Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts

H O N O R S D A Y

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2017

NEBRASKA CHAMPIONS CLUB, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA–LINCOLN
Welcome and Introductions • Charles O’Connor
Endowed Dean

STUDENT AWARDS

Dean’s Award for Academic Excellence • Bryce Heesacker
Glenn Korff School of Music
Given to the student who has achieved the highest cumulative grade point average of all graduating seniors in the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts.

John Kosch
Glenn Korff School of Music
Julia Warrick
Glenn Korff School of Music

College Alumni Board’s Undergraduate Student Leadership Award • Desiree Bartels
Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film
Given to students who have proven to be leaders through their scholarship, talents, service and dedication.

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award • Louise Deroualle
School of Art, Art History & Design
Honors the work of a graduate teaching assistant who has demonstrated true excellence in teaching.

F. Pace Woods Scholarships • Megan Rhoades
School of Art, Art History & Design
A College-wide award given to students who have demonstrated academic and creative/scholarly excellence.

Emily Freeman
Glenn Korff School of Music
Candace Nelson
Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film
Anne and William (Laurie) Porter Awards for Creativity
Given to students who have demonstrated the highest level of achievement and excellence in theatre, film and dance.

- Kaitlyn Peterson
  Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film Undergraduate Student

- Sheric Wayne Hull
  Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film Graduate Student

- Alexis Spurgin
  Glenn Korff School of Music’s Dance Division Undergraduate Student

Vreeland Awards in Art and Music
Francis William Vreeland Awards
Given to recognize the creative achievements of the recipients in art and music.

- Carlie Jo Jeffrey
  School of Art, Art History & Design Undergraduate Student

- Michael Villarreal
  School of Art, Art History & Design Graduate Student

Ida M. Vreeland Awards

- Eun-Jin Chung
  Glenn Korff School of Music Undergraduate Student

- Jacob Lee
  Glenn Korff School of Music Graduate Student

HIXSON-LIED FACULTY & STAFF AWARDS

Faculty Award for Outreach, Engagement or Service
- Karen Kunc, School of Art, Art History & Design

Leadership Award in Curriculum or Programmatic Development
- Margaret Bohls, School of Art, Art History & Design

Achievement Award in Academic Advising
- Aaron Sutherlen, School of Art, Art History & Design

Senior Faculty Achievement Award in Research and Creative Activity
- Michael Hoff, School of Art, Art History & Design

Junior Faculty Achievement Award in Research and Creative Activity
- Philip Sapirstein, School of Art, Art History & Design

Junior Faculty Achievement Award in Teaching
- Matthew Sontheimer, School of Art, Art History & Design

Staff Awards for Outstanding Service
- James Michael Cotton, Glenn Korff School of Music

- Andrea Maack, School of Art, Art History & Design
SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Recognition of the retirement of Janice Stauffer, Associate Professor of Theatre, Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film.

Recognition of Laney Boyd, Glenn Korff School of Music (M.M.), as the recipient of the Office of Graduate Studies’ Folson Distinguished Master’s Thesis Award.

Recognition of Rana Young, School of Art, Art History & Design (M.F.A.), as the recipient of the Office of Graduate Studies’ Outstanding Graduate Research and Creative Activities Award.

RECOGNITION OF THE GRADUATING HIXSON-LIED FELLOWS

Louise Deroualle, School of Art, Art History & Design
Maxx Finn, Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film
Sheric Wayne Hull, Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film

Jesse McBee, Glenn Korff School of Music
Chadwick Taylor, Johnny Carson School of Theatre & Film

ALUMNI AWARDS

College Alumni Board’s Alumni Achievement Awards
Recognizes alumni from each academic unit of the College who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and overall professional excellence.

- Lawrence McFarland, M.F.A. 1976
  School of Art, Art History & Design

  Glenn Korff School of Music

- Patricia Raun, B.F.A. 1982
  Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film
College Alumni Board’s Award of Merit

Honors those who have made contributions to the College, but who are not necessarily an alumnus of the College.

• Rev. Stephen Griffith

MarySue Harris

REV. STEPHEN GRIFFITH

The Rev. Stephen Griffith has supported the arts in Lincoln and specifically the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film for more than a decade.

For the Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film, he is currently a volunteer member of the University Theatre Critics Panel and the non-university member of the Grants, Awards and Scholarships Committee.

As a member of the Critics Panel, Rev. Griffith is asked to attend each of the four mainstage productions annually. He is also a regular at each of the Theatrix productions and is seen at several independent student projects, including the annual Nebbys Film Festival.

To further support the students, Rev. Griffith has established the Stephen C. Griffith Johnny Carson School Support Fund, through the University of Nebraska Foundation, to assist students as they pursue travel to conferences, internships and competitions.

A lifelong Nebraskan and a long-time advocate on social justice issues, Rev. Griffith has been a pastor of United Methodist congregations in Nebraska since 1978, most recently for 13 years as Minister to the Community at Saint Paul United Methodist Church in Lincoln. A graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan University and Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Griffith previously served United Methodist churches in Omaha, Osceola, Lexington, Bertrand and Loomis, Nebraska.

MARYSUE HARRIS

A long-time Glenn Korff School of Music philanthropist, MarySue Harris has established the MarySue Harris School of Music Fund and the MarySue Harris Piano Scholarship Fund. She has also regularly contributed to the Lied Center Piano Series Performance Fund. All three of these funds have had a profound effect on the lives of many students and faculty in the Glenn Korff School of Music.

The MarySue Harris Piano Scholarship fund has supported some of our best piano students in the Glenn Korff School of Music. This scholarship money offered to these students is often a critical factor in their ability to choose the University of Nebraska–Lincoln for their undergraduate degrees.

In addition to providing our best pianists with scholarships, Harris’s generosity has also had a profound impact on our piano inventory. Hixson-Lied Professor of Piano Mark Clinton and Marguerite Scribante Professor of Piano Paul Barnes have both had their Steinway B’s from their teaching studios rebuilt. The MarySue Harris Music Fund was also used to purchase two new Yamaha grand pianos.
Lawrence McFarland is professor emeritus from the University of Texas at Austin, where he taught from 1985 until 2013. He was awarded the first William and Bettye Nowlin Endowed Professorship in Photography in 2003. In addition to his classes on the UT campus, he regularly taught in Castiglion Fiorentino, Italy, as part of the UT Study Abroad Program in art and art history.

McFarland received his B.F.A. in photography from the Kansas City Art Institute in 1973 and his M.F.A. in photography from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln in 1976, where he was awarded the Woods Fellowship. Since then, he has received three National Endowment for the Arts Visual Artists Fellowship Grants over three decades. He also was honored with a John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship in 2010-2011.

McFarland concentrates on landscape photography and has exhibited nationally and internationally. He has worked on several documentary projects, including working with a group of Navajos whose sacred lands, Dine’/Hajiinei, were being compromised because of oil exploration and pothunters. He has been published in several books, and a small volume of his work from the American West and Italy was published by Blue Sky Gallery in Portland, Oregon.

Dr. Lance D. Nielsen is the Supervisor of Music for Lincoln Public Schools where he supervises all music programs K-12. Prior to becoming an administrator, Dr. Nielsen taught for 23 years in both public schools and higher education. His teaching appointments included Associate Professor of Music at Doane University and instrumental music teacher at Lincoln East High School, Norris Public Schools and Kimball Public Schools in Nebraska. He continues to serve as an adjunct professor for Doane University teaching online music courses.

He is currently North Central Division Immediate Past-President and Chair of NAFME Professional Development Committee and has served as President of the Nebraska Music Educators Association, NAFME National Tri-M Chair and NMEA Chair of Band Affairs. He serves on various boards including the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Hixson-Lied Performing Arts College Alumni Board.

Dr. Nielsen received his Bachelor of Science in Education, Masters of Music with emphasis in Music Education and Doctorate of Philosophy in Music with an emphasis in Music Education from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln.

Patricia Raun is professor of performance and voice at Virginia Tech University, where she has taught since 1986. She served as director of the School of Performing Arts from 2004-2016. Her primary goal is to promote positive transformation by developing healthy and varied voices—both literal and figurative—in individuals, institutions and communities.

Currently her research focuses on the use of the tools of the theatre to develop communication skills in science and technology professionals—helping them discover ways to be more direct, personal, spontaneous and responsive.

After graduating from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln with her B.F.A. in 1982, Raun received her M.F.A. from the Penn State University. She advanced her academic and professional career in acting, direction and as a vocal/dialect coach in the Washington, D.C. area at the Mill Mountain Theatre, as well as the South Jersey Regional Theatre.

Raun has recently founded and chartered the Center for Communicating Science at Virginia Tech, where she will use her energy as a theatre professor to re-focus on finding ways that performance tools can help scientists, scholars, health professionals and others develop their abilities to communicate and connect.
ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN ART AND ART HISTORY
1994  Steven Yates
1995  Robert Culver, Jr.
1996  T.L. Solien
1997  Neil Christensen
1998  Suzanne Wise
1999  Ruth Rosekrans Hoffman
2000  Betty Kjelson
2001  Margaret Furlong
2002  Carol Haerer
2003  James D. Butler
2004  Lawrence L. Reger
2005  Bruce Conner
2006  John Nygren
2007  Dr. Anne El-Omami
2008  Christopher Ervin
2009  Thomas Riesing
2010  Peggy Gomez
2011  Wendy Jane Bantam
2012  James Cantrell
2013  Michael Strand
2014  Maureen Mills
2015  Susan Puelz
2016  Marcia B. Goldenstein

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN MUSIC
1994  Gene Bedient
1995  Jack Snider
1996  William Hatcher
1997  Dr. Lee Kjelson
1998  Helen Laird
1999  Theodore Brunson
2000  Charles Krutz
2001  Richard Svoboda
2002  Robert Nelson
2003  Vaughn Jaenike
2004  W. Dieter Jaenike
2005  Col. Gary Lamb
2006  Dr. Frank Tirro
2007  Dr. Lawrence Gwozdz
2008  Dr. Eugene O'Brien
2009  Dr. Laurie Scott
2010  Dr. Sharon Hansen
2011  Dr. Dennis Keith Cox
2012  Stephanie Taylor
2013  Robert Snider
2014  Dr. Alan J. Wengen
2015  Barbara Zach
2016  Dr. Robert H. Woody

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN THEATRE ARTS AND FILM
1995  Frederick Gaines
1996  Robert Schanke
1997  Judith Hart
1998  Richard Maulsby
1999  Alan Schuster
2000  Henry Blanke, Jr.
2001  Daniel Stratman
2002  Daniel Proett
2003  Bob Hall
2004  Sandy Veneziano
2005  James Baffico
2006  Kent Broadhurst
2007  Dr. Phyllis Gates
2008  Dr. Alan Nielsen
2009  Breanna Benjamin
2010  John Stark
2011  David Duffy
2012  Ahna Packard
2013  Timothy Croshaw
2014  Crystal Craft
2015  Nancy Marcy
2016  Jim Hanna

FACULTY SERVICE AWARD
2007  Tice Miller
2008  Dan Howard
2009  Jon Nelson
2011  Gail Kendall
2013  Ian Borden
2014  Laurel Shoemaker

PREVIOUS HONOREES
AWARD OF MERIT
1994  Dean Tschetter
1996  Marguerite Hac William
1997  Julie Hagemeier
1998  Norman Geske
2007  Ron Hull
2008  Art Thompson
2009  Sen. LaVon K. Crosby
2010  Dennis Schneider
2011  David Landis
2012  Christina M. Hixson
2013  Col. Jack Rokahr
2014  F. Pace Woods II
2015  Joseph M. Ruffo
2016  Ann Keyser Rawley
2017  Jim and Rhonda Seacrest
2018  Ernest Weyeneth
2019  Larry and Bets Frederick
2020  Harley Jane Kozak
2021  Richard Hay, D.D.S.
2022  William Tomek
2023  Ann Blomquist-Poll
2024  In Honor of Glenn Korff and Mary Riepma Ross
2025  Lucy Buntain Comine
2026  Leta Powell Drake
2027  Philip L. Perry
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