ETSU celebrating Women’s History Month with a great lineup of events

The 2014 National Women’s History Month theme, Celebrating Women of Character, Courage, and Commitment, honors the extraordinary and often unrecognized determination and tenacity of women. Against social convention and often legal restraints, women have created a legacy that expands the frontiers of possibility for generations to come. Women demonstrate their character, courage and commitment as mothers, educators, institution builders, business, labor, political and community leaders, relief workers, and CEOs.

The ETSU campus community will celebrate Women’s History Month with an outstanding lineup of special events and lectures during March 2014. The following outlines the programs slated for this month dedicated to celebrating the accomplishments of women.

“EQUAL: Modern Family in Contemporary Art” is an art exhibition exploring the evolving definition and form of the American family in contemporary art. The exhibition features various perspectives by artists who endeavor to push the boundaries of the traditional definition of the family, and employ art as agent for equality, recognition and social justice. The participating artists include Scott Anderson, Cortney Boyd, Joe Bruns, Chris Carson, Laura Chenicke, Jennifer Halvorson, Greg Howser, Delphine Keim, Liz Layton, Sally Machlis, Desiree Markland, Edward Morin, Mike Murphy, Daruth Padilla, Shai Perry, Rogelio Rodriguez, Ann Rowles, Jaime Santos-Prowse, Joe Singleton, Irma Sizer, Paul Tosh, Kimberly Walton, Jennifer Weigel, and Dave Willison.

Opening on March 17 and running through April 11, 2014, at the Tipton Gallery, an Opening Reception, with artists’ talk, is scheduled for First Friday, April 4, 2014, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Tipton Gallery is located at 126 Spring Street, Johnson City, Tenn. The exhibit is co-curated by Karlota Contreras-Koterbay, Slocumb Gallery director, and SG Student Society President Michael Hale. Tipton Gallery hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sponsors for “EQUAL: Modern Family in Contemporary Art” are ETSU’s Department of Art & Design, Slocumb Galleries, Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Gender and Diversity Studies, Office of Equity and Diversity, Office of Multicultural Affairs, Women’s Studies Program, ETSU Civility Week and Women’s Resource Center, as well as the Urban Redevelopment Alliance. For more information, contact Karlota Contreras-Koterbay at 423-483-3179 or the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772. This exhibit is free and open to the public.

On Thursday, March 20, 2014, Natalie R. Manor, executive coach and business entrepreneur for 28 years, will present “Gender Issues? Then, Now and How We Are Doing.” Location for the Manor lecture is the East Tennessee Room, D.P. Culp University Center. Start time is 5:00 p.m.

Manor’s lecture is a retrospective of gender issue history from 1900 to 2014. With personal experiences that include living with her grandmother for 30 years, having a working mother, and being a single parent, Manor will help this sometimes serious and contentious topic land where it belongs...in our awareness and in our behavioral control.

When Manor started her business in 1986, they asked that her “husband” co-sign for her financial responsibilities. Manor contends that the landscape of “gender” remains not only interesting, but provocative in all areas of our lives.

This Women’s History Month Lecture is sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center. A question/answer session and reception follow Manor’s talk. For more information, contact the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772. This lecture is free and open to the public.

Local artist and self-awareness guide Pam Murray, B.A., M.B.A., is guest facilitator for "You are the Art." Scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, 2014, location is the Campus Center Building, room 220. Start time is noon.

Murray aids participants in focusing on how they are both being art and becoming art, being and becoming the creative expression of themselves no matter
Dublin-born performer Clare Murphy (pictured left) has lived in four different countries and she has performed in more than 20. On Wednesday, April 2, 2014, Murphy comes to the ETSU campus to present her one-woman show “Inisfáil: Island of Destiny.” The Bud Frank Theatre, Gilbreath Hall, is the location for Murphy’s performance. Start time is 7:30 p.m.

“Inisfáil – Island of Destiny” is Irish mythology for adults. Upon arrival at Inisfáil the Irish gods burnt their boats so they could never leave the island of their destiny. They fought fiercely against foes and prophecies to keep their land for themselves. Kings, fail, battles, rage, and prophecies are fulfilled in this epic telling of Irish myths.

Murphy’s repertoire of tales and shows includes myth, legend, folklore, fables, contemporary personal tales, and original stories. She is a very physically dynamic performer, who uses her body and voice together to imbue life into her shows. Venues Murphy has played include Globe, Soho, National Theatre, Barbican Theatre London, and Scottish Storytelling Centre in Edinburgh. Festivals include Cheltenham Literature Festival, UK; National Storytelling Festival, USA; Toronto International Storytelling Festival, Canada; and Out of the Box Festival, Singapore. Murphy currently resides in London.

Sponsors for “Inisfáil: Island of Destiny” are ETSU’s Storytelling Program, SGA BucFund, and Women’s Resource Center. For more information, contact Dr. Joseph Sobol, Storytelling program coordinator, at 423-439-7863 or the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772. This event is free and open to the public.

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**TAKE BACK THE NIGHT**

**Candlelight Vigil - Honoring Survivors of Sexual Violence**

The annual Take Back the Night Candlelight Vigil – Honoring Survivors of Sexual Violence is scheduled for Tuesday, April 1, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. Location is the Cave Patio, D.P. Culp University Center.

All students, faculty, staff, and community members are encouraged to join us to honor survivors of sexual violence and celebrate the resiliency of survivors. A brief program of music and thoughtful reflection will be followed by a reception in the Cave. OASIS (Outreach and Advocacy Sexuality Information for Students) has partnered with BucTainment’s Takeover Tuesday for this year’s event. Other sponsors include the ETSU Counseling Center and the Women’s Resource Center.

For more information, contact Kate Emmerich, ETSU Counseling Center, at 423-439-4841 or email oasis@etsu.edu.

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**Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®:**

**The International Men’s March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence**

Here they come . . . men in heels. Their mission? To crush sexual violence! **Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®** is the International Men’s March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence. OASIS (Outreach & Advocacy Sexuality Information for Students) is your campus’ sexual and relationship violence prevention program, and we are pleased to announce that, for the first time here at ETSU, we will be hosting this event! The march is set for Thursday, April 3, 2014, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Location is the Cave Patio, D.P. Culp University Center.

2014 is the year we launch this fun, fabulous event here at ETSU, and we are asking you to participate. Other **Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®** marches held in locations such as Asheville, Chattanooga, and Memphis have been hugely successful, so we have some BIG SHOES to fill! Our future goal is to expand this campus event to include the greater Johnson City community and to raise funds to support local organizations that support/assist victims of sexual and relationship violence. This year, however, we are not requiring a registration fee, only a rental fee of $7 for shoes ($10 on the day of the march). You are also, of course, welcome to pick out and wear your own heels! Any additional donations are given to our publicity partner for...
this event, the Sexual Assault Center of East Tennessee (SACETN).

Sponsors for this event include SACETN, Kappa Delta, Earth Fare, Basler CPA, Planned Parenthood, and Women’s Resource Center.

For more information, contact Kate Emmerich, ETSU Counseling Center, at 423-439-4841 or email oasis@etsu.edu.

Some article contents for the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® adapted from the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® web site at http://www.walkamileinhershoes.org/.

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**Unbreakable Threads** is a documentary showing the controversy surrounding same-sex families raising children at a time when laws and views on the topic are rapidly changing. The film screening is scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2014. Location is the Martha Street Culp Auditorium, D.P. Culp University Center and start time is 5:00 p.m.

In 2012, Stacey Summers (pictured left) founded her company Poppy Pro Productions. She teamed up with Adam Richard of Noble Imaging and Heikki Mikael Mustonen of SimpleView Entertainment in order to begin the development of the documentary. She then partnered with Stig Daniels of Java Time Productions and completed the film.

The film portrays a personal and intimate perspective of same-sex families raising children in a society that is not always accepting. This documentary is trying to raise awareness of today’s ever-changing families. Every child should be proud of his/her family.

Several families are shadowed in everyday situations. There are experts’ views, as well as high-profile interviews. The stories show hope and acceptance, courage and adversity. **Unbreakable Threads** is a documentary featuring Zach Wahls and Mayor Annise Parker, and is directed by Stacey Summers. The screening will be followed by a reception and talk-back session with Summers as well as one of the couples profiled in the film.

Sponsors for **Unbreakable Threads** are ETSU’s Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Gender and Diversity Studies concentration, Slocumb Galleries, Office of Equity and Diversity, Office of Multicultural Affairs, and Women’s Resource Center. Additional support is being provided by the ETSU Department of Philosophy and Humanities and Film Studies Program. For more information, contact Dr. Jill LeRoy-Frazier at 423-439-4223 or the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772. This film screening is free and open to the public.

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**ETSU Staff Woman of the Year**

**award ceremony slated for April 2014**

On Wednesday, April 16, 2014, the annual **ETSU Staff Woman of the Year** Award Ceremony and Reception is scheduled to formally recognize the 2014 award recipient. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend this important ceremony recognizing the accomplishments of one of ETSU’s outstanding staff women.

Ms. Kathleen Moore, the 2014 award recipient, serves as director of sustainability in the Department of Facilities Management. President Brian Noland will present the monetary award and plaque to Ms. Moore, along with Dr. Sarah Bradford, chair of the **ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee**.

Sponsors of this program are the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee, ETSU Staff Senate, Office of Equity and Diversity, and Women’s Resource Center. For more information, please contact the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772.

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On behalf of the **ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee** and the **ETSU Staff Senate**

All staff and faculty members are cordially invited to attend the

**ETSU Staff Woman of the Year**

**Award Ceremony and Reception**

Wednesday, April 16, 2014

4:00 p.m.

D.P. Culp University Center,

East Tennessee Room

A reception will follow the award presentation.
ETSU Women’s Resource Center
Program Schedule

For more information on the events listed contact the WRC at 423-439-5772.

MARCH – MAY 2014
PROGRAMS – Main Campus (unless otherwise noted)

Monday, March 17 through Friday, April 11
“EQUAL: Modern Family in Contemporary Art” – A Women’s History Month and Civility Week Event. March 17th is the opening of the art exhibition exploring the evolving definition and form of the American family in contemporary art. An Opening Reception, with artists’ talk, is scheduled for First Friday, April 4, 2014. Lead sponsor is ETSU’s Department of Art and Design and Stocum Galleries. See article pages 1-2.
LOCATION & TIME: Tipton Gallery, 126 Spring Street, Johnson City, Tenn.

Wednesday, March 19
LOCATION & TIME: Women’s Resource Center, Campus Center Building, room 220, noon.

Thursday, March 20
“Gender Issues? Then, Now and How We Are Doing” – A Women’s History Month Lecture. Natalie R. Manor, executive coach and business entrepreneur for 28 years, is guest speaker. Manor’s lecture is a retrospective of gender issues history from 1900 to 2014. Sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center. See article pages 1-2.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, East Tennessee Room, 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 25
“You are the Art” – A Women’s History Month Event. Pam Murray, B.A., M.B.A., local artist and self-awareness guide, guides participants through focusing on how they are both being art and becoming art, being and becoming the creative expression of themselves no matter what it is someone is doing. Reservations are required. Sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center. See article pages 1-2.
LOCATION & TIME: Women’s Resource Center, Campus Center Building, room 220, noon.

Tuesday, April 1
TAKE BACK THE NIGHT Candlelight Vigil - Honoring Survivors of Sexual Violence. A brief program of music and thoughtful reflection that celebrates the resiliency of survivors. Sponsored by OASIS (Outreach and Advocacy Sexuality Information for Students), Buctainment, ETSU Counseling Center, and Women’s Resource Center. See article page 2.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, Cave Patio, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 2
“Isínífhil: Island of Destiny” – A Women’s History Month Program. Dublin-born performer Clare Murphy performs her one-woman show. Murphy’s repertoire of tales and shows includes myth, legend, folklore, fables, contemporary personal tales, and original stories. Sponsored by ETSU’s Storytelling Program, SGA BucFund, and Women’s Resource Center. See article pages 1-2.
LOCATION & TIME: Bud Frank Theatre, Gilbreath Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 3
Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®. The inaugural International Men’s March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence on the ETSU campus. Please Note: A registration fee is not required for 2014, only a rental fee of $7 for shoes ($10 on the day of the march). Sponsors for this event include OASIS, SACETN (Sexual Assault Center of East Tennessee), Kappa Delta, Earth Fare, Basler CPA, Planned Parenthood, and Women’s Resource Center. See article pages 2-3.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, Cave Patio, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 10
“Unbreakable Threads” – A Civility Week Special Event. A screening of the ground-breaking documentary film that surrounds the controversy of same-sex families raising children at a time when laws and views on the topic are rapidly changing. The screening will be followed by a reception and talk-back session with Summers as well as one of the couples profiled in the film. Lead sponsor is ETSU’s Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Gender and Diversity Studies. See article page 3.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, Martha Street Culp Auditorium, 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16
Book Review Group. Participants will meet to discuss The Husband’s Secret by Liane Moriarty. New readers welcome.
LOCATION & TIME: Women’s Resource Center, Campus Center Building, room 220, noon.

Wednesday, April 16
ETSU Staff Woman of the Year Award Ceremony and Reception – A Special Event Program. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend this award ceremony recognizing the accomplishments of one of ETSU’s extraordinary staff women. Sponsored by the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee, ETSU Staff Senate, Office of Equity and Diversity, and Women’s Resource Center. See article page 3.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, East Tennessee Room, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 21
Book Review Group. Participants will meet to discuss The Other Typist by Suzanne Rindell. New readers welcome.
LOCATION & TIME: Women’s Resource Center, Campus Center Building, room 220, noon.

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
Tuesday, April 1 through Thursday, April 3, 2014

Tuesday, April 1 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 3 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Location: D.P. Culp University Center,
Pedestrian Mall

The Clothesline Project is a visual campaign. As part of TAKE BACK THE NIGHT 2014, bear witness to Violence Against Women by telling your story, the story of someone you know, or by simply making a statement on a t-shirt of your own. Hang your shirt – add your voice to the Clothesline.

Take Back the Night is sponsored by OASIS. For more information, contact Kate Emmerich, ETSU Counseling Center, at 423-439-4841 or email oasis@etsu.edu.

Spring Break is March 10-14, 2014. Classes are not in session; administrative offices remain open.

ETSU will be closed Monday, May 26, 2014, in observance of Memorial Day.