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New Cérémonie de Clôture Fall Semester 2012

In view of IAU's traditional Cérémonie de Clôture which is held at the end of the academic year in the Salle des Etats Généraux de Provence at the Mairie of Aix-en-Provence, we are pleased to announce that IAU has added a Cérémonie de Clôture which will take place at the end of future fall semesters. December 11, 2012, marked the First Fall Semester Cérémonie de Clôture, held in the Main Hall of the historic Chapelle des Pénitents Bleus, 2bis rue du Bon Pasteur. Dr. Leigh Smith, Dean of Students, and Professor Alan Roberts, Director of the Marchutz School of Fine Arts, led the program. Special guest speaker, IAU alumnus and Trustee Dr. Rodolfo Alvarez '60 addressed the assembly, and IAU students Katie Frey, University of San Diego, Sofia Thompson, University of Denver (Legacy student and daughter of Ana Rabassa, Aix Spring '82), and Bailey Beardsley, Gettysburg College, spoke as representatives of the student body.

The following prizes were awarded:

The Warren Marion Miller Prize for Academic Excellence in French Language and Literature: First Year - Amanda Salamone, University of New Haven; Intermediate Level - Elizabeth Chatzky, Gettysburg College; Advanced Level and Honors - Stephanie Caruso, University of Denver.

The Evron Kirkpatrick Prize for Academic Excellence in Political Science: Patrick Leppink-Shands, Macalester College.

The Etienne Gros Prize for Academic Excellence in Literature: Meagan McCarthy, Boston College.

The Constantin Christofides Prize for Academic Excellence in Art

Calling All Alumni!

When: Thursday
April 4, 2013
6 to 9 pm

What: IAU Reception

Who: IAU Alumni
IAU Partners
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Where:

Sheraton Chicago
Hotel & Towers
301 East North Street
Chicago, IL 60611

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History: Elizabeth Bryson, SUNY Fredonia.

The Léon Wencelius Prize for Academic Excellence in Philosophy: Klevisa Kovaci, Fairfield University.

The Marchutz School of Fine Arts Purchase Award: Courtney Bell, BA, University of Southern California; Ariel Osif, Pennsylvania State University.



IAU student body at First Fall Cérémonie de Clôture December 11, 2012



Dr. Rodolfo Alvarez,
Special Guest Speaker



Elizabeth Bryson receives
prize in Art History



Katie Frey, Sofia Thompson, and Bailey Beardsley welcome the IAU student body to the Cérémonie de Clôture, Fall 2012, along side Dr. Leigh Smith, Dean of Students.

IAU Fellows

Resident Fellows

Fawad Khan, Center for Art and Culture '00 and Professor David Coombs

IAU is pleased to welcome back Fawad Khan, MFA, Center for Art and Culture '00, as IAU Resident Fellow for Spring 2013. Fawad earned his BFA from Maryland Institute College of Art and his MFA from The School of Visual Arts. Fawad is now an accomplished professional artist living and working in Brooklyn, NY. During his residency, Fawad will continue his own practice on site at IAU and will conduct workshops for students at the Marchutz School of Fine Arts Painting and Drawing Program.

Interviews discussing Fawad's work appear in the July 2012 issue of Papercut Magazine <http://lumagnus.com/sites/default/files/khan-papercutmag-interview.pdf>, and in Popcycle Magazine <http://lumagnus.com/sites/default/files/khan-popcyclemag-interview.pdf>. Fawad will join IAU for three weeks in March 2013.

David Coombes, Professor of Political Science, University of Limerick, IAU Resident Fellow Fall 2012, returns this spring. Dr. Coombes' spring semester program contributions include lectures and classroom

enrichment discussions.

Marchutz School of Fine Arts Alumni Fellow, Charley Umbarger (Neff) continues his work with the school this spring.

Further information about the Resident Fellow Program and the Marchutz School of Fine Arts Alumni Fellowship Award, including application information, is available from the IAU U.S. Office, enroll@iaufrance.org or 1-800-221-2051.

Marchutz School of Fine Arts Alumni Fellow

Charley Umbarger (Neff)

Marchutz School of Fine Arts Alumni Fellow, Charley Umbarger (*Neff*) continues his apprenticeship work with the school this spring, and is leading a one-credit course that will culminate in an interdisciplinary exhibition planned for the spring.

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Student Conferences

International Undergraduate Conference on the Environment, March 14-16, 2013

IAU, in conjunction with the Baker Institute of Peace at Juniata College, will be hosting a collaborative undergraduate conference for American and European students this coming March. European students from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciencespo.aix) in Aix as well as US students from various other programs abroad will convene over three days to hear expert lectures and to propose their generation's solutions for environmental responsibility. The first presentation will take place in the Bruno Etienne amphitheater at Sciencespo.aix, followed by a reception and an exchange of ideas. The following day, after lectures in the morning, students will gather for



Fawad Khan, MFA
IAU Resident Fellow Spring
2013



David Coombs,
Professor of Political
Science, University of
Limerick



Charley Umbarger (*Neff*),
Marchutz Alumni Fellow
2012/2013

discussion and consideration of how their generation will confront these issues now and in the future.

Camus Colloque

Academic Conference at IAU College:

"Albert Camus: L'Homme à Multiples Présents"
November 7-10, 2013.

In honor of the 100th anniversary of Camus' birth, and in commemoration of one of the writer's last classroom presentations that took place at IAU, we are hosting an academic conference here at IAU College next November. Calls for papers have been distributed to Camus specialists all over the globe. With all the activity surrounding Camus studies this year, we expect a very dynamic conference with a series of lectures, dramatic representations of the author's work, and visits to important sites figuring in his oeuvre.

The Marchutz School of Fine Arts



In the landscape.

Spring 2013 marks record breaking enrollment at the Marchutz School of Fine Arts with 23 full-time students.

Two new tracks will be included in expanded offerings at the school: Archeology will offer more courses, including a two-excavation field study in

the spring and summer, as well as a new January-term focus on Italy, Greece and Istanbul; and Creative Writing with additional offerings in fiction and poetry, and a visiting writers component in addition to the student workshop experience.

A city-wide exhibition on the life and work of Leo Marchutz is planned for the summer of 2013 in celebration of the 110th anniversary of the birth of the Aixois painter and lithographer and namesake of the school.

IAU New Building

8 rue de Littera, Aix-en-Provence

Inauguration - Saturday, July 13, 2013



The new IAU College teshirt has arrived. [Click on this link for ordering information.](#)



The new IAU sash was presented to students at the Cérémonie de Clôture.

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Rue Campra entrance



Future student lounge area



17th century portals to the future smart classrooms, 8 rue de Littera

Restoration and reconstruction work advances steadily and on schedule at IAU's newest facility, 8 rue de Littera in the heart of Aix-en-Provence. The completion date is set for Summer 2013, with a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception planned for Saturday, July 13th. Further details will be announced soon. Everyone is invited, so mark it on your calendars!

Information on naming opportunities is available by contacting alumni@iaufrance.org.

Alumni Affairs and Development

***In Memoriam:* Ella Kottick Bandes**

Ella Kottick Bandes died suddenly on February 4 in Kings County Hospital after being struck by a vehicle in New York City. Ella, a graduate of Macalester College, was a student in the Marchutz School program during the Spring of 2010. She is remembered fondly by her host family and friends here in Aix, her professors and the staff. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the "Ella Bandes Memorial Fund" at Macalester College.

Support IAU

Six current giving options, including scholarship funds, the building fund and the annual fund, provide alumni and friends with the opportunity to support IAU. We invite you to visit the [Donating to IAU](#)



Classroom ceiling detail, 8 rue de Littera



Classroom 17th century marble fireplace under protective wraps, 8 rue de Littera

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rubric on the IAU website at www.iaufrance.org for details of the funds and the purpose of each.

Automated Recurring Giving remains a popular option. A one-time registration process through the IAU US Office permits an automatic recurring monthly donation. Complete information is available on the Donating to IAU rubric at www.iaufrance.org or by telephoning 800-221-2051.

In addition, IAU has established The Mont Sainte Victoire Legacy Society to honor donors who wish to include IAU in their estate planning. Please see the Donating to IAU rubric on the IAU website for more information.

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