**What's Your Jam?**

By Kristin Vilbig, Art Professor

Wassily Kandinsky, Composition VII, 1913, Oil on canvas, 200 x 300 cm, The State Tretyakov Gallery, Moscow

The Grayson College 2nd Floor Gallery has an exciting list of exhibits for this fall semester. The first show, “That’s My Jam,” will focus on the relationship between music and the arts. Throughout art history there are numerous examples of artists being inspired by music with vastly different visual results ranging from Kandinsky’s wild lines and splashes of color to the more geometric forms of Mondrian’s jazz inspired series of primary colors. Sometimes the reverse is also true; musicians have been inspired by art to compose music. This exhibition is asking artists to continue that creative dialogue and create original works about or inspired by music.

FREE LUNCH!

By Bernie Gallagher, BSM Director

All GC students and staff are invited to our Welcome Back to School Luncheon sponsored by the Baptist Student Ministry. This “come and go” event will take place Wednesday, August 22nd, from 12:00 noon until 1:00 pm and will be held in the BSMB building next to the gym on the main campus. Free hotdogs and fries provided.

PEP, PEY, HURRAY!

By Andrew Wright, BSM Director

With basketball returning to Grayson College this year the need for a pep band to support our wonderful athletics begins. This fall, the newly formed Viking Pep Band will be appearing at each man’s and women’s home basketball game. Dr. Andy Wright joins the college as director of the band as we work diligently to grow this ensemble from its provided. The main goal of our pep band is to bring spirited entertainment to each home basketball game and support our amazing athletes and athletic staff. If you have played an instrument, any instrument, in the past and want to play some great music, be ready... Watch exciting basketball games, and a charter membership of this new band, please contact Andy Wright at (903) 415-2677 or wrigh-t@grayson.edu.

** Clubs & Orgs **

** Bacter Student Ministries **

Wednesdays, 11:30-12:15 p.m.

BSM building

** Chap Club **

Tuesdays

Thursdays, 12 - 1 p.m.

LEA CTC Room 117

**Cosmology Club **

Mondays bi-weekly

9:00 - 9:45 p.m. CTV

** Cultural Diversity Club **

Lunch Wednesdays

1 - 2 p.m., Art Student Office

** DAAG **

Tuesdays, 12:45 p.m., HS 202

** Delta Phi Delta (Art) **

First Tuesdays, 12:15 - 1 p.m.

Design Room, Arts & Communications

** Dental Assisting Clubs **

Wednesdays, 11:30 - 12 p.m.

HS 205

** Electric Technology Club **

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Contact Aimee Flynn 903-415-3664

*Era Sigma Delta **

First Fridays, 2:30 p.m.

Culinary Arts Building

** Future Educators **

Every other Tuesday

12:20 - 12:50 p.m., CS 208

** Games Guild **

First Thursdays, 4:00 p.m.

LeMieux Library, Arts & Communications

** Grayson Nursing Student Association **

Wednesday or Friday

Dining Room, Life Center

** HALO (Hispanic- American Leadership Organization) **

Second and Fourth Tuesdays

12:20 - 12:50 p.m., LA 108

** History Club **

Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m.

LA 307, Liberal Arts

** Honors College Club **

First Thursdays and Fridays

12:15 - 1 p.m., Viking Room, Life Center

** HVAC Club **

First Fridays, 3:30 p.m.

CTC Room 117

** LEA (Criminal Justice) **

Wednesday

12:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Location TBA

Men of Distinction

First Thursdays

* Every other Thursday

CFL Seminar Room A

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Please recycle this paper!
The arts department is participating in the Dia de Muertos parade for the festival. Using papier mache, the Advanced Design students will construct larger-than-life-sized puppets that students can operate. These puppets will be judged in competition for the winners. If you would like to get involved with the arts on campus, contact Professor Lavada Burse, Omicron Psi Chapter President.
JOIN STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES NOW!

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- First-generation college student
- Low-income student
- Students with disabilities

Get Connected

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**VETERAN SERVICES PROVIDERS ENRICHED BY NCTC SYMPOSIUM**

By Tommy Ellis, Veteran Project Coordinator

Staff from the Center of Excellence for Veteran Student Success at Grayson College met recently with representatives from twelve other colleges and organizations at the Gainesville campus of North Central Texas College for the 2018 Veteran Services Providers Symposium.

The thirty-one participants gathered to expand their knowledge base of student veterans and how to better serve them at today’s colleges and universities. This year’s symposium was an interactive session of the all-day symposium that originated at Grayson College with representatives from twelve colleges and organizations with attendees.

The value of this type of educational symposium is evidenced by the fact that participants and hosts are already anticipating the next event during the summer of 2019. When this symposium was simply an idea at Grayson College, it was believed to be of such importance that once started, it would grow and continue on for years into the future. All student veterans, regardless of where they attend classes, will be the beneficiaries of their service providers’ attending the specialized symposiums that originated at Grayson College.

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**ADVISORY COMMITTEES WRAP UP 3 YEARS OF SERVICE**

By Tommy Ellis, Veteran Project Coordinator

Two advisory committees dedicated to improving services for Grayson College student veterans met for their final meeting during the summer on July 19 in the Viking Room.

The Veterans Advisory Council (VAC) and the Veteran Students Support Team (VYST) were both established in accordance with the Department of Education grant that established the Center of Excellence for Veteran Students Success.

Both committees met eleven times separately over the last three years, but the 12th and final meeting was a special combined meeting of the two bodies. This meeting allowed members a rare opportunity to learn more about the other committee while meeting their counterparts, some for the first time.

Both committees have been focused on the success of today’s student veterans to insure their needs are met while at Grayson and that they are prepared for a successful life beyond Grayson College. A special and enjoyable highlight of this meeting was a PowerPoint video of the various activities of the Veteran Services Office over the past three years. In addition, members were recognized for their service and commitment by being presented special commemorative “MISSION ACCOMPLISHED” challenge coins.

The recognition coins were designed to celebrate various successes of student veterans but was expanded to honor culminate the accomplishments of others working in various capacities that benefit Grayson College student veterans. Because of his numerous contributions to student veterans at Grayson College, combined with his faithful service and committee attendance, Rear Admiral William “Bill” Retz, USN (Ret) was also presented an additional special award, the “Compass Rose.”

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**VETERAN FRIEND REQUEST**

The Center for Excellence for Veteran Students Success aims to provide GC student veterans with a path to dealing with personal issues that may interfere with their academic pursuits and success at Grayson College.

Mr. Wade has an extensive and distinguished background in chaplain duties in many parts of the country and currently serves as chaplain at a local hospital as well. At Grayson, he will be present at the Student Veterans Association (SVA) meetings to greet all student veterans and to insure they know that he is available for them. The SVA meets twice per month (1st and 3rd Wednesdays) at noon in the Veteran’s Hub, located on the 2nd Floor of the Life Center, next door to the Veteran Services Office.

All student veterans and military dependents are invited to join the SVA and participate in the only club on campus “just for veterans.” Stop by and meet Mr. Wade at one of the upcoming club meetings and enjoy a quick lunch with other student veterans at the same time.

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**Military Ball**

Saturday, September 15, 2018

Opening Ceremony: Thursday, September 27, 2018, 10 a.m., Cruse Stark Auditorium

Memorial Exhibit: Baptist Student Ministry

Opening Ceremony: Thursday, September 27 open till 7 p.m.

Friday, September 28, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday, September 29, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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