

English Department Newsletter

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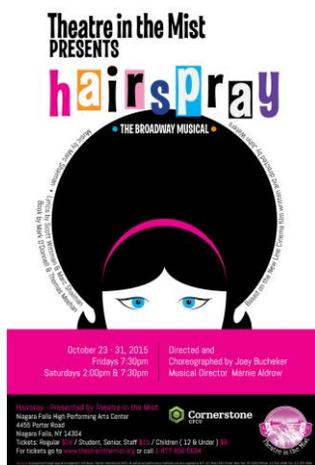
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DEPARTMENT AND FACULTY NEWS

ED TAYLOR's flash CNF piece "Trash Fish" and his short story "Rejected Address" will appear in *Stone Canoe* issue 10 in 2016.



SÁRA KOVÁCSI stars as Tracy Turnblad in Theatre in the Mist's production of the musical *Hairspray*, which runs October 23-31. Visit www.theatreinthemist.org for ticket information.

Opera-Lytes presents *Opera on Broadway* at the Riviera Theatre on Friday, October 16. LISA BERGLUND has a couple of solos, and she also wrote the narration that accompanies this semi-staged concert. For tickets, visit www.rivieratheatre.org. The concert will be repeated Saturday, October 17, at Clarence Presbyterian Church.

On June 18 at the 13th International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities at the University of British Columbia, HEIDI DIETZ FALETTI read a paper entitled "Astral and Terrestrial Visions in Manoel de Oliveira's *The Strange Case of Angelica*."

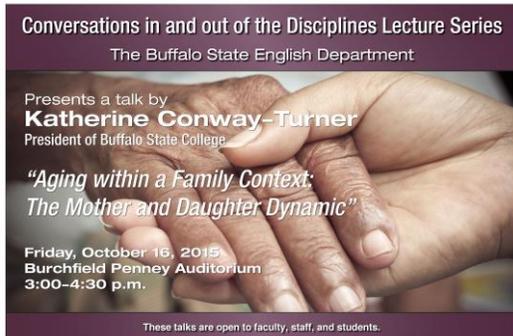
UPCOMING EVENTS

MacArthur "Genius" Grant Recipient and Pulitzer Prize Nominee Karen Russell, author of a novel and two short-story collections, launches the [SUNY Geneseo Literary Forum](#) with a reading and book signing at 6pm **TONIGHT**, October 14 in the MacVittie College Union Ballroom. Free and open to the public; books for sale and a reception to follow the reading.

Poets Joan Murray and Janet McNally will read from their work at the Burchfield Penney Art Center on Sunday, October 25 at 2 pm. This reading is supported by the

David and Ruth Lampe Endowment. The event is free and open to the public. For information, visit the [BPAC website](#).

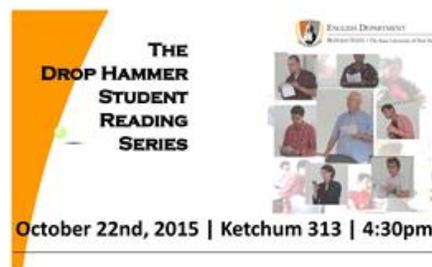
On October 16, as part of the Conversations in and out of the Disciplines Lecture series, **PRESIDENT KATHERINE CONWAY-TURNER** will speak on “Aging within a Family Context: The Mother and Daughter Dynamic” (in the Auditorium of the Burchfield-Penney). Check out [the Daily’s article about Conversations](#), which copiously quotes program founder **ANN COLLEY**.



Mark your calendars for upcoming talks: on November 6, **KELLY FROTHINGHAM** of the Geography and Planning Department will speak on “Stream Restoration: Local

WNY Activity in the Context of National Trends”; and on December 4, the Music Department’s **CHUCK MANCUSO** will discuss “The Last Great Days of the Buffalo Jazz Club Scene.” All presentations are on Fridays at 3 pm and unless stated otherwise, take place in Ketchum Hall 320.

The Drop Hammer Student Reading Series invites you to its second event of the semester on October 22. Special guest **DAVID LAMPE** will open the reading, which also will feature the work of **MARIAH HADDAD, NICOLAS CORREA, TAHMEED AHMED, KIA THOMAS, SHERWIN WILLIAMS, FRANCESCA AUSTIN, and NATHAN STOLTE**.



STUDENT AND ALUMNI NEWS

In a postcard from London, **LAURA WOOD '14** writes, “I finally made it to England and the Globe!”

We continue to feature the achievements of our alumni in our alumni booklet and our Ketchum Hall bulletin board of alumni profiles. If you’d like to share an update on your post-Buffalo State activities, either for the alumni board or for the newsletter, email [MAUREEN LOUGEN](#). Please include your graduation year and degree info, and feel free to include a photograph.

DEADLINES AND OPPORTUNITIES

The **Undergraduate Research Office** is now accepting applications for the fall round of the Small Grants Program and the Undergraduate Travel Program. Links to

online applications can be found on the [Undergraduate Research website](#). Please share this message with interested undergraduates... and why not go on the site to check out the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (applications due in March) and the Faculty Research Grants?

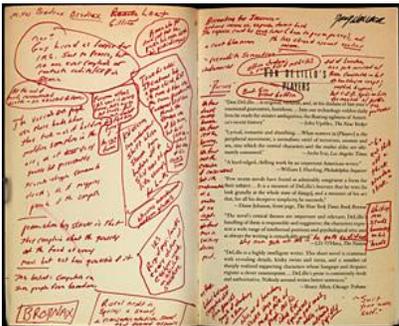


The [Faculty-Student Association](#) (FSA) is **accepting applications for grants** to enhance the educational and cultural life of the Buffalo State campus during the 2016 calendar year. Application forms are available on the [FSA website](#).

REMINDERS

Please pay your Faculty Dues: \$50 for those earning \geq \$60,000; \$45 for those earning $<$ \$60,000; \$5.00 for adjunct faculty. This money allows us to send flowers for condolence or congratulation and enhances the hospitableness of departmental gatherings, without us doing a whip-round for each event. Maureen can accept cash or a check made out to Lisa Berglund. Your dues are tax-deductible if you itemize.

RECOMMENDED READING



Some interesting statistics about **e-books and the durability of print**: *The New York Times* reports that “E-book sales fell by 10 percent in the first five months of this year, according to the Association of American Publishers, which collects data from nearly 1,200 publishers. Digital books accounted last year for around 20 percent of the market, roughly the same as they did a few years ago.” Meanwhile, confirming the heartening evidence that printed books continue to find readers, the American Booksellers Association counted 1,712 member stores in 2,227 locations in 2015, up from 1,410 in 1,660 locations five years ago. Read the full article [here](#). (The illustration, by the way, is from one of David Foster Wallace’s annotated books, in the collection of the University of Texas, Austin.)

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