

E-COMMUNICATOR NO. 12
VANDERBILT DIVINITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2007

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, January 22

TUESDAY, January 23

11:13 a.m. - noon UMSA Worship Service

All Faith Chapel

12:30 Ecumenical mid-day prayer

Benton Chapel

WEDNESDAY, January 24

10:10 a.m. Weekly Worship Service

All Faith Chapel

THURSDAY, January 25

7:30 a.m. Community Breakfast - Professor Ellen Armour

Refectory (details below)

FRIDAY, January 26

10:10 a.m. Coffee Hour

Common Room

SATURDAY, January 27

***** *Vanderbilt University Divinity School invites you to a*

Community Breakfast

Thursday, January 25, 2007

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

The Refectory Vanderbilt Divinity School

Featuring Professor Ellen Armour

"Visual Politics: The Abu Ghraib Photographs "

Breakfast \$10 Reservations Necessary

Please RSVP to (615) 936-8453 or register online at www.vanderbilt.edu/divinity (click "Events")
by January 19, 2007

Prof. Armour's presentation, related to her current book project tentatively titled *Signs and Wonders: Theology after Modernity*, will diagnose and craft a theological response to the shifts in our understanding of "man" and "his" others (sexed, raced, disabled, animal, and divine) as modernity declines.

Vanderbilt University Divinity School and Scarritt-Bennett Center
Relevant Religion Series

January 29, February 5, 12, and 19, 2007, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

"Situating the Self: Finding A Common Horizon"

Herbert R. Marbury, Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible

Over the last two decades, African American and other voices have joined the conversation in biblical interpretation with increasing volume. As these voices raise questions of equity from their own social locations, they oftentimes find themselves in opposition to more established and accepted interpretive traditions. This four-part seminar will explore some key interpretations from other(ed) voices to appraise what value they have for the life of the Church and the work of the Academy.

Location

Scarritt-Bennett Center

Laskey Building

1008 19th Avenue South

Nashville, TN 37212

Information and Online Registration

http://www.vanderbilt.edu/divinity/rel_religion.html

<http://www.scarrittbennett.org/programs/calendar.aspx>

(615) 936-8453

Cost

\$50 per person

CEUs available

Project Safe Calendar of Events

January - February 2007

"Facebook in the Age of Cyberstalking"

What: An open discussion delving into our fast-paced, expanding internet communities and their impact on our lives, safety, and identity.

When: January 24th @ 6:00 p.m.

Where: Margaret Cuninggim Women's Center Gallery

For more information please contact kacy.silverstein@vanderbilt.edu or for directions to the Women's Center visit

www.vanderbilt.edu/WomensCenter

"Nightmare on Stalker Street"

What: Presentation by stalking victim and survivor Amy Hillman. Amy will tell her own story and offer information and statistics on stalking

When: January 30th @ 7:00 p.m.

Where: Wilson 115

For more information or directions to the event please contact

kacy.silverstein@vanderbilt.edu

"V-DAY: Until the Violence Stops"

What: Documentary film highlighting the rise of V-DAY and The Vagina Monologues around the world!

When: February 6th @ 6:00 p.m.

Where: Furman 114

For more information or directions to the event please contact

kacy.silverstein@vanderbilt.edu

The 2007 College Campaign Production of The Vagina Monologues

What: Eve Ensler's award winning play (www.vday.org <<http://www.vday.org/>>). All proceeds benefit a local organization working to stop violence against women.

When: February 11, 13, & 14 @ 7:00 p.m.

Where: Sarratt Cinema

Tickets: Tickets may be purchased for \$12.00 at the Sarratt Cinema box office (Vandy Card, Cash, or Check) or by will call at 322-1333.

For more information please contact vicky.basra@vanderbilt.edu or

kacy.silverstein@vanderbilt.edu

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The CSRC University Seminar for January will be "Religion and Comparative Allegory" a lecture by Anthony Yu Thursday, January 25, in G27 Divinity, at 4 p.m.

The Religion and Literature research group of the CSRC, with the support of several departments and the U Lectures Committee is sponsoring a visit to campus of Anthony Yu, Carl Darling Buck Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Humanities and Professor Emeritus of Religion and Literature (U. of Chicago, U. of Chicago Divinity School).

Yu will be lecturing on "Religion and Comparative Allegory" on Thursday, January 25, in G27 Divinity, at 4 p.m., with a reception to follow in Tillett Lounge. Please encourage your students and colleagues to come, and do come yourselves!

On Friday, January 25, at 7:30 a.m., Yu will also lead a seminar over breakfast in Buttrick 162.

The subject will be trends in the field of religion and literature, and copies of a text on that topic from the Encyclopedia of Religion, written by Yu, will be available in the CSRC from January 10 on for you to pick up. Faculty and graduate students are invited to come, but PLEASE make a reservation with Pat Ward by January 23, (patricia.a.ward@vanderbilt.edu)

Yu is noted as an expert on East-West literary relations and is viewed as an early figure in the field of religion and literature in this country (*Morphologies of Faith*). He is noted for his translation of the early Chinese novel, *Journey to the West*, and he continues to write (e.g. *Rereading the Novel: Desire and the Making of Fiction in 'Dream of the Red Chamber'* (2000), *Women Writers of Traditional China: An Anthology of Poetry and Criticism* (2000), *State and Religion in China* (2004). While at Chicago, where he also served as Dean of the Divinity School, Yu also taught in Comparative Literature and East Asian Studies, and for the Committee on Social Thought, in addition to Religion and Humanities. He continues to teach there part-time.

If you have information/announcements to be included in the E-Communicator please email the information to sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu All information must be received by noon on Thursday for the following week's E-Communicator.