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TODAY	TOMORROW	SATURDAY
12:10 Bergren Forum - The Impact of Loneliness on Older Adults	3:00 AU Faculty & Staff Coffee Hour	1:00 Celebration of Life Saturday for Bill Dibrell
4:30 Burger Joint Pop-Up!	8:00 AU Dance Theatre	8:00 AU Dance Theatre
8:00 AU Dance Theatre	· #SaxonFriday	AU Dance Theatre
· February 2020 Art Walk		AU Dance Theatre

Planning to be a May graduate and attend Commencement?

You **MUST** apply to graduate and note your intention of participating (or not) in the May Commencement.

- 1) Run a degree evaluation to be sure all graduation requirements are met.
- 2) Submit a graduation application. (Can complete electronically and email to registrar@alfred.edu.)
- 3) Visit the Graduation Checklist webpage for information about tickets, regalia, etc.

Thank you,
Office of the Registrar, Student Service Center

Link: [Checklist webpage](#)

Attachment: [Graduation application](#)

Submitted by: Tammy Jursza Williams

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TIAA Consultant on Campus

A TIAA consultant will be conducting one-on-one, 45-minute, individual retirement counseling sessions on Tuesday, March 24 in the Human Resources Conference Room in Greene Hall. No matter where you are in life - just getting started or planning for retirement - a session can help you create a plan for your goals. To schedule an appointment, employees should call TIAA at 1.800.732.8353 and remain on the line for assistance; or register at www.TIAA.org/schedulenow.

Submitted by: Kim Wyant

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Saying Glass at Cohen Gallery

January 24-February 23, 2020
Reception: January 24, 5-8pm
Cohen Gallery

Alfred University's Cohen Gallery presents Saying Glass, an exhibition of the work of five Alfred University-affiliated artists working in cast glass, curated by Karen Donnellan.

Saying Glass celebrates two recent developments at Alfred University's School of Art and Design: the appointment of Michael Rogers, whose work is included in the exhibit, as Artistic Associate at SOAD; and the renovation of the National Casting Center glass studios.

The exhibition brings together the work of Rogers and four SOAD alumni: Andrew Erdos (BFA '07), Joanna Manousis (MFA '12), Zora Palova (Randal Chair '16), and Anjali Srinivasan (BFA '02). Their work extends from the gestural and experimental to the meticulously crafted and engineered, and the exhibition reflects the far-reaching edges of the visual, material, and conceptual potential in glass today. The title Saying Glass is a reference to the artist Roni Horn, whose metal and cast-glass sculptures are meditations on the element of water.

The artists featured in Saying Glass:

Andrew Erdos' multi-disciplinary works often combine cast and blown glass, video, photography and installation. Erdos has exhibited internationally at venues including The Toledo Museum of Art; Corning Museum of Glass; National Center for Contemporary Art, Moscow; Beijing BS1 Contemporary Art

Center; and the Kemper Museum.

Joanna Manousis is a British-American artist working in glass and mixed media. Her work has been recognized with nominations for the Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Award, a Bombay Sapphire Award Nomination for 'Excellence in Glass' as well as the Hans Godo Frabel Award.

Zora Palova was born in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, in 1947. She studied at the Academy of Fine Arts, Bratislava, specializing in painting and later in glass and architecture. She became President of the Association of Applied Arts and Designers in 1995 and Research Professor at the University of Sunderland in 1996.

Michael Rogers recently retired as Professor in the Studio Arts Glass Program at the Rochester Institute of Technology. Previously he returned to the United States after spending eleven years in Japan where he was head of Glass at Aichi University.

Anjali Srinivasan's studio processes focus on developing ways to discover, access and restructure information held in a material. She is currently invested in notions of "biological craftsmanship". She lives and works between India and the United States, as Assistant Professor at Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, and Director at ChoChoMa Studios, Bangalore.

Saying Glass has been curated by Alfred University Assistant Professor of Glass Karen Donnellan. Born in Wicklow, Ireland, Donnellan also serves as director of the National Casting Center glass facility at the New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University. Her work is held in public and private collection and has been shown at venues internationally, including the Corning Museum of Glass; the Irish Museum of Contemporary Art; Tushanwan Museum, Shanghai; and the National Glass Center, Sunderland, England.

Link: [press release](#)

Submitted by: Caitlin Brown

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Holmes Auditorium Scheduling & A/V Assistance

In an effort to improve record keeping, requests for scheduling and A/V assistance in Holmes Auditorium should be directed to the ITS Helpdesk. Your cooperation will help ITS provide timely and high-quality service for campus events.

The ITS Helpdesk can be reached at 607-871-2222 or helpdesk@alfred.edu.

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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ATTENTION ALL JUNIORS & SENIORS LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE for APEX

Whether you're thinking about applying for APEX funds, need assistance brainstorming an experience, or already have a Summer 2020 experience lined up, you can make an appointment with the APEX Coordinator, Krystal Cooper, OR view the "Quick Guide to Apply"(Login into Handshake, Click on Career Center, then Resources and search for APEX to view the Quick Guide).

- * All applications must be completed before graduation
- * You must apply at least 3 weeks BEFORE your experience begins
- * Once you apply, check your application on Handshake consistently for comments and updates

*** Easy Application *** Find out more ***

Link: <https://alfred.joinhandshake.com/articles/13005>

Submitted by: Krystal Cooper

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Painting as Is

Opening Reception: Friday, January 31
Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Dates: Friday, January 31- Monday, February 24
Location: Fosdick-Nelson Gallery

This show brings together a group of artists with a keen interest in the blunt facts of painting. Facts that when deployed can demonstrate a wide range of pictorial languages that stretch across and within both abstraction and representation.

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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RSVP Today EVERYTHING APEX : Student Panel Discussion!

Interested in applying for APEX funding? Learn about some cool past experiences, how to apply, and more at the APEX Student Panel on TUESDAY, February 25, Kenyon Allen Room from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm. Come for lunch! All students are welcome!

Link: [RSVP Here!](#)

Submitted by: Krystal Cooper

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Critical Cinema February Screenings

Dates: Thursday 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, & 2/27
Time: 7-9 p.m.
Location: Holmes Auditorium

February Screenings:

2/6: Addicted to Sexting

A documentary looking at the social-media phenomenon known as sexting, the process of sending sexually explicit photos via text messages or on the Internet, includes scandals it has caused as well as ways it can actually benefit healthy relationships.

2/13: Her

A sensitive and soulful man earns a living by writing personal letters for other people. Left heartbroken after his marriage ends, Theodore (Joaquin Phoenix) becomes fascinated with a new operating system which reportedly develops into an intuitive and unique entity in its own right. He starts the program and meets "Samantha" (Scarlett Johansson), whose bright voice reveals a sensitive, playful personality. Though "friends" initially, the relationship soon deepens into love.

2/20 (Art Walk Event): I Love You Now Die

This two-part documentary looks at the case of Michelle Carter, who was charged with coercing her boyfriend into suicide via text.

2/27: Searching

37 hours after David Kim's (John Cho) 16-year-old daughter goes missing without a single lead, David decides to search the one place no one has looked yet, where all secrets are kept today: his daughter's laptop.

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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Bergren Forum - Bob Maiden

The Bergren Forum is sponsored by the Division of Human Studies, The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Provost's Office will be meeting at 12:10 pm on Thursdays in the Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center.

Bring a brown bag lunch, coffee and tea will be provided.

Speaker: Bob Maiden

Topic: "The Impact of Loneliness on Older Adults"

When: Thursday February 20, 2020

Lack of perceived emotional contact causes divorced men and widowers to be more susceptible to loneliness and depression; whereas, widowed women experience less loneliness and greater well-being because of their larger social networks.

Submitted by: Marilyn Saxton

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HR Tip of the Month

Did you know that Alfred Universities health insurance provider, Univera, offers telemedicine at no cost to the subscriber?

Telemedicine gives you fast access to medical and behavioral health care 24/7/365, from the comfort of your home, desk, or hotel room. Through our partnership with MDLIVE, you'll receive the same quality of care you receive from your own doctor, but more conveniently via your phone, tablet, or computer.

Here are some of the common medical conditions treated with telemedicine:

Adults: allergies, cold and flu, ear infections, fever, headache, joint aches and pains, nausea and vomiting, pink eye, rashes, sinus infections, sunburn, urinary tract infections*.

Children: cold and flu, constipation, earache*, fever*, nausea and vomiting, pink eye

*MDLIVE does not provide support for urinary tract infections in males; does not provide support for earache conditions for children under 12 years old; does not provide support for fever-related conditions for children under 3 years old.

Don't wait until you need it, Here are easy ways to activate telemedicine today. (Must be an active Univera subscriber to take advantage of this program)

Web: UniveraHealthcare.com/Member

App: Download the MDLIVE app

Text: Text UNIVERA to 635483

Voice: Call 1-866-914-8426

Link: [Univera Member Portal](#)

Submitted by: Kayleigh Jones

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Wood Shop Safety Training!

To anyone NOT having trained in the shop for safety in the FALL semester, postings are now available on the pin board at the wood shop. DON'T delay as the times are limited for this semesters needs. You only have to train ONCE every year, so those of you that did get training in the fall semester you should be good till next fall. Thank you!

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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Robin Caster Howard

Date: Thursday, February 13 - Sunday, March 1
Opening Reception: February 13, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Location: Cohen Gallery

Cohen Gallery is pleased to present an exhibition of ceramics and drawings by Robin Caster Howard. On view in the locals gallery, the exhibition opens with a reception on Thursday, February 13 from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm and will remain on view until March 1, 2020.

Robin Caster Howard was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1951, a descendent of Russian and Polish immigrants. Robin received her BFA from Massachusetts College of Art in 1984 and her MFA from the New York College of Ceramics at Alfred University in 1986. For several years, while living in New York City, she developed a jewelry business, selling her hand-crafted work to museums and boutiques. In 1993, she began working for Alfred University, initially as an assistant to the then director of the Ceramic Museum of Art and subsequently as Assistant Dean of the School of Art and Design, where she remained until her retirement in 2016. Since then, she has been working full-time in her studio. Robin lives in Alfred with her husband, Ben Howard, Emeritus Professor of English at Alfred University.

The rich textures, playful colors and intuitive process in Robin's work is at once fresh and skillful. About her work Robin states: "For years I have included images of birds and flowers in my work. I have also explored the themes of death and loss. In the past few years, however, as the presence of an environmental crisis has become more immediate, the presence of nature-and the existential threat to nature as we know it-has become more prominent in my work."

Gallery gallery open hours: Tuesday - Friday 11:000 am-5:00 pm, Thursday till 7:00 pm and weekend hours 12-4 pm.

Cohen Gallery exhibits the work of Alfred University alumni, faculty, and visiting artists. The Gallery provides Alfred University students with hands-on experience in arts administration, community development, marketing and public relations, design, and management. Students assist in all facets of the exhibitions, from designing the space to preparing promotional materials and acting as docents during the shows. Cohen Gallery seeks to create opportunities for students, faculty, and alumni to engage in the professional activities of curating and organizing art exhibitions from the ground up, thus providing valuable experience in the business aspects of art. Cohen Gallery also provides a supportive environment for exhibitions that serve regional constituencies, such as regional arts councils, public schools, and exchanges between regional art programs at the university level.

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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Years of Service Recognition

The Employee Recognition Committee would like to announce Years of Service dates for the month of February 2020. The Committee will be observing years 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 50.

At Alfred University, we realize that our employees are our greatest asset, and we are delighted to honor your dedicated service and commitment to this organization. It is our employees who uphold our principles, demonstrate our vision of working for a better future for our University, deliver on our customer promise and make us the passionate organization we are today.

The success of our organization is a direct result of your efforts and dedication. Your commitment to quality and personal and professional integrity is the differentiating factor that sets us apart from our competition.

On behalf of Alfred University, it is with great pride and admiration that we congratulate you on this service anniversary milestone.

Celebrating 1 Year of Service:

February 13- Michael Beiler- Barn Assistant- Equestrian Program

Celebrating 5 Years of Service:

February 9- Cheryl Tucker- Custodian- Maintenance

February 16- Lane Jacobs- Groundskeeper/Landscaper- Maintenance

February 23- Mariah Evans- Academic Success Coach- Opportunity Programs

Celebrating 15 Years of Service:

February 14- Rhonda Bradford- Custodian- Maintenance

Celebrating 25 Years of Service:

February 6- Barbara Condrate- Regional Associate Director- Admissions

Submitted by: Kayleigh Jones

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February Critical Cinema: I Love You, Now Die

Date: February 20

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Location: Holmes Auditorium

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Submitted by: SOAD Events

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Submitted by: SOAD Events

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Environmental House Applications Due March 6, 2020

If you would like to live in the Environmental House on 16 Park St. next academic year, please fill out an application.

The applications can be found in room 320 of the Science Center as well as the link below. This is an AU residence for students who would like to develop a "green" lifestyle and you must apply to live there because space is limited.

The Environmental House is open to students of all majors. Applications are due Friday, March 6.

If you have any questions or would like an electronic copy of the application, please send an email to Michele Hluchy at fhluchy@alfred.edu

Attachment: [Environmental House Application 2020-2021](#)

Submitted by: Shannon Yocum

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Let's Keep Talking: "You" Season 2

Join co-facilitators, Amanda Khodorkovskaya, Chance Olivas, and Kathlyn Ramey, as we discuss Season 2 of the Netflix series "You."

This discussion is a follow-up to the discussion held on Monday, February 10. We had so much to talk about, that we only made it through season 1!

The discussion will take place on Monday, February 24 from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm in the Kenyon/Allen room.

Submitted by: Amanda Khodorkovskaya

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Faculty Research Mentor Award 2019-20

The Office of the Provost continues to acknowledge and reward faculty who are outstanding mentors for undergraduate research and scholarly activity. The Faculty Research Mentor Award recognizes those individuals who are outstanding mentors to students engaged in research or scholarly activity and are actively engaged themselves in advancing scholarship in their field.

Up to one award will be offered in each of the following categories this academic year: physical/life and mathematical sciences, undergraduate engineering, social sciences, humanities, visual and performing arts, and professional studies.

Students or faculty wishing to nominate a faculty member for this award should send a nomination letter to argus@alfred.edu by midnight Monday, March 2; self-nominations will not be considered.

A more detailed announcement, including the required contents for the recommendation letter, is available on the Office of the Provost website.

If you have questions, email Frederic Beaudry (beaudry@alfred.edu), and if you know an outstanding faculty research mentor, nominate them today!

Link: [More information from the Provost's Office](#)

Submitted by: Frederic Beaudry

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ARGUS Proposals - Summer funding

Interested in obtaining funding for a research project?

Student proposals requesting summer 2020 funding from the Alfred Research Grants for Undergraduate Students (ARGUS) program are due by midnight Friday, February 28. Instructions for preparing and submitting a proposal and the supporting application materials can be found at the link below.

Please be aware that proposals not following the required format will be returned without review.

If you have questions, email Dr. Beaudry at beaudry@alfred.edu.

Link: [ARGUS application information](#)

Submitted by: Frederic Beaudry

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ITS Video Conferencing Policy

Due to an increase in requests, ITS has updated its Video Conferencing policy. Anyone wishing to host a video conference with ITS assistance must make the request at least seven (7) business days prior to the proposed meeting date. The conference organizer is responsible for scheduling the room that will be used for the meeting.

If ITS assistance is requested, the video conference should be held during AU business hours, which are 8:30am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday. ITS has a limited number of staff to provide assistance, and cannot guarantee service for meetings held before or after AU business hours. Assistance requests will be honored on a first come, first served basis and will depend on technician availability. If a technician is requested, please allow 15 minutes for setup and testing.

All arrangements, including room reservations and assistance requests must be made seven (7) business days prior to the meeting date. Requests that are made less than seven (7) business days before the video conference may not be honored.

302 Perlman Hall may be reserved for meeting and video conference purposes. It is available from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. Please visit the Video Conferencing Policy web page to access the room reservation form.

To schedule video conferencing assistance, please contact the ITS Helpdesk. This will allow for appropriate record keeping, technician scheduling, and timely service. The ITS Helpdesk can be reached at 607-871-2222 or helpdesk@alfred.edu.

Link: [AU ITS Video Conferencing Policy](#)

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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Renewable Faculty Candidate Presentation

Dr. Ken King-Man Siu will be on campus Thursday, February 27 for an in person interview for the Renewable faculty position

We would like to invite you to sit in on his presentation of his research

" Power Electronics in Distributed Renewable Energy Systems"

He will be presenting on Thursday, February 27 in BMH 106 at 10:20 am

Attachment: [Abstract and Bio of Absract and Bio Ken King-Man Siu](#)

Submitted by: Christina Vetter

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Alfred Speech and Debate Society Interest Meeting

ASDS is having an interest meeting this Thursday, February 20 at 9:00 pm in the Kenyon-Allen Room! All ages and majors are encouraged to come see what we're about- we bet it's a lot more than you expect.

Free snacks will be provided.

Attachment: [Alfred Speech and Debate Society Interest Meeting](#)

Submitted by: Alfred Speech and Debate Society

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Celebration of Life Saturday for Bill Dibrell

A Celebration of Life for William "Bill" Dibrell, professor of philosophy at Alfred University, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 22, from 1-3 p.m. in Susan Howell Hall on the Alfred University campus. Bill, who taught in Alfred University's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences for 36 years, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 13.

Bill's contributions to Alfred University included chairing the strategic planning committee that has played a pivotal role in the creation of the University's five-year strategic plan. In addition, Bill was a generous citizen of the Alfred village community, serving for many years on the A. E. Crandall Hook and Ladder Co., as fire chief and emergency medical technician.

Bill's family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in his name be made to the AE Crandall Hook & Ladder Company, Main St., Alfred, NY 14802.

To leave an online condolence or share a memory, visit www.dagonfuneralhome.com

Link: [Full Obituary](#)

Submitted by: Mark Whitehouse

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Lights, cameras, revolution!: Roxy Toporowych's Ukrainian love story

The WGST's Riley Lecture is bringing amazing Ukrainian-American filmmaker Roxy Toporowych to campus Wednesday, March 18, to discuss the making of Julia Blue, her award-winning Ukrainian love story set during the country's recent civil unrest.

Roxy, who researched and wrote Julia Blue during her Fulbright to Ukraine in 2014, will present her talk at 5:30 p.m., March 18, in Holmes Auditorium -- hors d'oeuvres will be served afterward.

Her lecture will be followed the next evening by a special screening of Julia Blue, with Roxy on-hand to take questions, at 7 p.m., March 19, in Nevins Theater.

As for Roxy's background, the Alliance of Women Directors states, "Roxy is a graduate of NYU's Tisch School of the Arts and has worked in film and TV set decoration for over 15 years. Credits include: Captain America: Winter Soldier, The Other Guys, Saturday Night Live and most recently Steven Spielberg's West Side Story. Previously, Roxy directed the documentary feature Folk!" (www.allianceofwomendirect...).

Julia Blue, a film festival favorite, has already earned Roxy more than a dozen top awards, including Best Director, Best Film and Best International Feature (juliabluthemovie.com).

<https://filmmakermagazine...>

<https://www.allianceofwom...>

<https://www.imdb.com/name...>

Link: <https://filmmakermagazine.com/98560-from-nyc-to-ukraine-a-first-time-filmmaker-brings-julia-blue-to-the-ifp-narrative-lab/#.Xf0Yii3MzOQ>

Attachment: [Riley Lecture](#)

Submitted by: Robyn Goodman

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Health and Wellness Tips

Spring is nature's way of saying, let's get into shape! Sponsored by AU Health and Fitness Management program.

Attachment: [Spring is Nature's Way of Saying, Let's Get into Shape!](#)

Submitted by: Keira Palumbo

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Open Meeting with Jamie Babcock - Capitol Projects and Facilities

Tuesday, February 25 from 12:15 pm - 1:00 pm Nevins Theater

Jamie Babcock - Executive Director of Capitol Projects and Facilities will present the latest information about new and ongoing campus projects. There will be time for questions and discussion.

This is an Open Meeting sponsored by the Support Staff and Administrative and Technical Specialist Councils. All faculty and staff are invited to attend.

Submitted by: Mark Klingensmith

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First Act of Spring Concert Announced

This Friday the Student Activities Board will be announcing the first band to play in the upcoming spring concert! Keep a look out for posters and on the SAB Instagram @alfreduniversitiesab to see the first of three bands performing live at the annex on April 4. The next band will be released Friday the 28.

Tickets for the concert will go on sale March 16 and will be available to purchase online and in the CSI on the bottom floor of Powell.

Submitted by: Student Activities Board

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