

Hello/Hola/Salut from the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies!

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1) DR. TEMPTAOUS MCKOY GUEST LECTURE AT ECSU – TUESDAY

Assistant Professor **Dr. Temptaous McKoy** will give a guest lecture tomorrow at her alma matter, Elizabeth City State University.

The Department of English and Digital Media Arts Presents:

"The 'Liz Taught Me:
Using my Viking Experience to Shift
The Future of Higher Education"

Dr. Temptaous McKoy
ECSU Alumni (English '13) and
Assistant Professor of English
at Bowie State University

Join Dr. McKoy as she discusses
how her experiences influenced the
development of her three-time
award winning dissertation digital
chapter and its impact on higher
education.

OCT. 19 3:30 PM JOHNSON 138
AND ON LIVE ON ZOOM AT
ECSU.ZOOM.US/J/8764698685

2) GUEST SPEAKER: DR. VERSHAWN YOUNG – WEDNESDAY

ENGL 790 Practicum in Teaching
College Composition
Bowie State University
Department of Language, Literature, and Cultural
Studies Presents...

Avoiding Anti-Blackness in The First-Year
Writing Classroom
With Dr. Vershawn Young

Join us as we chat with Dr. Young
as we seek to avoid Anti-Blackness in
the FYW classroom.

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OCT

6:15 PM - 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting ID:
874 2611 9122

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BSULLC

Dr. Vershawn Young, Author of *Your Average Nigger: Performing Race, Literacy, and Masculinity (and Co-Author of Other People's English Code-Mixing, Code-Switching, and African American Vernacular)*

For More Information Contact Dr. Temptaous McKoy: tmckoy@bowiestate.edu

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87426119122pwd=QURtaFBWQmxCZGc5UjBGSEpiZ0p4UT09>

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3) GUEST SPEAKER: MAYOR COLIN BYRD - THURSDAY



Colin Byrd, Mayor of Greenbelt, Maryland, will speak to **Professor Williamson's** two ENGL 102 sections about how he handles controversial issues and deals with people who might disagree with his agenda as he tries to help the Greenbelt community. Here is an opportunity for ENGL 102 students to think about real world dilemmas which are similar to their own class topics. Mayor Byrd will speak on Tuesday, Oct. 19, at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday, Oct. 21, at 11:00 a.m.

You are welcome to join us on Zoom:

<https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/9672440057?pwd=UWlZR3RqUFIpUWk3WlZyQlJaUlYdz09>

4) HORROR SCREENPLAY READINGS – OCTOBER 27

A poster for a horror screenplay readings event. The background is a dark, misty forest with tall, thin trees. The text is white and black. The title 'Trick or Treat' is in a large, serif font. Below it is the subtitle 'An Evening of Readings of Short Horror Screenplays'. The date and time are 'Wednesday, October 27 @ 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM'. The location and instructions are 'on the lawn in front of FPAC | bring a blanket, bring a fold up chair! wear a mask! come in costume!'. The list of writers is on the left. The department and instructor information is on the right.

Trick or Treat
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read by
BSU Theatre

FREE!
NO TICKETS!

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Department of Fine and Performing Arts
VCDM 370: Screenwriting
Creating Narratives for Film & Video
Instructor: Professor Bob Bartlett

5) WEST INDIAN LITERATURE CONFERENCE – OCTOBER 29

Faculty of Humanities and Education
Department of Language, Linguistics and Literature

UWI
CAVE HILL CAMPUS
BARBADOS, WEST INDIES

39th West Indian Literature Conference - Virtual Event

October 28-30, 2021

Contemporary Currents in Caribbean Literature

Panel Discussion

Kamau Brathwaite: A Commemoration
Friday, October 29, 2021 | 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Moderator:
Prof. Curwen Best
The UWI, Cave Hill Campus

Panelists:

Elaine Savory
Emeritus Professor
The New School Literary
Studies and Environmental
Studies

Elaine Savory has contributed extensively to scholarly archives on Kamau Brathwaite and Jean Rhys. Her other areas of specialty include African and Caribbean drama and theater, gender, and issues of transnationalism. Also a poet, her works include a collection, *Time Tree Time*, and *Miranda, the Voicing*.

Kwame Dawes
Professor of English
University of Nebraska

Kwame Dawes is an actor, playwright, and producer, an accomplished storyteller, broadcaster who has authored twenty-two books of poetry and numerous other books of fiction, criticism and essays. Among his many awards are an Emmy, the Forward Poetry Prize, a Guggenheim Fellowship and the prestigious Windham Campbell Prize for Poetry.

Free Event

Register at <https://bit.ly/wilckb>
www.cavehill.uwi.edu/fhe/III/wilc

The West Indian Literature Conference hosted by the University of the West Indies is welcoming people to attend a panel on poet Kamau Brathwaite for free via Zoom (attendees must [register](#)).

6) EIGHT-WEEK PLAYWRITING CLASS



Professor Bob Bartlett is teaching a second eight-week playwriting: THEA 422-555 Playwriting II. This course begins on October 25 and meets online only (synchronous weekly meetings with asynchronous activities). The course covers the essential elements of writing for the stage and focusses on writing longer plays. The class will meet Tuesdays 4:00-6:20 pm.

7) CREATIVE WRITING OPPORTUNITY: *RIPPLE*



Ripple, an inclusive feminist print and online publication based out of the WGS and Creative Writing departments at the University of Maine at Farmington is seeking submissions related to feminism and social justice from undergraduate creatives. Intersectional works are both needed and encouraged. The publication accept visual art, poetry and prose. The deadline for the Fall 2021 issue is November 5. All submissions and questions should be sent to ripplezine@gmail.com.

8) DRIFTERS EMERGENCY STUDENT GRANT

The Drifters Emergency Student Grant is a \$10,000 grant awarded annually to degree-conferring institutions whose student enrollment is primarily comprised of students from underrepresented backgrounds. These grants have been given to numerous colleges and universities to help students to continue their studies. **Bowie State University** was awarded the grant at The National Drifters, Inc. 63rd national Convention in August 2019. As a result, Juniors/Seniors in the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies experiencing an emergency need for tuition assistance, housing assistance, course materials, meal planning or transportation assistance are eligible to apply. Please Contact Professor Lane (alane@bowiestate.edu) or Dr. Basena (dbasena@bowiestate.edu) for an application form.

9) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta is always looking to welcome new members.

Membership Requirements:

- Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in

English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.

- Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.

- Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$40 goes to Sigma Tau Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate.

To learn more about Membership Benefits, please click here: <http://english.org/members/benefits.shtml>

If you are interested in becoming a member, please e-mail hsierra@bowiestate.edu

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