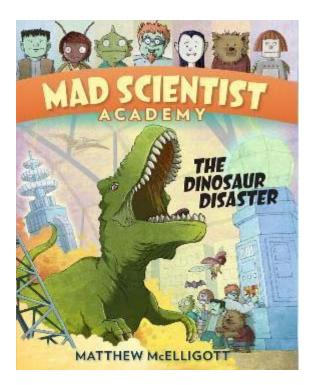
McElligott �90 opens �Mad Scientist Academy � for young readers 8/28/15



Matthew McElligott, AU Class of 1990, has a new children&s picture book, "Mad Scientist Academy: The Dinosaur Disaster," released in July 2015 and published by Crown Books for Young Readers. It is the first in a series "Mad Scientist Academy" books about science.

Kirkus Review notes:

"An informative but hair-raising tour of a rather-too-realistic dinosaur exhibit gives six new students a memorable first day at Mad Scientist Academy. Barely have the young folk - a notably diverse group of kidlike monsters and nonhumans - met their new teacher Dr. Cosmic (green skin, orange goatee, goggles, lab coat) than the action starts. Soon they're narrowly avoiding obliteration from a flaming model meteor, stepping hastily away from oozing lava, and fleeing a set of robotic dinos inadvertently switched to 'Live& mode Having filled his sequential panels and full-page illustrations with escalating, destructive antics done up in a tidy style that makes them all the more hilarious, McElligott closes with a thumbnail gallery of the exhibit&s prehistoric residents ... "