

## Education Fair coming to David Lam Campus

Get ready for the Education Fair at the David Lam Campus. The day will begin at 10am with tours for VIP guests and an opening ceremony for the new Health Sciences Centre. The speeches will be followed by a procession – led by our very own Director of Facilities Services Terry Leonard in full piper regalia – to the new building where a ribbon-cutting and plaque-unveiling will take place. The festivities continue until 8pm with displays and activities.

“We’re expecting large crowds, so participants are working hard to ensure their displays and activities will impress and educate,” says Blaine Jensen, VP Educational Services. “Every program and service based at the David Lam Campus is participating, and we encourage everyone from the New Westminster Campus to join in the fun as well.”

Nursing and Animal Health Technology are just two of the programs participating in the Education Fair. Here’s a sneak peek at the activities they have planned for visitors:

“It talks, it bleeds, it breathes. It’s METi-Man, a lifelike computerized mannequin that can simulate a variety of health challenges. See nursing education in action within our Health Science Simulation Resource Centre. Find out how nurses are prepared to work in their field.”

“Visit Critical Care Fluffy, a lifelike cat model used to teach emergency and nursing procedures in the Animal Health Technology program. Scrub in and help keep Fluffy calm as veterinary nursing students administer CPR, draw blood, inject medicine, insert a catheter and prepare her for anaesthesia.”



Health Sciences students will be on hand during the Education Fair to show visitors some of the new technology featured in the labs.



New Faculty Emeriti Carol Howorth, Faculty of Child, Family & Community Studies, Raymond Brookes, Faculty of Commerce & Business Administration and Roberta Bend, Faculty of Health Sciences. Not shown: Dr. Terry Farrell, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences.

## Faculty Emeritus status awarded at February Board meeting

Four retired faculty members received Faculty Emeritus status this year, bringing the number of Faculty Emeriti at Douglas College to 18. The new recipients are Roberta Bend, Faculty of Health Sciences; Raymond Brookes, Faculty of Commerce & Business Administration; Dr. Terry Farrell, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences and Carol Howorth, Faculty of Child, Family & Community Studies.

These outstanding faculty members have been nominated by their peers for their excellence in teaching or related work, for their contribution to their discipline or area, for their contribution to the College, and for their desire to continue to participate in College activities.

## Theatre to be renamed for late avid arts patron

On March 14 the Performing Arts Theatre will be re-christened the Laura C. Muir Performing Arts Theatre. Muir was a relative of a current Douglas College staff member whose family has established an endowment fund in memory of this remarkable woman. The fund will be used to create an annual award for Theatre, Stagecraft and Music students.

During her life Muir was an avid patron of the arts and oversaw the production of numerous theatre productions in the communities where she lived and worked. She was also a strong believer in the value of education. She held a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Saskatchewan, a Bachelor of Literary Interpretation from Emerson College in Boston and a Masters Degree in Speech Pathology from Washington State University. In 1954 she graduated from United College in Winnipeg and became one of the first women ordained in the United Church of Canada. She taught speech therapy at Mount Royal College in Calgary before becoming an associate professor in education at the University of Calgary, where she worked until her retirement in 1978. Muir died last year at the age of 93.

The naming ceremony takes place Friday, March 14 from 2:15-3:15pm in the Theatre foyer. Everyone is invited to this special event. Please RSVP to Angela Hubert at local 5723.

## Douglas students support a hot ticket

Everyone is invited to join students of the Hotel and Restaurant Management (HORM) Program at a dinner and dance fundraiser at Coquitlam’s Town Centre Fire Station on March 28.

The event is the Mayor’s Ball, honouring Coquitlam Mayor Maxine Wilson and raising money for the BC Professional Firefighters Burn Fund and HORM student support.

For more information and tickets email [rowes@douglas.bc.ca](mailto:rowes@douglas.bc.ca) or call 604-777-6233.

# Events Calendar

**March 4**  
Literature Alive presents  
Novelist Todd Babiak  
6:30pm, Room 1808, New  
Westminster Campus

**March 4**  
Aboriginal Reconciliation  
Speaker's Series presents  
Tony Penikett, 2:30pm, Room  
1606

**March 6-24**  
The Amelia Douglas Gallery  
presents, *Celebrating 100 Theatre &  
Stagecraft Productions*. For Gallery  
times call 604-527-5723

**March 7-15**  
The Departments of Theatre and  
Stagecraft present, *Lysistrata* by  
Aristophanes, Studio Theatre  
Tickets and info: 604-527-5488

## Gaining funding and awareness

Richard Gale has made 15 Douglas College faculty members very happy by helping them win grants through the Vice President Education and Scholarly Activity offices.

The projects ranged widely, "from examining the role of debate in students' development of confidence and competency in writing courses, to active learning strategies in communications courses, to fear of mathematics in science courses," says Gale.

The departments involved were equally diverse, from Sociology and Anthropology to Sport Science, to Psychiatric Nursing. The common thread? "All of them are interested in learning more about how students learn. And all of them have very big goals," says Gale.

The main challenges in the grants application process are "the culture of grantsmanship and the time required to make the case," particularly for those with heavy teaching loads, says Gale.

"Traditionally the colleges have been excluded from a lot of funding opportunities. We are trying to rectify that," he adds.

Chalk this up as just the latest achievement for Gale, the College's Visiting Scholar for 2007-2008. He was recently elected as the BC representative to the Board of Directors for the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Development.

Gale has also been busy on the media circuit, talking about Douglas College on radio talk shows and in editorials.

"It shows how seriously Douglas College is about teaching and learning," says Gale.

Meanwhile, learning will play a key role in the third annual Celebration of Teaching, Learning, Program Innovation and Scholarly Activity being held May 15. Everyone is invited to attend this special event, 4-6 pm in the upper cafeteria at the New Westminster Campus, which will feature displays of student and faculty work, an awards presentation, refreshments and music.

For more information on grant activities contact Richard Gale at [galer@douglas.bc.ca](mailto:galer@douglas.bc.ca). For more information on the May 15 event contact Lauren Dailey at 604-527-5491.

## Douglas research symposium connecting with the community

Tom Whalley says a two-day national symposium on community based research (CBR) will "demystify research" for social service agencies, students and instructors.

"We are providing an environment where no question is a dumb question," says Whalley, Douglas College's Scholarly Activity Coordinator and the organizer behind Conversations on Community Based Research: Engaging Communities with College Faculty and Students. The symposium takes place May 8-9 at the Health Sciences Building and launches the new Centre for Health and Community Partnerships on the David Lam campus.

CBR is a relatively new type of research, which fits well with

the traditional partnering of colleges with the community through student work placements, says Whalley. Currently, Douglas College has formal partnerships to conduct joint research with PLEA, a community based organization helping children, youth, adults and families and the McCreary Centre Society, a non-profit organization concerned with the health of young people in BC.

"Agreements like this will lead to an expansion of this type of research," says Whalley.

The conference will introduce key players to one another and increase the profile of CBR. Already, the Council of Senior Citizens Organizations (COSCO), the BC Injury Research and Prevention Unit, The Women's Health Network and Literacy BC are expected

to attend, along with other organizations from across Canada.

Whalley notes CBR is important in the health care sector, where it is used often. A key sponsor of the conference is the Canadian Council on Learning's Health and Learning Knowledge Centre.

For more information on program contents and call for proposals, contact Tom Whalley at 604-527-5818 or [whalleyt@douglas.bc.ca](mailto:whalleyt@douglas.bc.ca). Register with Patricia O'Hagan at 604-777-6528 or [ohaganp@douglas.bc.ca](mailto:ohaganp@douglas.bc.ca). For help with proposal writing, contact Marina Niks at [MNiks@thehub.literacy.bc.ca](mailto:MNiks@thehub.literacy.bc.ca).

## College hosts Winter Graduation Ceremonies

Douglas College hosted Winter graduation ceremonies at the New Westminster Campus on February 12, bringing together graduates, family members, friends and College employees for this special day. This year, over 500 students graduated in over 58 programs, while 91 students were eligible to receive Gold

Cord Awards for placing in the top 10 percent of their class.

Two valedictorians, one for each ceremony, represented all students as they talked about their experiences at Douglas College and what the future might hold. They were Teresa Mclellan, Associate Degree

in Arts, and Sarah Hanson, Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing.

To see more photos of our graduates, please see the link to the photo album on the College web site under Our Community.



(Above l-r) Tuesday Shaw, Health Care Support Worker graduate; Patricia Juvik, Health Care Support Worker instructor; Sinja Park, Home Support/Resident Care graduate; and Dianne Maxwell, Health Care Support Worker instructor.

(l to r) Robert Thornton, Commerce and Business Administration graduate, and Ana Penate, Arts graduate.

**March 11**  
Aboriginal Reconciliation  
Speaker's Series presents Eldon  
Yellowhorn, 2:30pm, Room 1606

**March 12-14**  
Douglas College Career Fair  
New Westminster and David Lam  
Campuses

**March 14**  
Naming ceremony for the Laura  
C Muir Performing Arts Theatre,  
2:15-3:15pm, Theatre foyer  
Info: 604-527-5723

**March 15-22**  
The Departments of Theatre  
and Stagecraft present, *Dracula*  
by Steven Dietz, Performing  
Arts Theatre, tickets and info:  
604-527-5488

**March 18**  
Aboriginal Reconciliation  
Speaker's Series presents, Jessie  
Sutherland, 2:30pm, Room 1606

**March 19**  
Literature Alive presents, Poet  
Catherine Owen, 10am, Room  
B2030, DLC

**March 20**  
The Arts at One presents, *Student  
Showcase*, 1pm, Performing Arts  
Theatre



*Lysistrata's Myrrhine (Cara Bateman) playfully denies husband Kinesias (Peter Simone).*



*Everyone's favorite bloodsucker (David Quast) with main squeezes Mina Murray (Becca Strom) and Lucy Westenra (Clarissa Long).*

## Sex, Blood and Gummy Teeth

Don't be surprised if wandering the hallways, you bump into a giant phallus or a bloodthirsty vampire in the next couple of weeks. It's all part of the grand lead-up to the Stagecraft and Theatre departments' 99th and 100th productions, *Lysistrata* and *Dracula* respectively.

The costumed first-year students will ensure everyone on campus knows about these significant productions, says Theatre Coordinator Allan Lysell, also *Dracula's* director. In addition to handing out pamphlets, the vampires will be giving away candy gummy teeth. And February 21, College blood donors were given free tickets to *Dracula*.

Blood drives and gummy teeth seem like natural tools to promote the classic play about everyone's favourite bloodsucker. But where do the penis costumes come in? *Lysistrata* features the ultimate battle of the sexes. The women, fed up with warring between Sparta and Athens, tell the men they will be cut off from conjugal relations until a peace treaty is signed.

Though *Lysistrata* is a comedy more than 2,000 years old, it highlights serious issues about war that are still relevant today.

"This war is taking away these women's lovers, husbands, children, youth and all their vital energy," says director Thrasso Petras.

*Dracula* too offers more than the frightening and magical aspects it's well-known for. "The central theme is people need to have their ability to believe challenged. Some things are real even if you don't think so. Bad things happen in Darfur even if you don't believe it," says Lysell.

*Lysistrata* runs from March 7-15 at the Studio Theatre. *Dracula* plays March 15-22 at the Performing Arts Theatre. For more information and tickets contact 604-527-5488.

## Ambassadors needed

With the start of a new year, the Office for New Students is once again looking for new Ambassadors to represent the outstanding programs at Douglas College. The inaugural of Ambassadors recently celebrated the completion of one year together on campus. In that time, these young leaders designed and produced a wide range of high-profile orientation and student life activities for the entire campus community.

"Some of their more notable accomplishments include planting 4,500 mini chocolate eggs during the 'Easter Eggstravaganza,' and photographing more than 150 students in costume for the 'Halloween Scream' event," says Eric Glanville, Student Development Coordinator in the Office for New Students.

Student Ambassadors also help promote College programs at career and community fairs and have co-facilitated a number of team-building sessions for students at local high-schools. This has helped to bring added value to the community and establish Douglas College as a recognized centre for student leadership excellence. Equally important, the Student Ambassador program enables participants to develop strong leadership, event management, marketing and communication skills that will continue to serve them long after graduation.

If you know someone who would make a good Student Ambassador, please encourage them to apply to the program by March 14.

For more information about the Ambassador program or to apply, please contact Eric Glanville at 604-527-5814, or visit [douglascollege.ca/studentambassadors](http://douglascollege.ca/studentambassadors).

# Events Calendar

## March 27

The Arts at One presents Douglas College Concert Band and Douglas College Choral Ensemble, Blair Fisher and Eric Hannan, Directors. 1pm, Performing Arts Theatre

## March 27–May 9

The Amelia Douglas Gallery presents *Colour as Vibration*, works by Leon Phillips. Opening Reception March 27, 4:30–7:30pm. For Gallery times call 604-527-5723

## March 30

The Music Department presents Annual Scholarship Benefit Concert featuring the Douglas College Chorus and Chorale and Douglas College Concert Band, 7:30pm, Performing Arts Theatre, Info: 604-527-5723, Admission \$10 general; \$5 students, seniors & alumni, Douglas College students free - Tickets at the door

## March 31

Douglas College Music Department presents *An Evening of Jazz*, 7:30pm, Performing Arts Theatre. Info: 604-527-5723 Admission: \$10 general, \$5 students, seniors & alumni Douglas College students free - Tickets at door



(l-r): Douglas College Board Vice Chair Anne Kitching; Coquitlam Mayor Maxine Wilson; New Westminster Mayor Wayne Wright; VP Educational Services and Master of Ceremonies Blaine Jensen; Chief Rhonda Larrabee; The Honourable Steven L. Point; Chief Leah George-Wilson; Alan McMillan; President Susan Witter; and John McCandless.

## Speaker's Series a success

The Aboriginal Reconciliation Speaker's Series began Tuesday, February 26 with opening remarks by the Honourable Steven L. Point, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia and a panel featuring Chief Rhonda Larrabee, Qayqayt First Nations, Chief Leah George-Wilson, Tsleil-Waututh Nation, John McCandless, Executive Director of the People Together Foundation and Alan McMillan, Faculty Emeritus, Department of Anthropology.

Other speakers are featured throughout March; see the Events listing in this newsletter or visit [douglascollege.ca/services/aboriginal.html](http://douglascollege.ca/services/aboriginal.html) for details.

## Honours for hardwood hero

Douglas College's Andrew Sturgeon is BC's premier post-secondary male basketball star.

The senior Royals' forward received the Premier's Athlete Award from Premier Gordon Campbell in Vancouver last month. The awards are presented to college and university athletes eligible for educational-assistance funding, with one male and female winning in each sport.

During the past year, the 6-foot-5, 225-pound Sturgeon has earned a dozen individual and team honors – from BC Collegiate Male Athlete of the Year to All-Canadian to national collegiate athlete of the month. His major priority, however, is achieving team success as the Royals pursue the national title after losing last year's championship game.



Royal's Andrew Sturgeon drives down the court.

"I'm really excited about the opportunity to do that. It would mean a lot since last year we came so close and lost in the final," says Sturgeon. "Losing like that leaves a rotten taste in your mouth."

## Briefly

Everyone is invited to celebrate International Women's Day on Thursday, March 6. The Women's Centre is planning an exciting program for the annual dinner celebrating the achievements of the women's movement for equality and justice. An entertaining program of music, drama and comedy and a delicious dinner are promised. Tickets are available in the Women's Centre, room 2840 or in the concourse.

Calling all artists! Design the Douglas College 2008 National Aboriginal Day Logo with a special mention of BC's 150th anniversary. Submissions due March 14. The winning design will be announced April 9. For more information, contact **Priscilla, Yasmin** or **Angela** at Aboriginal Student Services at 5123.

Psychology Laboratory Technician **Lisa Colling** proves good things come in threes. She and husband Daniel Turner welcomed son Griffin Frederick Turner-Colling, born Feb 4 at Royal Columbian Hospital. Colling recently received the 2007

Certificate of Achievement from the Canadian Psychological Association for her Masters thesis. And Colling's paper, *Thinking Beyond Borders: Acculturation Redefined*, has been accepted for presentation at the upcoming Humanities and Social Sciences Congress being held at UBC this May and June.

History Instructor **Jeff Schutts** did some serious multitasking while on parental leave last year. He had a chapter, "Die erfrischende Pause: Marketing Coca-Cola in Hitler's Germany," in *Selling Modernity: Advertising in Twentieth-Century Germany*. This semester he is presenting three papers: one on Billy Wilder's 1961 film comedy, *One, Two, Three* at a conference on Berlin, Divided City at the University of Texas-Austin; one on the GI Movement against the Vietnam War at a conference marking the 40th anniversary of 1968 at Vassar College; and one on two generations of U.S. "war resisters" pursuing the American Dream north of the border, at a Canada as Refuge conference at the

University of Edinburgh. The Canadian Studies Centre there will be screening *Breaking Ranks*, the recent NFB documentary on U.S. soldiers seeking Canadian sanctuary from the Iraq War, directed by his wife, Michelle Mason.

Anthropology and Sociology Chair **Marni Westerman** has successfully defended her doctoral dissertation. Titled *Tempered Radicals and Porous Boundaries*, it examines recent changes to harassment and discrimination policies and the consequences on the work of anti-harassment practitioners in Canadian universities.

Catch music instructor and flautist **Kathryn Cernauskas** in performances this month. She performs in Echos Fideles featuring the Tempest Flute Choir on March 14 at noon at Sinclair Centre Atrium (757 W. Hastings St.). Entry is free. She also performs in Mined Over Matter taking place March 16 at 2pm at the British Columbia Museum of Mining (located on the Sea to Sky Highway, 99 North, Britannia Beach). Entry is free, but space is limited, so

call 604-815-4073 or toll-free 866-640-9881 to book seats.

It's official: Child, Family and Community Studies has moved. You'll now find it in the 2600 area.

Employees are invited to attend this month's Occupational Health & Safety Committee meetings. The New Westminster OH committee meets March 12, 2-3:30pm in the boardroom. The David Lam committee meets March 31, noon-1:30 in the DLC boardroom.

ESL Instructor **Sheilagh Badanic** is collecting donations for Women's Information and Safe House (WISH), an organization assisting women in the Downtown Eastside. Clean clothing, including outer wear like hats, gloves, coats, shoes and boots are needed. Linens, umbrellas, and makeup and toiletries (new or gently used) are also welcome. Call Badanic at 5599 or email [badanic@douglas.bc.ca](mailto:badanic@douglas.bc.ca) to arrange a pick-up.

The Registrar's Office extends

its congratulations to recent Douglas College graduates: **Martha Kyle** with a Certificate in General Business and **Stefanie Carter** with a Diploma in General Studies.

Douglas College has a new Researcher in Residence. **Marina Niks** will be assisting all College departments during her one-year tenure.

The Centre for Educational and Information Technology welcomes **Thomas Meller** as a Programmer/Analyst, replacing **Nilofar Torabi**, who has resigned.

In Commerce and Business, **Kelly Blackburn** moves to regular Co-operative Placement Officer from auxiliary in Site Services.

The Finance department's **Rimple Chahal** moves from auxiliary to regular as Accounts Payable Clerk, replacing **Jin Kajwara** who moves to Budget Analyst.

**Lori Kittelberg** joins the Communications and Marketing Office as a new Writer/Media Specialist. She is the INside editor and can be reached with story ideas at [kittelbergl@douglas.bc.ca](mailto:kittelbergl@douglas.bc.ca).