                                                                                                                                |
| Wednesday 17                | 2:30 | NR 210.7                                                       | Dean's Executive Committee meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Wednesday 17                |      |                                                                | Grades due for any courses without a scheduled final exam                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| by Friday 19                | 4:30 | Dean's Office                                                  | Dean approves academic candidates' campus visits and interviews; recruitment committee chairs begin contacting candidates                                                                                                                                             |
| Saturday 20                 |      |                                                                | Final examinations end; last day of the Fall 2008 term                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Thursday 25 -- Wednesday 31 |      |                                                                | University closed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>JANUARY 2009</b>         |      |                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Thursday 1                  |      |                                                                | University closed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Monday 5                    |      |                                                                | Classes begin in the January 2009 term                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Monday 12 -- Friday 23rd    |      | Departments, Dean's Office, Vice-President (Academic)'s Office | Campus visits, tours, and interviews for candidates for academic positions; candidates meet with Dean or designate; candidates meet with Vice-President (Academic) or designate                                                                                       |
| Wednesday 14                | 2:30 | CL 427                                                         | Dean's Executive Committee meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Friday 16                   | 2:30 | CL 232                                                         | RLST seminars – <b>Ben Fiore (RLST/Campion)</b> on the pastoral epistles                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Wednesday 21                | 2:30 |                                                                | Faculty Council Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>FEBRUARY 2009</b>        |      |                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| by Monday 2                 |      | Dean's Office                                                  | Annual Information forms, with complete supporting materials, are due in the Dean's Office from all tenured members undergoing performance review (exception: those seeking promotion – see 1 December deadline). See Appendix H of the <i>Collective Agreement</i> . |
| by Friday 6 or earlier      |      | Departments                                                    | Recruitment committee chairs conduct final reference checks of candidates and recommend preferred candidate to Dean                                                                                                                                                   |
| Monday 9 -- Wednesday 11    |      | Dean's Office                                                  | Dean discusses preferred candidates with Vice-President (Academic)                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Wednesday 11                | 2:30 | NR 210.7                                                       | Dean's Executive Committee meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Wednesday 11 -- Friday 13   |      | Dean's Office                                                  | Dean contacts preferred candidates                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| by Friday 13                |      | Departments                                                    | Recruitment committee chairs prepare Recruitment Report                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Monday 16                   |      |                                                                | University closed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Tuesday 17 – Friday 20      |      |                                                                | Alternative Reading Week <i>details to follow</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Tuesday 17 – Friday 20      |      | Dean's Office                                                  | Dean's Office prepares files for President's Advisory Group on Faculty Appointments                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Friday 27                   | 2:30 | CL 232                                                         | RLST seminars – <b>Volker Griefenhagen (RLST/Luther)</b> on real Islam                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>MARCH 2009</b>           |      |                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Wednesday 11                | 2:30 | CL 427                                                         | Dean's Executive Committee meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Wednesday 18                | 2:30 |                                                                | Faculty Council meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

| APRIL 2009   |      |          |                                    |
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| Wednesday 8  | 2:30 | NR 210.7 | Dean's Executive Committee meeting |
| Thursday 9   |      |          | Classes end                        |
| Wednesday 15 |      |          | Examinations begin                 |
| Wednesday 28 |      |          | Examinations end                   |
|              |      |          |                                    |

A report on the October meeting of Senate and the Fall Convocation  
will appear in the 28 October issue

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*Deadline for submission of material for next issue: **Friday 24 October at 12 noon***