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Campus Update session

The next campus update session, hosted by Vice-President Academic Valerie Kuehne, takes place on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m., in the David Lam Auditorium (MacLaurin A144). This session will feature presentations by Kuehne and Vice-President Finance and Operations Gayle Gorrill on the planning and budget framework for 2016/17 which was recently approved by the Board of Governors (see page 2) as well as updates on ongoing university activities.

COMMUNITY RESEARCH

SSHRC Storytellers video

On April 4, SSHRC announced this year's Top 25 finalists—including UVic's Jon Weller (history)—in its annual "Storytellers" challenge, which seeks to recognize the best in research communication by post-secondary students. Finalists were selected from among nearly 200 entries. The contest was launched in 2013, with UVic students winning finalist spots in three of the four years. Video: bit.ly/weller-16



Cook, with visual arts students and the pole he's dedicating to missing and murdered Indigenous women. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

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Raising awareness with class and art

BY JOHN THRELFALL

One of the best things about an annual guest teaching position is the diversity it offers students. Now in its sixth year in the visual arts department, the Audain Professorship of Contemporary Art Practice of the Pacific Northwest has benefited from a variety of approaches and practices by previous professors—including the likes of Governor General's Award-winner Rebecca Belmore. But Rande Cook has one unique aspect not shared by his forerunners: he is the first Audain professor to represent a Vancouver Island nation.

Cook, a contemporary multi-discipli-

nary artist with a studio in Victoria's Rock Bay district, is also chief of the 'Namgis nation, which spans northern Vancouver Island and Queen Charlotte Strait. "The chief's role is to make sure his people are fed in all ways—metaphorically and otherwise—and I take that into my everyday practice, my life as an artist," he explains. "How I interact with the community is the same as what I do at home. Even teaching this course involves all of my belief systems, making sure people feel whole."

Cook wanted to do more than just teach art, however; he was also keen to raise student awareness about current issues in Canadian First Nations politics. "I wanted

to design a course around the work I'm doing right now, which means looking at the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, the murdered and missing Indigenous women, Idle No More, the REDress project, the round dance movement . . . about healing and bridging," he says.

No easy task, given that his third- and fourth-year students came from a variety of backgrounds—none of which included a First Nation. "I pushed them to think about the relationship we play within all of this—not just as First Nations but Canadians as a whole—and then to consider how

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Celebrating exceptional staff — 2016 President's Distinguished Service Awards



Vikes CARSA Implementation Team. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

BY JOANNE MCGACHIE

The celebration of this year's President's Distinguished Service Award recipients, hosted by President Jamie Cassels, took place on March 31 at the University Club. Before the recipients were named, Valerie Kuehne, UVic's vice-president academic and provost, recognized and congratulated all those who had been nominated.

"This year there were 22 nominations for individual awards and four nominations for the Team Award for Innovation," she said. "It may sound cliché to say that it is an honour to be nominated, but in the case of this awards program, it is very true. By nominating you for one of these awards, your colleagues are saying that they think a great deal of you and your commitment to UVic. That is something of which to be

truly proud."

"I'm delighted to celebrate the 2015 PDSA recipients and nominees," said Cassels. "As always, it was very challenging to select our award recipients—all of the nominees are deserving of recognition. I congratulate and sincerely thank each of you for your contributions and dedication to UVic."

This year, the recipient for the Excellence in Service Award is Scott Scholz (biochemistry and microbiology), while Dr. Monika Winn (Peter B. Gustavson School of Business) was presented with the Award for Excellence in Leadership. Chris Barr (chemistry) received the First Five Years—Outstanding Contribution Award. The Team Award for Innovation was presented to the Vikes CARSA Implementation Team.

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE

Scott Scholz, Biochemistry and Microbiology

Scott Scholz has recently taken on the leadership of his department's Biotechnical Support Service Centre, where he has worked for over 30 years. His team provides technical support for the department's research and teaching programs, and the role includes everything from simple computer updates to maintaining over \$25 million worth of complex, advanced systems and equipment across the entire Faculty of Science and beyond.

But it is Scholz's personal dedication

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UVic Vice-President Finance and Operations **Gayle Gorrill** was recently awarded the title of fellow by the Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia, one of the largest professional organizations in the province. The designation (FCPA, FCA) recognizes a select group of individual CPAs whose outstanding professional and community achievements have brought great distinction to their profession. Gorrill began her accounting career in 1982 and obtained her professional CA designation in 1985. Prior to joining UVic in 2006, Gorrill held executive finance positions with the Calgary Health Region and the University of Calgary. In June, she will also begin a one-year term as the president of the Canadian Association of University Business Officers (CAUBO).

Dr. Sybil Seitzinger, executive director of the UVic-hosted and led Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (PICS), has been awarded an honorary doctorate by Utrecht University in the Netherlands—one of Europe's oldest universities. The awards ceremony was held on March 29 in Domkerk Cathedral in Utrecht as part of the university's 380th-anniversary celebrations. The doctorate recognizes Seitzinger's research into the causes and consequences of global change, in particular on life in coastal waters and freshwater. Prior to joining PICS and UVic as a professor in environmental studies last November, Seitzinger was for many years director of the International Geosphere-Biosphere Program at the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, which focuses on global environmental change, including climate change.

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Board of Governors approves 2016/17 budget

The University of Victoria Board of Governors has approved a \$347.3-million balanced operating budget for 2016/17 that focuses priorities by maintaining and enhancing academic quality and building strength in recruiting and retaining the best students, faculty and staff as a leading research-intensive university.

“The university’s budget builds on providing an outstanding educational experience for our undergraduate and graduate students,” says Vice-President Academic and Provost Valerie Kuehne. “By aligning and optimizing resources, our priorities are to deliver excellence in research, scholarship and creative activity.”

In future years, the university’s Enhanced Planning Tools will also inform development of the Planning and Budgeting Framework. The new system allows greater transparency and consistency of data across all academic and administrative units and will better inform the planning process.

“UVic has developed a balanced budget that provides for financial flexibility in order to protect against

potential future financial challenges that could arise as a result of changes in student enrolment levels or from other unanticipated cost pressures or revenue changes,” says Gayle Gorrill, vice-president finance and operations.

The board’s vote on March 30 followed a discussion by members about the affordability of post-secondary education as well as ensuring the quality of our academic and research programs, and the health, safety and success of students.

Student success remains the single highest priority beginning with attracting and retaining the very best. The continued comprehensive expansion to both undergraduate and graduate scholarship programs comprises the largest single investment in the three-year plan. Additional student supports—such as student life programming, mental-health initiatives, services and supports to students with disabilities, and childcare and health services—are also priorities over the next three years.

The budget includes increases for 2016/17 in student residence fees of six per cent, except for family hous-

ing. Residence Services operates on a cost-recovery basis for construction, maintenance and operation of student housing. When compared to other universities, UVic is 30 per cent below the average cost for residence fees and is projected to be 14 per cent below at the end of a 10-year plan to address deferred maintenance. A total of \$5 million will be invested in 2016/17 to address projects such as replacing windows, roofs, interior finishes, decks, fire alarm and electrical systems, exterior repairs and various minor renovations on select residence buildings.

UVic’s new Strategic Research Plan is also being supported in this budget, including funding to begin the implementation of the plan that includes resources for animal care, Ideafest, grants facilitation and a research information system. Library acquisitions are being supported, particularly in light of escalating subscription costs for serials and journals as well as to address the reduced purchasing power of the Canadian dollar.

UVic’s total operating revenue is \$347.3 million. Student fees, both

domestic and international, have increased by two per cent, consistent with Ministry of Advanced Education policy, and contribute 37 per cent of the university’s operating revenue. Total student fees are projected to increase by \$5.5 million, the majority of which, at \$3.1 million, is related to international revenue resulting from enrolment increases that exceeded projections in 2015/16 and are now reflected in the budget plan.

Total expenditures are budgeted at \$347.3 million, with 80 per cent allocated to academic areas including faculties, libraries, student financial aid and student services, with the remainder going to facilities and support functions. Base-budget allocation priorities include \$1.32 million in funding to support increased enrolments in the faculties; learning technology; and enhanced student experience through support for the LE,NO_{NET} program, advising and counselling services.

The Planning and Budget Framework also provides funding for capital priorities and the employment equity plan.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

CUVIC conference to highlight responses to TRC calls to action

From April 27 to 29, the University of Victoria and community partners will host *CUVIC 2016: Reconciliation, Innovation and Transformation through Engagement*. The conference will showcase how UVic and the broader community are responding to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada’s (TRC) Calls to Action on the following five topics: child welfare, education, health, justice and language and culture.

More than 200 delegates are expected to attend CUVIC 2016. The conference will include a keynote by UVic Chancellor and veteran broad-

cast journalist Shelagh Rogers, as well as more than 20 breakout sessions led by local thought leaders involved in transformative reconciliation work in the five topic areas. Delegates include Indigenous community leaders and members, residential school survivors, UVic faculty and students, and community members and partners. Community-University-Victoria (CUVIC) is a biennial conference that celebrates the ways that universities and communities collaborate towards more sustainable, just and healthy communities. Register today and see the schedule at uvic.ca/cuvic2016.

UVic scientist leads new open-access chemistry journal

When the new international chemistry journal *ACS Omega* launches this summer, a longtime UVic chemist will be steering its direction.

Dr. Cornelia Bohne has been named one of four global co-editors of the new publication, which is described by the American Chemical Society (ACS) as “an open access, multidisciplinary chemistry journal publishing peer-reviewed research of broad impact from around the world.”

Bohne

Open-access journals are scholarly online publications that are available to anyone with access to the internet. They don’t require subscriptions and in most cases there are no copyright restrictions.

“*ACS Omega* will satisfy open access mandates from a range of funders and provide an authoritative home for original research articles of scientific value covering all areas of chemistry, chemical engineering and allied scientific fields,” says the ACS.

“This appointment represents global visibility for our university,” says Dr. Neil Burford, chair of UVic’s chemistry department and president of the Canadian Society of Chemistry. “ACS is a major international publisher of cutting-edge science who appoints only world-leading scientists as editors. We’re very proud of Cornelia’s achievements and this recognition of her global scientific status.”

Bohne is a world expert in supramolecular chemistry—the study of large structures held together by forces other than chemical bonds. Since joining UVic in 1992, she’s developed specialized techniques to understand the dynamics of supramolecular systems, laying the groundwork for future advances in DNA, protein and drug research.

Bohne is a native of Brazil and still actively participates in the chemistry community in South America—giving her a unique perspective of scientific activities and issues spanning both continents.

“It’s a big honour to be chosen,” she says. “The concept of open access is the future. There are enormous challenges in the changing landscape of scientific publishing and I’m excited to have a leading role in this project.”



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2016 Provost's Engaged Scholars

BY JOY POLIQUIN

Dr. Jessica Ball (child and youth care) and Dr. John Lutz (history) have been named the 2016 recipients of the Provost’s Engaged Scholar Award. This is the third year for the annual awards program, which celebrates the integration of outstanding scholarship, inspired teaching and real-life community engagement. It recognizes tenured faculty members who have achieved great distinction as community-engaged scholars.

Vice-President Academic and Provost Valerie Kuehne congratulated the recipients of the award. “Jessica Ball and John Lutz embody what it is to be a community-engaged scholar at UVic,” she said. “They are both passionate about combining research, service and community partnerships to lead to positive societal change.”

This year’s awards were presented on March 10. Ball and Lutz were conferred the title of University of Victoria Engaged Scholar, which will be held for a period of five years and may be renewed after that time. They also each received a one-time award of \$10,000 to support their research, teaching and community involvement.

Dr. Jessica Ball

For more than 30 years, Ball has been renowned on campus as a scholar with an outstanding record of groundbreaking research topics and methods, research-inspired teaching and creative knowledge mobilization in the service of Indigenous and ethnic minority communities in Canada and around the world.

After joining UVic’s School of Child and Youth Care 20 years ago, Ball established the Early Childhood Development Intercultural Partnerships program. Through community-university research partnerships, Ball studies how policies and social processes marginalize certain children and families as well as ways to promote more equitable opportunities for quality of life. She includes production of accessible print and digital media into all her projects so that research findings, in her words, “have legs” in communities and with policy makers. Ball is well-known internationally



Ball (left) and her colleague Khin Mar Aung from Myanmar. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

as a leader in research, knowledge dissemination and policy work on multilingualism and gender equity in early childhood development. In Canada, she conducted the first and only study on the experiences, goals and needs of Indigenous fathers in Canada as part of a national SSHRC-funded study involving 50 community partners. She was a co-investigator of a SSHRC-funded project where she partnered with five First Nations to determine culturally safe and valid approaches to developmental screening and assessment. She was also a Director of the First Nations Partnership Program, which delivered child and youth care courses in First Nations communities and incorporated Elders’ teachings.

A standout scholar, Ball has published over 120 peer-reviewed publications and delivered over 100 conference presentations, keynotes, addresses and workshops related to community-engaged research.

Known as a responsive and collaborative resource for Indigenous communities across the country, Ball is described by Dr. Onowa McIvor, director of Indigenous education in the Faculty of Education, as “highly respected among Indigenous faculty and students at UVic . . . for her demonstrations of how university-based scholars can do meaningful research with Indigenous communities in a good way.”

Dr. John Lutz

A professor of history at UVic since 1997, Lutz is an expert in the study of

Indigenous-settler relations in the Pacific Northwest and has played a lead role in digitization projects related to this period. He is widely recognized as an innovative contributor not only to community and archives-based research in the aforementioned areas but also to the fields of digital history, community mapping and oral history.

Lutz approaches his research from a decentered perspective by working closely with Indigenous communities to document Indigenous views of colonial events and to unpack the historical significance of communicative acts, language and events.

As the author of the award-winning *Makuk: A New History of Aboriginal-White Relations*, Lutz conducted more than 45 interviews and performed extensive archival research. The book is recognized as a significant resource for its perspective on how Canada’s Indigenous peoples fell from prosperity to poverty. As a participant in the Coasts Under Stress research initiative he worked with the Hartley Bay and Alert Bay communities and co-edited the volume *Making and Moving Knowledge: Interdisciplinary and Community-based Research in a World on the Edge*.

In 1998, Lutz co-founded the Ethnohistory Field School in collaboration with the Stó:lō First Nation in the Fraser Valley. Every second year, he travels to Stó:lō territory with a group of history graduate students to work on research projects identified by the Stó:lō. Students say their experiences at this field school are



Lutz at the Royal BC Museum. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

deeply transformative. Now jointly offered as a graduate course by the Stó:lō Nation, UVic and the University of Saskatchewan, the field school was recently selected by the Society for Applied Anthropology to receive their prestigious Robert A. Hackenberg Memorial Award. This award normally goes to an Indigenous scholar, but this year the prize committee wanted to recognize an exemplary community-based project in which students play a key role.

Additionally, Lutz is known for using the web to make historical resources available to the public—he is co-founder and co-director of the Great Unsolved Mysteries in Canadian History project, and was instrumental in the digitization of the British Colonist archive, the historical treasure trove of the Colonial Despatches project and A City Goes to War website about Victoria in WWI.

Lutz has served as principal investigator on more than a dozen national, federal and locally funded research projects that explore the innovative combination of historical research, community-based fieldwork and new computer technology, often working with local groups to create websites that illustrate local histories of Victoria, Vancouver Island and BC.

Lutz is currently chair of UVic’s Department of History and also served as acting director of the former Office of Community-Based Research at UVic from 2010–12, where he applied his community-based engagement skills to a range of projects.

around the ring

Academic leadership across disciplines

UVic’s global leadership in five key academic fields, along with its comprehensive span of world-class programs across the university, were highlighted with the release of the 2016 QS World University Rankings by Subject on March 22. The five fields where UVic is ranked in the world’s top 200 are:

- Earth and marine sciences
- English language and literature
- Geography
- Law
- Philosophy

In addition, UVic programs in computer science, education, electrical engineering, environmental sciences, mathematics, and physics and astronomy placed in the top 300 for global subject leadership. QS scored the university for world-class performance in 35 of the 42 fields it considers. (Most of the rest—including dentistry, pharmacology and veterinary sciences—are fields in which UVic doesn’t have established programs.)

Enhanced Planning tool launch a success

UVic’s Enhanced Planning Tools program, which provides a new resource for organizational forecasting and decision making, launched in February with 136 academic and business units completing the inaugural round of data collection. The two-year process of devising, testing and adopting the innovative software system—developed by UVic IT Services—enjoyed a smooth rollout, says Sarah Blackstone, special projects advisor to the provost and vice-president academic office. The new software reporting and recording system will help decision-makers in academic, administrative and support units achieve their goals and set new directions. “We’ll be looking to refine some questions, provide clarity and refresh the central database as soon as possible,” says Blackstone. Mid-August is the target date for data updates to begin and the system will reopen for editing by units in late August. The process is already paying dividends in three areas: research, diversity and human resources planning.

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we express that through art,” he says.

The resulting student work will now be on view at CUVIC from April 27–29—which seems apt, given the conference’s focus on reconciliation, innovation and transformation through engagement. “The whole class has been about peeling those layers and exploring these issues, then piecing it back together.”

Cook also brought Indigenous teaching methods into the classroom by eschewing contemporary critiquing practices in favour of a more intimate, circle-based sharing environment. “The goal of the class is to decide how they’re going to function as artists and how to make their work authentic,” he explains. “And you can see how much they’ve grown, how

much they interact, and how they’re going to place themselves in life after this—which is all I wanted.”

While teaching at UVic, Cook is also busy in the visual arts sculpture yard carving a pole dedicated to the murdered and missing Indigenous women. “It’s a nationwide issue, even though a lot of people don’t see it as such,” he says. “There are a lot of unresolved murders from our area, but nobody really talks about them—people tend to focus more geographically on Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside or the Highway of Tears.”


As both chief and artist, Cook feels art can play an important role in the healing process. “There’s no closure when it comes to murder—especially when the victims are never found—so

I wanted to create something that stands as a monument to honour these women,” he explains. “It’s easy to talk about healing, about unity, but it’s difficult to practice that when there’s no sense of closure. So if I can put all of those different thoughts and ideas into this symbolic piece of art, it can be a way to recognize that they’re not forgotten.”

And while the future of the pole is

still being determined, Cook feels the campus would be an ideal home for the piece once it’s complete. “UVic is a place of knowledge, of learning, so why not use a monument like this for people coming from all these different areas to understand what that means? You think about healing and unity, and students and learning, and diversity and gender equality—it’s all right here.”

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Uni 101: Life-changing studies in the humanities and social sciences

BY TARA SHARPE

An introduction to poetry, the politics of the refugee crisis, functions of the immune system—these are just some of the many topics covered in Uni 101, Uni 102 and Uni 201.

The genesis of the University 101 program—which offers free, non-credit university courses to people who, for reasons of poverty, disability, single parenthood or a history of mental illness, would otherwise have no access to higher education—was sparked more than 10 years ago by a handful of UVic postdocs, and faculty members Kristin Semmens, Lynne Marks, Elizabeth Vibert and Jessica Schafer of the Dept. of History, Kari Jones from Camosun College, and local community members Darcy Merri-ck and Anthea Whittaker.

Since the Clemente course in the Humanities was first offered 20 years ago in New York City, initiatives have flourished across North America and abroad. The founding concept focused not on vocational job training, but on teaching skills in critical thinking and reflection.

More than 350 students have completed the UVic program to date, with classes averaging 30 to 35 students. Twice as many people apply as can be admitted.

The UVic program focuses on a col-laborative and democratic approach:

alumni are involved on the steering committee; some also participate in a year-long leadership program devel-oped by and for Uni 101 graduates; and others serve as volunteer facilitators in the classrooms.

“We call the student leaders ‘stu-dent liaisons,” explains Uni 101 Pro-gram Coordinator Becky Cory. “One of our participants once said, ‘Don’t call me a mentor. I don’t want to be a leader ‘above’ other people.’ That kind of critical thinking is imbued in the whole program. Then we all eat a meal together—instructors, volunteers and students. It ‘humanizes’ everyone and breaks the idea that university profes-sors are ‘above.’ Along with critical thinking, this is really what’s at the core of this program.”

Launched by the Faculty of Hu-manities in spring 2006, the program expanded to the Faculty of Social Sci-ences in spring 2007. Uni 101 studies the humanities (from Plato’s Athens to modern advertising), with classes in the fall. Uni 102 delves into the social sciences (from ethnobotany to psy-chology), with classes January through April. Uni 201 offers shorter month-long courses for Uni 101 graduates.

James Cain, a Uni 101 graduate and program volunteer, says the program has “legitimized the way I think, and my life experience. I’ve taken owner-ship of my life experience and it’s a constant evolution—thinking and



L-R: Uni 101 members Desi Sloan, Terry MacDonald, Becky Cory (program coordinator) and Alex Pitblado. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

becoming more ‘me.’”

Alex Pitblado, another program graduate and volunteer, described how a Uni 201 class on post-Refor-mation England “really resonated for me. It’s about how the British started rejecting both extremes and how the middle course is reasonable.” The class arrived at a comparison to the ancient divide between Sunnis and Shia in the history of Islam.

Vanessa Stetton, currently a Uni 102 student, says the program has been “life-changing. It’s opened up my mind to the possibilities of learning and the most important part is my confidence in myself.”

These program grads and volun-teers joined more than 150 people at the 10th anniversary celebration March 31. Opening remarks included insights from UVic Chancellor Shelagh Rogers who spoke about “bridges” instead of “walls” in the context of the theme of the evening: making knowledge accessible.

Terry MacDonald, also a program graduate and volunteer, was on the panel—alongside Stetton, Semmens and Dean of Social Sciences Catherine Krull—and reflected on an example of knowledge without walls or borders reaching deep into the community: an earlier class had explored the con-

cept of “borders” and he subsequently overheard two people theorizing on the topic about which they’d heard secondhand.

UVic professors and graduate students volunteer their time to teach and the program is funded by the university and through individual donations and in-kind sponsorship.

Meals are provided at the begin-ning of each class, and bus tickets and child care subsidies are also available to reduce material barriers to participation.

To become involved as a supporter, or to apply to Uni 101, visit [uvic.ca/ uni101](http://uvic.ca/uni101) or email uni101@uvic.ca.

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and commitment to his work that has earned him this award. Numerous individuals contributed to Scholz’s nomination package, and all of them noted his technical expertise, ingenu-ity, humour and incredible generosity of time. No matter what the hour, no matter what day it is, no matter where he might be, when help is needed, he’ll be there.

Perry Howard, chair of biochem-istry and microbiology, had this to say: “Scott is the saviour of many experiments for our faculty, staff and students. There are countless stories circulating among faculty of situations in which Scott has been called in to take over the repair of a computer that has failed utterly at exactly the wrong time or to repair a freezer full of vital samples. This frequently means that Scott will gladly stay late into the night or return to campus evenings and weekends to deal with an emergency.”

Albert Labossiere, Scholz’s former supervisor, noted: “His methodical, thorough, calm and good natured ap-proach has helped him rescue count-less department members from the depths of despair during computer crashes, and he routinely spares us all from the tedium and frustration of the endless upgrades required by a wonderful technology that also enslaves us.”

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP

Dr. Monika Winn, Business

Since arriving at UVic in 1995 as a business and strategy scholar and instructor, Dr. Monika Winn has es-tablished connections across campus, and around the world, in order to cre-ate and advance awareness of sustain-ability and social responsibility issues, within a business context.

Winn pioneered curricular in-novations by developing courses in business and sustainability at the undergrad, masters and PhD levels, which are now core requirements for most business students here at UVic. She has been one of the visionaries responsible for shifting the overall

culture of Gustavson to its current integration of, and focus on, sustain-ability and responsibility within the business environment.

Through her efforts and vision, UVic’s first intra-faculty research centre—the Centre for Social and Sustainable Innovation (CSSI)—was established in 2011, with Winn as its first and current director. Under her administrative leadership, the centre helps to integrate business, sustain-ability and social responsibility into every aspect of education at Gustav-son, via a wide range of initiatives. The work of the centre has been, in no small part, responsible for UVic being internationally recognized for its achievements advancing sustain-ability in higher education.

Gustavson Dean Saul Klein summed it up: “Monika has put us on the map through the strength of her research record. Her efforts and passion, both within the School and in the broader academic community are much appreciated. As the Sustainabil-ity Champion and Director of CSSI, she is helping us build a strong strategic position as a school. It is remarkable how much we have achieved in this area, and I look forward to working with her as we continue to define the pioneering role we envision in creat-ing sustainable value.”

AWARD FOR FIRST FIVE YEARS OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION

Chris Barr, Chemistry

Chris Barr is the Senior Scientific Assistant for Nuclear Magnetic Reso-nance Spectroscopy in the Depart-ment of Chemistry. He came to UVic in 2011, after 14 years in government and industry, managing Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) facilities. NMR is the single most important tool for probing the structures of new chemi-cals, and a large portion of research and teaching in chemistry depends on the reliability and perfect functioning of the equipment.

Shortly after his arrival at UVic, Barr was tasked with designing a brand new facility for three of the four NMR instruments on campus. He designed the project from scratch and then guided the entire construction



Scholz. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES



Winn. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES



Barr. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

process through to completion. The new NMR facility opened in May 2013 and has been functioning flawlessly ever since.

In addition, Barr is an excellent manager who is capable of balancing

his time between conflicting demands. He is a rare example of someone who has the organizational skills to main-tain a perfectly operational facility, the technical skills to design highly effective experiments, and the com-

munication skills to support students, faculty and researchers from many backgrounds and cultures.

TEAM AWARD FOR INNOVATION

Vikes CARSA Implementation Team

The Vikes CARSA Implementation Team consists of Michelle Peterson, James Keogh, Don Chow and Rob Mac-kay—who are all members of UVic’s athletics and recreation department.

Last May, the largest infrastructure project in UVic’s history opened its doors. The Centre for Athletics, Rec-reation and Special Abilities (CARSA) is a world-class facility that benefits thousands of community members both on and off campus.

The opening of CARSA was the culmination of seven years of plan-ning and challenges, and throughout that time, the members of this team worked with an extraordinary level of positive energy and commitment to keep all aspects of the project co-ordinated and on track. Traditionally, with a project of this size, most of the key contributors work in isolation: designers and builders don’t gener-ally collaborate with operations or marketing or fundraising or the community.

But in CARSA’s case, the imple-mentation team had their fingers on the pulse every step of the way. From design to construction, to transition and move in, operational start-up, equipment, opening activities, sales and marketing, donor recognition and customer service planning—the CARSA team made sure it all hap-pened smoothly and seamlessly—an amazing feat of coordination and collaboration.

And the results of the team’s ef-forts are on display for all to see. UVic has a stunning facility to further its institutional reputation for excel-lence. Feedback on CARSA remains highly positive, and membership and program registrations are exceeding projections. This is a credit to the work undertaken and completed, in remarkable fashion, by the members of this team.

VISION. PASSION. CREATIVE THINKING. IMPACT.



Tunnicliffe. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

An ocean explorer striving to preserve fragile marine ecosystems. A physicist unlocking the secrets of the universe. An oceanographer who makes science open and accessible to everyone. A writer who helps us interpret the trials and tribulations of modern life. And two engineers and an entrepreneur who came up with a brilliant idea and ran with it.

BY VALERIE SHORE

These are the winners of this year’s Craigdarroch Research Awards, which recognize outstanding research and creative achievement at the University of Victoria. Their accomplishments will be celebrated at an evening reception on campus on May 5.

“These individuals exemplify why UVic is consistently ranked nationally and internationally as a top research-intensive university,” says Vice-President Research David Castle. “They’re all leaders in their field who are pushing the boundaries of discovery, creativity and innovation to make an impact on our lives and the world around us.”

The winners are:

DAVID H. TURPIN GOLD MEDAL FOR CAREER ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH

Verena Tunnicliffe, Biology and Earth and Ocean Sciences

Over the course of her 36-year career, internationally renowned marine biologist Dr. Verena Tunnicliffe has combined an unquenchable passion for ocean discovery with a lifelong quest to understand the diversity, connectivity and survival of marine communities in oceans around the world. She has led or joined over 50 deep-sea expeditions and discovered over 80 new species, including nine named in her honour. Her drive to make the ocean realm accessible to everyone led to the world-leading VENUS subsea observatory (now part of Ocean Networks Canada), which she led for 11 years. Her current work is focused on ocean conservation issues related to marine protected areas, biodiversity and deep-sea mining.

CRAIGDARROCH SILVER MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

Maxim Pospelov, Physics and Astronomy

What are the basic constituents of matter? How did elements form during the first few minutes after the Big

Bang? What is the origin of dark matter? These are just some of the weighty questions that preoccupy the mind of Dr. Maxim Pospelov, described by peers as “one of the world’s leading lights” in theoretical particle physics. He’s only mid-career, yet is already an international force in his field, significantly influencing the course of experimental physics and accumulating a remarkable citation record in the process. He’s particularly well known for the breadth of his contributions, which span atomic and nuclear physics to astrophysics and cosmology.

CRAIGDARROCH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN KNOWLEDGE MOBILIZATION

Jay Cullen, Earth and Ocean Sciences

In the years following the 2011 Fukushima-Daiichi nuclear disaster in Japan, chemical oceanographer Dr. Jay Cullen saw an emerging public demand for open-access information on radiation risks to the environment and human health on the BC coast. In 2014, he launched the InFORM Network, which engages scientists in Canada, the US, health experts, NGOs and citizen scientists to monitor and report on detectable radioactivity in seawater and seafood along the coast. He has adeptly and tirelessly used print media, social media, public engagements, and TV and radio appearances to demystify the science on radiation risk and on other issues related to anthropogenic contaminants, geoengineering and climate change.

CRAIGDARROCH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ARTISTIC EXPRESSION

Bill Gaston, Writing

For 38 years, Bill Gaston’s award-winning prose has exemplified the relentless curiosity, the deep human empathy, the acute moral vision and the commitment to exploring new creative frontiers that are at the heart of artistic excellence. He’s a pioneer in Canada and beyond in the genres of

the short story and the literary novel, while also publishing poetry, essays, memoirs, plays and screenplays. His widely acclaimed works—which include six novels—span a range of topics from historical events, religion, colonialism, philosophy, intense wit, and contemporary foibles. He is, quite simply, one of the most original voices in contemporary Canadian literature.

CRAIGDARROCH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS

Thomas Darcie and Stephen Neville, Electrical and Computer Engineering

Owen Matthews, Wesley Clover International and Alacrity Foundation

“An eye-opening and incredible learning experience” says one student of Engineering Entrepreneurship@UVic, an award-winning program created in 2009 by UVic engineers Dr. Thomas Darcie and Dr. Stephen Neville in partnership with “serial entrepreneur” Owen Matthews. The trio formed a unique marriage—a program where students graduate with a master’s degree in engineering, a diploma in entrepreneurship and equity in a business they help form. Everyone wins. UVic produces stronger and more successful students. The students get real-life learning experience with exceptional industry partners. And the companies, services and products they help develop stimulate innovation and regional economic growth.

The Craigdarroch Research Awards were established in 2003 to recognize outstanding research-focused and creative contributions at UVic. They were named for Craigdarroch Castle, the estate that was once home to UVic’s predecessor institution, Victoria College, from 1921 to 1946.



Pospelov



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Matthews, Darcie and Neville. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES



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- **Exhibit.** Through May 28. *Emerging Through the Fog. Tsa-qwa-supp and Tlehpik—Together.* This is an exhibition of two Nuu-chah-nulth men, Art Thompson / Tsa-qwa-supp from Ditidaht (1948–2003) and Hjalmer Wenstob / Tlehpik from Tla-o-qui-aht. *Emerging Through The Fog* seeks to honour and commemorate the life and work of the dedicated teacher Tsa-qwa-supp on the occasion of Tlehpik's BFA from UVic's Dept. of Visual Arts. Legacy Art Gallery, Downtown, 630 Yates St.
- **Exhibit.** To May 16. *New Book Histories: Publishers, Printers and Presses.* Exhibition curated by English 500 students under the supervision of instructor Dr. Janelle Jenstad. A look at the key roles publishers and printers play in both the art and business of book production. Come learn how early publishers remade the codex in the sixteenth century, what drove Dickens to become his own publisher, how *Lady Chatterley's Lover* escaped the censors, and why serial publication mattered. Legacy Maltwood, Mearns Centre—McPherson Library.

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

- **CSRS Lecture.** 4:30 p.m. *Feminism, Family and Faith: Mainstream Canadian Second Wave Feminists and Immigrants and Racialized Activist Women's Perspectives on Motherhood and Religion.* Lynne Marks (UVic). HSD A240.

- **Lecture/Seminar.** 7:30 p.m. *City Talks: 'Rethinking No Man's Land: Sanctuaries in the Urban Dead Zone.'* Noam Leshem (Durham). Legacy Art Gallery. 630 Yates St. 250-721-7331

MONDAY, APRIL 11

- **Lecture/Seminar.** 10:30 a.m. *Java Jab: Can Work Characteristics and Attitudes Toward Change Relieve Stress Among Public Service Managers?* David Giauque (Lausanne). HSD A373. Register: community@uvic.ca

- **Lecture/Seminar.** 7 p.m. *Nowhere People: Documenting the Lives of Stateless People and Communities Around the World.* Greg Constantine, documentary photojournalist. Open Space Gallery, 510 Fort St. 250-721-7327

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

- **VNHS Lecture.** 7:30 p.m. *The Quintessential Ecosystem Engineer: Past, Present and Future.* Fraser 159.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

- **Building re-opening.** Self-guided tours of new executive classrooms, language labs and atrium in Continuing Studies Bldg. Info at continuingstudies.uvic.ca/viewfromhere. Please RSVP by April 14: dcsvsp@uvic.ca

MONDAY, APRIL 25

- **VNHS Lecture.** 7:30 p.m. *Pacific Herring: Interactions Across the Land-Sea Interface.* Caroline Fox (Dalhousie / UVic). Fraser 159.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

- **VNHS Lecture.** 7:30 p.m. *Unveiling the Migratory Mysteries of a Charismatic Seabird from Alaska.* Jill Robinson. Fraser 159.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

- **Brain injury workshop.** 8:30 a.m. *Survive, Strive, Thrive: Stories of Resilience.* Opening remarks by BC Lt. Gov. Judith Guichon. Turpin A120. Free, but registration required: SST@cridge.org. Information: 250-812-2962 or visit www.cridge.org.

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day in the life

BY JOANNE MCGACHIE

Rob Johns has seen first-hand the destruction and chaos that large-scale disasters can cause. In his previous role with the City of Victoria, UVic’s new manager of emergency planning visited Louisiana and Mississippi following Hurricane Katrina, and Christchurch, New Zealand after its major earthquakes.

“Seeing such massive damage really drives home the importance of emergency planning,” Johns says. “Especially in Christchurch, with its similarities to Victoria in terms of earthquake risks and impacts, I was forcefully reminded that, while we can’t prevent these disasters from happening, we can and must prepare for them.”

Johns has taken over from retired Daphne Donaldson, joining UVic’s Campus Security office in December after 15 years with the City of Victoria working in emergency management. During his time with the city, he was a responder to many different types of emergencies, including evacuations for fire, weather, gas leaks and police events, as well as being involved in the devastating 2003 fire season in BC’s interior. He has been on numerous emergency management planning boards and committees, including co-chairing the committee that established the Great BC ShakeOut.

“A campus is like a mini-city in a lot of ways, and I’m impressed with the emergency preparedness that UVic has in place,” Johns says. “It’s critical that all members of the campus community are engaged in emergency planning, from front-line workers

right up to executive. It can’t be up to just one office to prepare for emergencies because when they happen, we all need to be ready to help the students, our colleagues and ourselves.”

And that, Johns says, is what the upcoming Emergency Preparedness (EP) Week (May 1–7) is all about. “We all have busy lives and it’s easy to procrastinate around things that might happen,” he says. “EP Week is a chance to focus some time and energy on preparing for situations where we may have to take care of ourselves and help others for several days, under extremely challenging conditions.”

Johns is planning several events in May, including two workshops on emergency preparedness that will be open to everyone (May 3, 9:30-11 a.m., Strong C126 and May 16, 10:30-noon, Strong C130). There will be a test of UVic’s ‘website light,’ which provides emergency information in a graphics-light format that is quick to load on all devices. As well, the Emergency Alerts notification system will be tested, with voice alerts sent to all staff phones on campus as well as text notifications to registered cell phones.

And then there’s the Quake Cottage, coming to campus for the first time on May 18. The Quake Cottage is a mobile earthquake simulator that allows people to experience what it actually feels like to be in an 8.0-magnitude earthquake. Johns has arranged for the unit to be on campus for a day during its tour of Vancouver Island and BC. It will be in front of the library from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

“The timing didn’t work for it to be up here during EP Week, but it’s going to be a blast having it on campus for



Johns. PHOTO: UVIC PHOTO SERVICES

a full day,” he says. “It will be fun, but it also has a serious message behind it, and I hope everyone will come out, get shaken up and learn more about how to prepare for the Big One.”

Assisting Johns in EP Week planning has been Emily Boulter who, after almost three years working part-time as the Emergency Planning Assistant and going to school in UVic’s School of Earth and Ocean Science, is moving on to other adventures.

“Working in this office at UVic has

been a great learning experience for me,” Boulter says. “I am hoping to be able to continue in the field of emergency management in some capacity—it’s such important work.”

As a UVic alumnus, Johns is enjoying his return to campus, albeit in a very different capacity from his student days. He says it’s been a steep learning curve since he arrived. “I’ve been meeting with as many departments and units as I can to introduce myself and learn about their

operations, at least in general terms. It’s great being back up here, and I thought I knew the campus pretty well, but I’ve realized that, as a student, I only scratched the surface of how a university functions.”

So, during the first week of May, keep an eye out for Johns and others in safety vests, and take some time to learn more about what you can do to prepare for emergencies.

More: uvic.ca/services/emergency

Remembering Bob McQueen, CFO who shaped the UVic campus

BY JOANNE MCGACHIE

Few members of the UVic community, past or present, could claim the level of dedication to—and impact on—the university as Bob McQueen, who passed away March 18 at the age of 81. McQueen arrived before we were UVic, joining Victoria College as its chief accountant on March 1, 1962, then becoming the newly-minted University of Victoria’s first Bursar in 1963. In the early 1980s, he was appointed UVic’s vice-president of finance and chief financial officer (CFO), where he remained until his retirement at the end of 1992—after over 30 years at UVic’s financial helm.

President Jamie Cassels offered condolences on behalf of the entire university. “All of us are saddened at this loss, but we remain grateful for Bob’s contributions to our university,” Cassels said. “As Chief Financial Officer for 30 years, he guided UVic’s finances as our university grew from a liberal arts college into a research university. Bob’s leadership was vital to UVic’s success and is remembered with admiration and affection.”

During his time on campus, McQueen was heavily involved in much more than his duties as CFO. In a Ring article written just before his retirement in 1992, he remembered his time as a member of the negotiation teams with two of the CUPE locals since their certifications in the mid-1960s. “I think we’ve tried to conduct negotiations at the university in a different sort of mode than in many other places,” he said. “We’ve tried to avoid the confrontational approach.”

McQueen was also part of negotiations with the Faculty Association and

the Professional Staff Association, as well as being involved from the beginning with UVic’s various pension plans which, he felt, were among the best plans at any Canadian university. As well, McQueen was instrumental in the creation of the Faculty Club (now the University Club) and sat on its board as Treasurer from its opening until his retirement.

McQueen was no stranger to the academic side of campus either, teaching UVic’s Commerce 151 course for 17 years. He understood first-hand the pressures facing Canadian post-secondary institutions, both from an administrative perspective and a scholastic one.

The 1992 Ring article notes McQueen’s respect for Howard Petch, the president with whom he worked the longest. That respect was fully reciprocated. “Bob McQueen was one of the most able university senior administrative officers that I had the good luck to work with during 25 years of service at three universities,” Petch said upon hearing of McQueen’s passing. “He had a unique ability to see through the baflegab to the heart of a problem and to offer a possible solution which made his advice so valuable. UVic is fortunate to have had Bob as one of its guiding figures during its formative years.”

The Bob and Trevor show

McQueen’s contributions to the university were recognized in 1997 when a lecture theatre in the new Business and Economics Building was named for him and his long-time friend and colleague Trevor Matthews, former VP Administration. Matthews and McQueen, who met in high school, were known in some quarters on campus as the ‘Bob and Trevor show’ for their close friendship and



McQueen. PHOTO: UVIC ARCHIVES

working relationship, so the co-naming was a fitting tribute. When McQueen was retiring, Matthews had this to say: “Bob has been a pillar strength in the development of UVic. As an administrator, his contribution is unequalled and will stand the test of time. And, best of all, he has a great sense of humour, which makes up for his golf.”

Throughout his career and time at UVic, McQueen was known as a quiet, thoughtful person, with a deep commitment to the university’s teaching mission. He was a resourceful and skilled administrator who ensured that UVic avoided the financial crises that plagued many other campuses through the years.

A celebration of McQueen’s life will take place at 2 p.m. on April 30, 2016, at the Cadboro Bay United Church, 2625 Arbutus Road. All are welcome.

MASTERMINDS 2016

Ecological citizenship and the landscapes of the heart

The Masterminds free public lecture series returns on Wednesday evenings in April. This year’s talks journey through the poetic landscape of the heart, explore what ecological responsibility means, and survey a successful model of fall and injury prevention programs in First Nations’ communities.

The series is presented by the UVic Retirees Association and the Centre on Aging, with support from the university. Lectures on April 13 and 20 will be held in Bob Wright Lecture Theatre. The last lecture of the series will be in the Harry Hickman Lecture Theatre.

April 13—When the heart starts thinking

Poetry is an arcane and ancient art. So why do we need it now? In this second lecture of the Masterminds 2016 series, Lorna Crozier, one of the country’s most beloved writers, will show how the images and music of poetry can explain the changing of seasons, the loss of love, the meaning of renewal and of growing old without falling into sentimentality or political rhetoric. She bounces between talk and poetry, reminding us of the beauty of the everyday in the language of the heart.

April 20—Gaia citizenship

In response to the ecological crisis, many people around the world now think of themselves as ecological citizens—having civic responsibilities to sustain the ecosystems that sustain life on earth. In this third lecture of the Masterminds 2016 series, political philosopher James Tully discusses the central features of this global movement—often called Gaia citizenship—and the challenges and lessons it provides.

April 27—Working with First Nations Elders and caregivers to reduce falls, fires and injuries

The rate of fall injuries among older adults in BC First Nations communities is almost twice that of the non-First Nations older adults. Little is known about the factors that contribute to this significant difference, or of appropriate prevention strategies. In this fourth and final lecture of the Masterminds 2016 series, Drs. Elaine Gallagher and Vicky Scott describe their experience with a new three-year project conducted through the Centre for Hip Health and Mobility in partnership with the First Nations Health Authority. The project adapts an existing fall and fire prevention program specifically for First Nations communities focused on enhancing mobility.

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