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Western Carolina University Faculty & Staff News



Monks from the Drepung Loseling Monastery outline the design for a mandala sand-painting at WCU.

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## Tibetan monks uplift students

Before Tibetan monks from the Drepung Loseling Monastery came to Western Carolina University, graduate student Joanna Jennings had studied but never observed the sacred art of mandala sand-painting. "It was beautiful – majestic – beyond all the pictures I have ever seen," said Jennings. ... (CONTINUE READING)

## Lakatos hired as distinguished professor of business innovation

An award-winning educator with extensive business, accounting and legal counsel experience, Joseph P. Lakatos is the new Wesley R. Elingburg Distinguished Professor of Business Innovation and director of WCU's Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation. ... (CONTINUE READING)

## State Employees Combined Campaign kicks off on campus Sept. 23

The campaign, the only officially sanctioned fund drive conducted on WCU's campus, enables state employees to support any of more than 1,000 eligible charitable causes through check, cash or payroll deduction, and all contributions are tax deductible. ... (CONTINUE READING)

## WCU welcomes new employees

Download the PDF of The Reporter feature that introduces the newest members of the faculty and staff community. ... (CONTINUE READING)

### BRIEFS | [thereporter.wcu.edu/category/briefs](http://thereporter.wcu.edu/category/briefs)

Grant to support forensic science research

New Lens Film Series to screen "1968" on Sept. 19

Sept. 19 reception set for 'Iron Maidens' exhibit at art museum

Outdoor gear sale set for Sept. 21

Filmmaker to share Niger River, West Africa documentaries Sept. 24-25

Tibetan monks uplift students

Mountain Heritage Day 5-K Road Race to span WCU hills

Paddlers win honors at Old Cullowhee Canoe Slalom

New IT team works to enhance business analysis capability and capacity

Board of Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching: Call for Nominations

Faculty trombonist to celebrate music of the 1960s at Oct. 1 recital

School of Nursing to host alumni reunion

## **ACHIEVEMENTS** | [thereporter.wcu.edu/category/achievements](http://thereporter.wcu.edu/category/achievements)

Read about the latest achievements of faculty and staff, including Thomas Belt, David Dorondo, Alison Joseph, Mark A. Kossick, David Onder and Dan Pittillo.

## **OFF THE CLOCK** | [thereporter.wcu.edu/category/offtheclock](http://thereporter.wcu.edu/category/offtheclock)

Reporter newsletter to share faculty and staff “off the clock” news

## **EVENTS** | [calendar.wcu.edu](http://calendar.wcu.edu)

Sept. 19 | Third Thursday: Iron Maidens  
Sept. 19 | Diversity Week Keynote Speaker  
Sept. 20 | WCU Family Weekend  
Sept. 20 | Ice Cream Social  
Sept. 20 | Guest Horn Recital, Angela DeBoer  
Sept. 20 | Concert - The Buchanan Boys  
Sept. 21 | Interfaith Conference  
Sept. 21 | Red Zone service project  
Sept. 23 | Nev (Catfish:The MTV Show) Schulman speaker  
Sept. 24 | Relationship GPS: Recalculating!?  
Sept. 24 | Faculty Recital: Eldred Spell, flute  
Sept. 24-25 | Sublime Frequencies film screening  
Sept. 25-28 | “Next to Normal” musical

## **HEADLINES FROM WCU NEWS SERVICES** | [news-prod.wcu.edu](http://news-prod.wcu.edu)

WCU announces list of summer graduates  
Clay artist Ron Myers to give demonstrations, talks Oct. 16-17  
‘One-Day Website’ class set for Sept. 27 at WCU  
Music folklorist Greaves to speak at WCU museum Sept. 26  
Flute professor Spell to present Sept. 24 concert  
Musgraves tickets go on sale Sept. 24  
‘Rooted’ gathering is Friday-Saturday  
Cherokee language program director researches at Yale  
‘Catfish’ co-host to speak at WCU on Sept. 23  
Filmmaker to share Niger River, West Africa documentaries Sept. 24-25  
Students, faculty opening 2013-14 Mainstage Season with ‘Next to Normal’ Sept. 25-28

## **HIGHER EDUCATION NEWSWATCH** | [news-prod.wcu.edu/higher-education-newswatch](http://news-prod.wcu.edu/higher-education-newswatch)

PAC money flowing to GOP | Black Mountain News and Asheville Citizen-Times (comments from Chris Cooper)  
Appointment signals Meadow’s rising clout in Washington | Smoky Mountain News (comments from Chris Cooper)  
New voting law would slightly decrease turnout | Black Mountain News and Asheville Citizen-Times (comments from Chris Cooper)  
Fall Foliage Forecast Looks Good For Parts of East Coast; Weather Conditions Ripe For Autumnal Display | International Business Times (comments from Kathy Mathews)  
Archived Cherokee letters translated for Yale University | GrandLakeNews.com – Grove (OK) Sun and Delaware County Journal (cites work of Hartwell Francis)  
Report Card: D to dilapidated NC bridges, A to hikers’ rescue | Asheville Citizen-Times (good grade for WCU’s Constitution Day activities)  
Student newspapers grapple with the future of industry | Elon University Pendulum (comment from the editor of WCU’s Western Carolinian, Lex Menz)  
Mountain 1st shareholders in a waiting game | Blue Ridge Times-News (comments from Kenneth Flynt)  
Gubernatorial sightings in WNC on the rise | Asheville Citizen-Times (comments from Chris Cooper)  
‘Shored Up’ documentary has a bleak message | Asbury Park (N.J.) Press (comment from Rob Young)  
Rethinking the Shores | Sag Harbor Express (about a presentation by Rob Young)  
Jarrett: Smears and news in Cullowhee | Asheville Citizen-Times  
Is Hillary Clinton running? You bet she is | Asheville Citizen-Times (by Don Livingston and student Savannah Bell)  
Claim your rights | Mountain Xpress (by Roger Hartley)  
Sinking Cities: Why Rising Seas Threaten Many of The World’s Great Destinations | The Weather Channel (comments from Rob Young)  
WCU performances enhance region | Sylva Herald

## **ATHLETICS** | [catamountsports.com](http://catamountsports.com)

Women's tennis opens season with participation in Elon Fall Tennis Invitational  
Women's golf: Taylor Allison repeats as WCU rallies to win Great Smokies Intercollegiate  
Kelly Pannell named College Sports Madness SoCon Women's Soccer Player of the Week



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