



# IUPUI



## IU SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS

### FYI - FEBRUARY 2009

#### Events

**Tim Hardy**-actor, director and faculty member of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts (RADA) in London-will be in residency at IUPUI from March 22-29, 2009. Join us for one of these special events:

**"Reinventing Shakespeare for the 21st Century:**

**Keeping the Bard Relevant on Stage, on Page, and in Film"**

The John D. Barlow Lecture in the Humanities - Free and open to the public

- ♦ Monday, March 23, 5:30 pm, IUPUI University Library Ruth Lilly Auditorium

**"Galileo"**

Tickets for all attendees \$15. Contact Vicki Hale, [vhale@iupui.edu](mailto:vhale@iupui.edu), to reserve yours

- ♦ Tuesday, March 24, 7 pm, Information Communications Technology Complex 152
- ♦ Wednesday, March 25, 6 pm, IU School of Law, Wynne Courtroom  
*Followed by a panel discussion on canonical law and the issues of science vs. religious belief.*
- ♦ Friday, March 27, 7:30 pm, Information Communications Technology Complex 152

Hardy's educational and performance residence is presented by the Department of English in the IU School of Liberal Arts with support from the PU School of Science and the IU School of Law - Indianapolis. A grant from the IUPUI 40th Anniversary Celebration Fund also underwrote the week-long visit. For more information regarding these events please contact Professor Terri Bourus at [tbourus@iupui.edu](mailto:tbourus@iupui.edu) or (317) 278-0887.

#### Students

Liberal Arts students **Eugene Pride** (senior, Pre-Individualized Major) and **Jeff Hoffman** (sophomore, Communication Studies) recently attended the **8th Annual Democracy Matters Summit** in Albany, NY, along with three other IUPUI students as representatives of the IUPUI's Democracy Matters student organization. The IUPUI students received special recognition at the event as outstanding extemporaneous public speakers.

#### Grants

**David Bodenhamer**, Professor of History and Executive Director of the Polis Center, received \$1,477,238 to perform two 17-month hazard mitigation planning projects for the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. The Polis Center spatial information team will work with IDHS to organize local government and community resources to develop strategies to mitigate the economic impact of hazards and natural disasters on over 30 farming or prairie counties in Indiana.

#### Engagement

**Modupe Labode**, Assistant Professor of History and Museum Studies and Public Scholar of African American History and Museums, saw her hard work pay off when "Shadow and Substance: African American Photographs from the Burns Archive" opened January 19 at the Indiana State Museum, 650 W. Washington Street. The exhibit includes photography from The Burns Archive focusing on the lives of African Americans over the past 160 years. The exhibit runs through May 17, 2009 at the Museum and is open during normal business hours.

#### Events

On March 10th, **Peter Singer**, Ira W. DeCamp Professor of Bioethics at Princeton University, will present a lecture on "The Life You Can Save: Acting Now to End World Poverty." Singer, named one of the "100 most influential people in the world" by Time Magazine, will explore ethical arguments, provocative thought experiments and case studies of charitable giving to assert that our current response to world poverty is not only insufficient but indefensible. The lecture, presented by the **Baker-Ort Chair in International Healthcare Philanthropy** and the Medical Humanities and Health Studies Program, takes place at 7:30 PM in the Campus Center, Room 450.

#### Awards

**John R. Kaufman-McKivigan**, Professor of History and Director of the Frederick Douglass Papers Project, was awarded \$74,656 by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC). The NHPRC funds will support pre-publication work on one of Douglass' autobiographical volumes, The Life and Times of Frederick Douglas. It will also enable the FDP Project team to make significant progress on two volumes of the Correspondence series, culminating in publication of the first volume.

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- Grants** Five Liberal Arts faculty members received Indiana University grants to support their research and conference plans. The grants were awarded as part of the **2009 New Frontiers in the Arts and Humanities Program**.
- **David M. Craig**, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, *Debating Desire: Ritual Performance and the Politics of Marriage*
  - **Philip Goff**, Professor of Religious Studies and Director of the Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture, *Religion and American Culture Conference*
  - **Matthew Groshek**, Public Scholar of Exhibit Planning and Design, Assistant Professor, Museum Studies and Herron School of Art, *Developing Concepts, Contents and Narratives; Design, Research and Prototype Development for a Traveling Exhibition*
  - **Bessie House-Soremekun**, Public Scholar in African American Studies, Civic Engagement, and Entrepreneurship, *1st Annual Public Scholars in African American and African Diaspora Studies Conference: Rethinking Economic Development in the Context of Globalization*
  - **Rachel Wheeler**, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, *Revolutions in Faith: Five Generations of a Mohican-Moravian Family, 1740-1815*
- Awards** *The Columbia Sourcebook of Muslims in the United States*, by Professor **Edward Curtis** (Religious Studies/Millennium Scholar of the Liberal Arts), has been named one of the outstanding books of 2008 by Choice, the premier source for reviews of academic books, electronic media, and Internet resources of interest to those in higher education. Curtis' book brings together essays and documents presenting a patchwork narrative of Muslims in America from colonial times to the present.
- Awards** Professor Emerita of History **Miriam Z. Langsam** was honored at the IU Alumni Leadership Awards Dinner on February 26, with IUPUI's highest alumni award, the **Maynard K. Hine Medal**. Throughout the course of Langsam's forty year career at IUPUI, she was instrumental in the growth and development of the campus, and was unmatched in her advocacy for the needs of IUPUI students, evidenced most particularly in her service as the Associate Dean for Students in the School of Liberal Arts from 1986 until her retirement in August of 2003.
- Engagement** **Nancy Robertson**, Associate Professor of History and Philanthropic Studies, will deliver the keynote lecture at St. Paul, Minnesota's Hamline University during their Founders' Day and Symposium on the Humanities. Robertson will draw from her research into the history of the YWCA and race relations in her lecture entitled "Pioneers Together: Black and White Women and the Long Civil Rights Movement." She will also be participating in a lunch discussion called "Youth Cannot Wait: Student Activism and Racial Justice in the YWCA," at the University of Notre Dame.
- Research** **Anne Beeson Royalty**, Economics, will collaborate with Stanford University faculty member M. Kate Bundorf, Assistant Professor of Health Research and Policy on a project to analyze the sources of costs growth and decomposition of health care cost increases and to develop policy implications of the results. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is funding their research.

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