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Marshall Jazz Festival Starts Jan. 28

Marshall University's 41st Annual Jazz Festival, which will take place Jan. 28, 29 and 30, will feature guest artists Bob Thompson, pianist, and Greg Abate, saxophonist. Thompson and Abate will perform, adjudicate school ensembles and present clinic sessions as part of the festival.

Bob Thompson's music has communicated with audiences around the globe during a professional career that has spanned more than 30 years. From his early days with the Modern Jazz Interpreters, to an acclaimed series of solo albums on labels such as Capitol and Ichiban, to his latest work with his five-member Bob Thompson Unit, Thompson has won the respect and praise of jazz critics and fans alike. With appearances on BET, the internationally-broadcast public



West Virginia jazz legend Bob Thompson will appear at the Marshall Jazz Festival Jan. 28-30.

radio show Mountain Stage and several tours abroad, he's been a visible presence in the jazz world. For the past eleven years Thompson's holiday jazz show, "Joy to the World," has been broadcast on Public Radio International.

Greg Abate, jazz saxophonist, flutist and composer, is an international jazz/recording artist who spends 150 days a year touring the globe. In the mid-1970s, after graduating from the Berklee College Of Music, Abate played lead alto sax for the Ray Charles Orchestra. He also formed his own group, "Channel One," that became a favorite in the New England area. He also played tenor sax with the revived Artie Shaw Orchestra.

Thompson and Abate join a long list of artists who have performed at Marshall and with the MU Jazz Ensemble. Recently performers have included Arturo Sandoval, The Columbus Jazz Orchestra, Paquie D'Rivera and the Dizzy Gillespie All Stars, Sherrie Maricle and the DIVA Jazz Orchestra and The Knoxville Jazz Orchestra with Dan Trudell.

Marshall's jazz festival is one of the longest continuously running college festivals in the country. It has been an important part of West Virginia's artistic community since its beginning in 1970. It attracts nationally recognized artists and supports the MU Jazz Studies program in its efforts to educate students, to entertain the public and to preserve the rich heritage of jazz.

Additional contributions to the festival include performances by Dr. Sean Parsons, Bluetrane, (Marshall's Faculty Jazz Combo), the MU Jazz Ensemble and the Thundering Herd All-Stars.

The following festival events are in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse on 5th Ave. on the Huntington campus:

Thursday, Jan. 28

8 p.m., High School Honors Ensemble and Bob Thompson and Sean Parsons, piano duo

Friday, Jan. 29

9 a.m.-5 p.m. High School Adjudication
8 p.m. Guest artist Greg Abate with Bluetrane

Saturday, Jan. 30

9 a.m.-1 p.m. High School adjudication
2 p.m. Greg Abate master class
8 p.m. Thundering Herd Jazz All-Stars
8:30 p.m. Festival Finale: Marshall University Jazz Ensemble with guest saxophonist Greg Abate.

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Marshall Joins Internet2

Marshall University has joined Internet2®, an advanced networking consortium. Through its membership, MU's students, faculty and staff will have access to Internet2's premier, ultrafast nationwide network which connects close to 70,000 research and educational institutions in the U.S. and interconnects with 80 international research networks worldwide.

Marshall officials say participating directly in the Internet2 community and connecting to its advanced high-performance network provides the university with transformative tools for learning and discovery, and supports research, education and healthcare throughout the region.

Dr. Jan I. Fox, senior vice president for information technology and chief information officer at MU, said that in addition to providing access to a number of significant emerging technologies not available within the limitations of previous networks, the Internet2 Network links Marshall with people, equipment and information at partner institutions around the world.

"Internet2 gives Marshall networking power that until very recently was available only to the most prestigious research institutions," she said. "We now have access to state-of-the-art telemedicine, bioinformatics, virtual reality and visualization technologies, in addition to advanced collaboration capabilities that connect us as never before to colleagues and information across the country. Internet2 will truly revolutionize what our students and investigators can do, how they do it and who can participate."

Fox recognized Marshall staff members who spearheaded the project, including Dr. Arnold R. Miller, assistant vice president for information technology and executive director of university computing services; Allen Taylor, chief technology officer; and Michael Adkins, director of information technology infrastructure.

President Stephen J. Kopp said, "Through Internet2, we have a vital new tool that will allow us to help resolve global

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Program in Health Policy to be Named for Paul Ambrose

The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine has announced the Paul Wesley Ambrose Health Policy Program, a nationally ground-breaking program that couples health policy educational opportunities with residency training in family medicine.



Dr. Paul W. Ambrose

The health policy track in Marshall's family medicine training program is the first of its kind in the United States. Co-directors Stephen Petransy, M.D., and Jennifer Plymale said participants in the program will learn about the complexities of health policy from the development stage through implementation, while also fine-tuning their leadership skills so they can effectively contribute to the process.

Marshall medical graduate Tracy Hendershot, M.D., is the first resident in the new program, which will offer health policy opportunities and experiences across West Virginia and in the nation's capital, and possibly in other locations as well.

Like Marshall's family medicine residency tracks in international health and wilderness medicine, which both

Faculty Service Award Named for Guyer

Dr. Barbara Guyer, current Marshall University professor and retired founder and director of the Marshall H.E.L.P. program, has made a gift to create a faculty award endowment in Marshall's College of Education and Human Services (COEHS).

The award, which has been renamed the "Dr. Barbara Guyer Faculty Award for Excellence in Service," will annually recognize COEHS faculty for excellence in service. Guyer and her husband, Dr. Kenneth Guyer, associate professor in Marshall's School of Medicine, have made the contribution to support and recognize COEHS faculty for commitment to service.

The award originally was established in 2006 by Dr. Rosalyn Templeton, dean of the College of Education and Human Services. Current, full-time, tenured faculty in the COEHS are eligible to apply for this yearly recognition and \$500 award stipend. Templeton also established awards in the areas of research and teaching.

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also were national firsts, the new program is expected to attract some of the nation's best and brightest young physicians, Petransy said.

The program is a partnership of Marshall's Department of Family and Community Health and Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health, the Rural Health Access Corporation, Inc., and the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission.

Plymale, director of the Byrd Center for Rural Health, and Petransy, a professor in the Department of Family and Community Health and its associate chairman for medical education, said the program was inspired by namesake Paul Ambrose, a Marshall medical alumnus whose life and dynamic health policy career were cut short on Sept. 11, 2001.

They noted his passion for health policy issues and his commitment to the people of West Virginia. "The extraordinary character of Paul Ambrose serves as the inspiration for encouraging an attitude of selflessness and commitment to public service in these future clinicians – an attitude that will engender meaningful involvement to improve the health care of their patients," their statement said.

Graduate College Forms Advisory Board

The Graduate College Advisory Board has been formed at Marshall University, according to Dr. Donna Spindel, dean of the Graduate College.

Spindel said the board is a group of distinguished educational, corporate, professional and community leaders with a strong commitment to enhancing the quality of graduate education at Marshall University. The board's mission is to promote the activities of the graduate college to the external community, to provide advice and input on graduate education to the dean, and to help identify and obtain private funding for graduate student professional activities. The advisory board's first meeting took place on Dec. 4.

Graduate College Advisory Board members include Dr. Duke Haddad, Vice President for Development/CDO, The Children's Medical Center of Dayton; David Haden, MU Alumni Association, graduate college representative, iSource, LLC, Charleston; Monica Hatfield, educator, past president, MU Foundation, Charleston; Mark H. Hayes, attorney, Robinson & McElwee, Charleston; William Sawran, retired, corporate Vice President, Ashland Oil, Lexington, Ky.; Elizabeth Appell Sheets, Student Legal Aid Advisor, Marshall University, board member, Huntington Museum of Art; Brandon B. Roisman, Vice President-Wealth Management, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, Huntington; Lawrence Tweel, managing partner, Green, Ketchum, Bailey & Tweel, Huntington; Dr. Thomas Wilkinson, DDS, SOM admissions committee, Hospice Board, Barboursville.

Hagen Co-Edits Book on International Borders

Dr. Joshua Hagen, an associate professor in the Department of Geography, is an editor of and contributor to a book titled "Borderlines and Borderlands: Political Oddities at the Edge of the Nation-State."

The book is now available at www.RowmanLittlefield.com and Amazon.com.

Hagen earned a Ph.D. in Geography with a minor in history at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He has taught at Marshall since 2003.

"Since most students are accustomed to visualizing the world as a mosaic of distinct nation-states, this book aims to

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Profile: Elizabeth Rutherford

A series on interesting Marshall University people.



Elizabeth Rutherford

Green has always been the color of Marshall but the recycling receptacles sprouting around campus are part of Elizabeth Rutherford's mission to make Marshall an even deeper shade of green.

As the new Recycling Coordinator working out of the Sustainability Department, she is overseeing efforts to make recycling easy and convenient for everyone, students and staff alike.

"The recycling effort is campus wide, in every building in all locations on the Huntington campus," she says. "I've been at Marshall for a long time as both a student and as an employee, so it's exciting to see recycling so widespread."

Her new job is a natural progression for her. After receiving a Regents B.A. degree in 2002 and later a Graduate Certificate in Business Management, she has returned to the classroom once more and is currently pursuing a degree in environmental science. She was working in Physical Plant when she learned that a new job focusing on recycling had been created. "I've always been interested in the environment; it's an important thing for me. I was excited to know that there was going to be someone on campus to coordinate recycling efforts, so there was no way I couldn't apply."

Actually there was some recycling being done but it was spotty, she says. Now a coordinated campaign is in place with more to come. They're starting with paper and plastic containers and later will phase in aluminum and steel cans. Eventually batteries and ink cartridges will be included. Right now, efforts are centered on the Huntington campus, but there are plans to expand to the medical school, the medical facilities at the VA hospital and to the Mid-Ohio Valley Center in Point Pleasant and the South Charleston campus.

"I hope what we've done makes it convenient and so far the reaction has been positive," says Rutherford. "Wherever there are trash cans, we try to have a recycling bin. There are white recycling pods in 10 locations on campus where there are places to put plastic, paper and trash. There will be receptacles in all buildings on campus. In addition, there are three large receptacles placed outside. One is between the Science Hall and Harris Hall, one is outside the student center on the campus side and one is outside the Drinko Library."

Part of the recycling effort is just getting out the word about what's available, she says. "We're doing a lot of work with students. We're meeting with RAs in the residence halls and we're making ourselves available to students for any questions they might have and generally we're promoting what we have in place."

She will also oversee volunteer-driven off-campus recycling, including the "Be Green" programs at the Joan C. Edwards Stadium and tailgate areas during football season and the Cam Henderson Center during

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CATS to be Presented Feb. 8 and 9

Those frisky and mischievous felines that have delighted audiences all over the world will be making a two-day stop in Huntington when the award winning musical *Cats* comes to the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center Feb.8 and 9 with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Winner of seven Tony Awards, including best musical, best book, best lighting and costumes, the show eventually became the longest continuously touring show in American theater history.

With music by Andrew Lloyd Weber, the show is based on T.S. Eliot's whimsical book, *The Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*. Staged on an oversized junkyard set, the musical features a cast of exotically costumed cat characters that sing, dance, emote and philosophize about life in general.

For ticket information contact the Artists Series at 6-6656.

Create Huntington Recognizes Gallery 842 Founders

Four individuals from the Department of Art and Design have been selected as 2010 Create Huntington Honorees for their efforts in creating a new downtown art gallery. They are Byron Clercx, chair of the Department of Art and Design; John Farley, director of both the Birke Art Gallery in Smith Hall and Gallery 842 as well as an adjunct faculty member; and Natalie Gibbs and Kristin Zammiello, who are also an adjunct faculty members. Both Farley and Gibbs are Marshall graduates.

Create Huntington's aim is to empower community livability so that Huntington can be successful in a global economy.

The four were cited for their work in establishing Gallery 842, taking an empty storefront at that address on Fourth Avenue and developing it into a gallery which will showcase fine art in many media and in both two and three dimensions.

Farley said visitors to Gallery 842 will be presented with a diverse range of fine art. "This exhibition is representative of the quality and breadth of work being produced by artists in this region," he added.

Thomas McChesney, a Create Huntington volunteer, echoed Farley's sentiments. "Gallery 842 is a prime example of what can be accomplished when engaged citizens from the community and faculty, students and staff from Marshall work together." McChesney, director of Marketing and Business Development for Huddleson Bolen, L.L.P., said. "In just a few months they've taken an idea from concept to reality and will transform an empty store into a vibrant gallery." he said.

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Posing in front of a work by Natalie Gibbs at Gallery 842 are John Farley; Gibbs; Byron Clercx; Adam Bishop (volunteer and husband of Kristin Zammiello) and Zammiello.

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basketball season. This particular effort educates Thundering Herd fans about recycling and all proceeds go to benefit Goodwill Industries which gives training for jobs in the Huntington area.

Because there are no recycling facilities in the immediate area, paper and plastics are taken to a Portsmouth, Ohio facility, where they are sorted. Currently Rutherford oversees four students who have been hired to manage daily pickups, Monday through Friday throughout the campus. Eventually there may be as many as eight students hired.

"It's important to these students to be doing this kind of work," she maintains. "For this generation of students recycling is just a normal thing to do. For some of us we have to make a change in our habits to recycle, but they've always done it. We need to take care of what's around us."

Rutherford believes it is never too early to begin, either. Recently she dropped off tote bags to the Child Development Academy, which has children from approximately ages 2 to 5. "This is the perfect age to begin stressing awareness of the world around us and taking care of it. It just becomes a natural part of their growing up. They won't even think about it; they'll just do it."

That's why the greening effort starts in her own home, particularly with her four-year-old daughter, Annie, in mind. "It's important to me that she has a place to grow up in that's clean and livable and that her children can live in a nice place. West Virginia is a beautiful state; we need to take care of it."

Rutherford grew up in this area and graduated from Buffalo-Wayne High School. She feels fortunate that all of her family and her husband's Josh's family still live close by. Given their love for the outdoors and their concern for its preservation, it's not surprising that the Rutherfords are avid bikers. They regularly take leisurely biking jaunts throughout their neighborhood but a year ago they stretched their biking muscles and tackled a demanding two-day 150 mile trek from Charleston to Buckhannon to help raise money for AIDS research.

The group ride was sponsored by the United Methodist Church and called for bikers to ride 100 grueling miles the first day and finish the final 50 the next day. "It was exhausting but exhilarating," Rutherford remembers. "We ride on the back roads and you get to see a lot of scenery that you would never see from a car. You can go slower and look around more. You're doing it with friends and you're doing it for charity which gives a whole new meaning as you're making an effort for other people. But I have to say, that last 50 miles was hard!"

And, she says. "When I was growing up--and I wasn't the only one--all we wanted to do was to leave West Virginia. But now all we want to do is figure out a way to stay here. This is such a beautiful place and I want to do all I can to take care of it."

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Create Huntington, among other things, encourages citizens' participation in developing a community shared vision for progress, connects people with resources, tools and other people so that community projects are completed collaboratively and efficiently, and provides a "think tank" atmosphere for exploring and sharing new ideas and promoting their application in the community.

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problems that require the minds and resources of a global community. Our faculty, staff and students have access to more and better information and technology, and can collaborate with partners across the barriers presented traditionally by geography, organizational structure and disciplines of study."

Ana Preston, Internet2 executive director of member relations and communications, said, "Our community is pleased to welcome Marshall University as a member. We look forward to engaging with its faculty, staff and students on a variety of important technology initiatives that hold the promise of significantly enhancing its campus learning and research environment as well as improving its region's access to important new telehealth applications. Marshall's commitment to extending the benefits of advanced networking and to participating in the development of new cyberinfrastructure will be a valuable asset to our members and global partners."

Marshall's connection to the Internet2 Network is made possible through a partnership with OARnet, Ohio's statewide research and education network, and Merit, Michigan's statewide research and education network and an Internet2 Connector organization.

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Admission for each day is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets for events in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse are available at the JCE ticket office or by phone at 304-696-ARTS (2787)

For additional information, contact Dr. Ed Bingham, director of jazz studies at Marshall, at 304-696-3147 or visit MU Jazz Studies online at www.marshall.edu/jazz.

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"Dr. Guyer has successfully combined her academic career with outstanding community service to benefit literally thousands of individuals at the local, state, national and international levels," Templeton said. "She is truly a blessing for West Virginia and most deserving to have this award named after her."

Those wishing to contribute to COEHS endowments, programs and services are encouraged to contact Rick Robinson, Director of Development for the College of Education and Human Services, at 6-7081 or via e-mail at robinsor@marshall.edu.

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generate interest in political geography and international relations by offering scholarly examinations of the historical development and contemporary issues surrounding some visually 'odd' international borders, like Namibia's Caprivi Strip or the Ferghana Valley in Central Asia," Hagen said. "The book uses the apparently unnatural contours of these borders to expose students to broader theoretical and practical discussions concerning the nature and function of international borders."

Alexander C. Diener, the editor in addition to Hagen, is associate professor of geography at Pepperdine University.