

Teaching experience in India to highlight next Bergren Forum

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Dr. Becky Prophet, Alfred University (AU) professor of theater, along with her husband Craig Prophet, will present “ASTEP (Artists Striving to End Poverty) in India” as a part of Alfred University’s Bergren Forum series. Their presentation will take place on Thursday, Sept. 12 at 12:10 p.m. in Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center. The event is open to the public free of charge.

The Prophets, who live in Alfred, spent three months in India last spring working with ASTEP, an organization which sends volunteers all over the world to help educate children in need using visual and performing arts. During their time volunteering, the Prophets taught children in rural India and in Shanti Bhavan, one of the local schools with plans to change the face of education in the region. Their presentation will focus on their experiences teaching English and the arts.

Becky Prophet earned a bachelor of arts degree in English from Alfred University. She continued her education and received a master’s degree and a Ph.D. from Michigan University. She has also acted, directed, and taught in Massachusetts, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Atlanta.

The Bergren Forum, sponsored by the Alfred University Division of Human Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, meets Thursdays during each academic semester at the University. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch; coffee and tea will be available.