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## Vanier's Tatiana Aholou receives a 2017 bursary from Alliance Sport-études-SRAM for Academic Excellence

Photo credit: Frederic M Photographie

Vanier College is proud to announce that Social Science student Tatiana Aholou recently received a $1,500 Academic Excellence bursary from Alliance Sport-études in partnership with the Service régional d'admission du Montréal métropolitain (SRAM).

Tatiana is a true rising star in track and field. In 2016, she was crowned Canadian Youth and Junior Track and Field Champion in the 100m and put in an impressive performance in the long jump. Tatiana, who has already set several Canadian and Quebec records, hopes to represent Canada at the next Youth Commonwealth Games. She is currently in the Social Science Program at Vanier and would eventually like to study Law or work in the field of criminal psychology.

Tatiana received her bursary from Céline Pelletier, Director of admissions with SRAM at a reception that took place on April 27th at the Molson Coors Brewery where the spring awards were handed out. In all, 26 outstanding student athletes received bursaries of $1,000 to $2,500 in recognition of their academic excellence and their athletic achievements.

L'Alliance et la Fondation Sport-Études are pleased to support athletes pursuing post secondary studies and to applaud teachers, parents and coaches for their role in helping student-athletes succeed. This year, the Fondation Sport-Études distributed $170,000 in bursaries to 114 outstanding Sport-études student-athletes.

Congratulations to Tatiana Aholou!

***Marguerite Corriveau, Vanier Communications***

## Lieutenant Governor's Youth Medal Winners

Congratulations to two Vanier students, Kreztorv Fugaban (Industrial Electronics) and Ioana Gheta (Health Science), who each won a **Lieutenant Governor's Youth Medal** for community volunteering and school spirit. Kreztorv and Ioana received the medals at a ceremony on April 28th at Ahuntsic College.

***Joshua Berman, Tutoring & Academic Success Centre***

## Reminder – Schedule Change – Day Division

Please note that on Thursday, May 11, 2017 students and faculty will follow their Friday schedule. Please remind students in your classes of this change.

***Olga Mardas, Office of the Academic Dean***

## 2017 Student Life Award

The ***Student Life Award*** recognizes those **graduating students** who deserve recognition for their commitment, integrity and perseverance in contributing to Vanier's student life, aside from academic achievement. Leadership, effort, and the ability to motivate and involve others are often the qualities exhibited by *Student Life Award* recipients.

The Selection Committee invites recommendations from those persons familiar with the candidate's activities at Vanier College. **Any student, faculty or staff member of Vanier College may nominate a candidate** for the *Student Life Award.*

**Please print and complete the nomination form found on the web at:**
http://vaniercollege.qc.ca/student-services/student-development/student-life-awards.php **and return it together with your letter of recommendation** to the *Student Life Award Selection Committee* in Student Services, C-203, no later than 4pm on **May 11, 2017**.

***Donata Parisella, Student Services***

## Time to register for the annual AQPC Symposium

The 37th AQPC symposium will take place June 6 to 8, 2017 in downtown Montreal, at Concordia University. This year Vanier College and Cégep de Saint-Laurent are co-hosting the event whose theme for 2017 is *Our legacy*.

**The official program and schedule are now posted on the AQPC website**: http://aqpc.qc.ca/en/symposium/program

**Time to register and take advantage of the early-bird savings and advantages:** http://aqpc.qc.ca/en/symposium/register

See the program to find Vanier teachers who will present workshops during the symposium. View the invitation from the Directors General of Vanier and Saint-Laurent:
https://youtu.be/vHptjsjcvLs

***Darren Becker, Vanier Communications and Corporate Affairs***

## Vanier Video Festival

The Communications, Media and Studio Arts Department is excited to announce the 44th Vanier Video Festival year-end screening happening on Thursday, May 11th in the Auditorium A-103 at 7:00pm.

Come and discover the remarkable talent that this festival consistently delivers! Film industry professionals will be there to form the Jury for select videos, and door prizes will add to the fun!

An evening not to miss!

On behalf of the CMSA,

***Colleen Ayoup, Communications, Media and Studio Arts***

## Saltise Conference Registration now Open

This year, the 6th Annual Saltise Conference taking place on June 5th has been organized by teachers from Vanier, Kevin Lenton and myself. This year's theme is: *Interconnecting Design and Assessment: New frontiers for engaging the learner*

Registration is currently open.
http://www.saltise.ca/conference-2017/registration/

Registration is free for early birds.

***Marielle Beauchemin, Micromedia***

## 2017 Graduation Ceremony

The Vanier College Graduation Ceremony honouring the 2016-2017 graduates will take place on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at Théâtre Maisonneuve of Place des Arts at 7:30pm.

If you would like to join us as we celebrate the graduates please email Annabelle Kennedy at kennedya@vanier.college for a ticket.

There will be a reserved section at the front of the Théâtre for faculty and staff.

Reserved seating tickets will be sent via internal mail or picked up in F-229 at the beginning of June.

***Annabelle Kennedy, Vanier Communications***

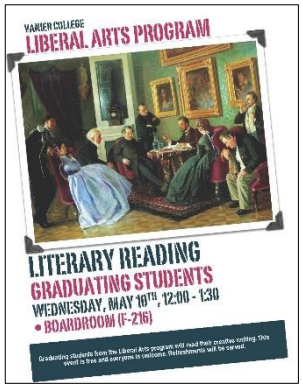
## BCI Card

If you are interested in borrowing books from Quebec university libraries this summer, it is possible to obtain a **BCI card** (Bureau de coopération interuniversitaire, formerly CREPUQ). This card gives you access to all Quebec university libraries. Please contact Susan Bissonnette at bissonns@vaniercollege.qc.ca.

Thank you.

***Susan Bissonnette, Library Services***

## Liberal Arts Literary Reading




Fourth semester students in the Liberal Arts program will be reading from their creative writing on Wednesday, May 10th, during Universal Break in the Boardroom. This event is open to the Vanier community.

Refreshments will be offered following the reading.

***Kevin Bushell, Liberal Arts***

## Vanier's Laurence Beauregard receives a Desjardins bursary

Vanier College is proud to announce that Science student, Laurence Beauregard, is the recipient of a $2,500 bursary for academic excellence from the Sport-études Foundation in partnership with Desjardins. Laurence was one of 26 outstanding student athletes who received bursaries of $1,000 to $2,500 in recognition of their academic excellence and their athletic achievements, at a reception that took place on April 27th at the Molson Coors Brewery.

Laurence Beauregard received her bursary from Denis Bernier (on the left in the photo), Director General of the Caisse Desjardins Cité-du-Nord de Montréal and from Michel Cantin (on the right in photo), Vice-president of the Montreal West region.

Last year, Laurence who is an Olympic wrestler in the under 55 kg category, won Silver Medals at both the Senior and Junior Canadian Championships. She is also starting to make a name for herself at the international level where she placed 8th in an invitational competition held in Italy. Her next objectives are to win the Canadian Championship and the Canadian University Championship and pursue her studies in athletic therapy after completing her DCS in Science at Vanier.

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Congratulations to Laurence Beauregard!

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***Marguerite Corriveau, Vanier Communications***

## Vanier's Jacqueline Simoneau receives an RDS bursary

Vanier College is proud to announce that Olympic synchronized swimmer, Jacqueline Simoneau recently received a $2,500 bursary from the Réseau des sports-Fondation Sport-Études for excellence in her studies and her sport.

Jacqueline Simoneau is one of the few Quebec student athletes who competed at the Olympics in Rio de Janeiro where she placed 7th in the synchronized swimming duet. A year earlier she won two Gold Medals at the Pan American Games held in Toronto. She is now aiming to win at the World Championships that will take place this summer in Budapest. Her ultimate goal after completing her studies in Science at Vanier is to study Medicine.

Jacqueline received her bursary at a special reception held at the Molson Coors Brewery on April 27th 2017, where 26 outstanding student athletes received bursaries ranging from $1,000 to $2,500 in recognition of their student success and athletic achievements.

Congratulations to Jacqueline Simoneau.

***Marguerite Corriveau, Vanier Communications***

# Vanier teacher Andréanne Abbondanza-Bergeron awarded a 2017 Claudine and Stephen Bronfman Fellowship in Contemporary Art

Vanier College is pleased to announce that Communication, Media and Studio Arts teacher, Andréanne Abbondanza Bergeron who recently completed her MFA in sculpture at Concordia University, has received a Claudine and Stephen Bronfman Fellowship in Contemporary Art, one of the largest and most prestigious fellowships in Canada.

With a value of $60,500, the Claudine and Stephen Bronfman Fellowship in Contemporary Art provides recipients with recognition for their work and support in the further development of their artistic careers and their creative research. The fellowship helps covers such costs as studio space, materials, travel, and the production of a catalogue. Every year, the Fellowships are awarded to two new graduates — one from UQAM and one from Concordia — in a master's or PhD program in media or visual arts.

Andréanne's large-scale installation works explore the nature of space and its relationship to the human body and social context. She describes it as "simultaneously spatial, structural, virtual and abstract." Her works are almost architectural in nature, which may not come as a surprise since she started out studying architecture. The fellowship is a welcome boon to Andréanne who will have the appropriate support to pursue her next project.

Andréanne has been teaching sculpture part-time at Vanier for the past four years while also pursuing her Masters of Fine Art. Previously, she obtained a Masters of Education, and was a recipient of the 2015-2016 Yvonne L. Bombardier Graduate Scholarship in Visual Arts.

Congratulations to Andréanne.

***Marguerite Corriveau, Vanier Communications***

## Tutor Excellence Award Winners

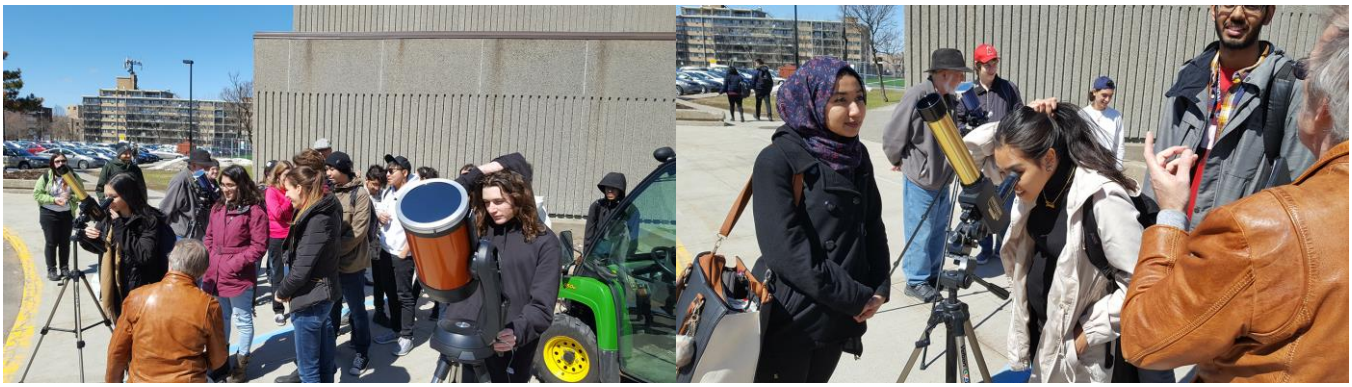
At our Tutor Appreciation Event held in E-300 on May 3rd 2017, two TASC tutors received our inaugural **Tutor Excellence Award**.

The award was based on tutee nominations and the winners were chosen based on the following eight criteria: Patience, Caring, Tutoring Strategies, Study Skills, Active Tutoring, Boosting Confidence, Self-Regulation, and Creating a Positive Space.

Congratulations to winners **Dylan Patel** (Honours Science) and **Anaïs Ho** (Health Science). They each received a certificate of excellence and gift card to Jake's Co-op.

***Ashley Rankin, Joanne Ellis, Joshua Berman, TASC***

## Solar observation at Vanier



On April 13, the sunny weather allowed us to setup few telescopes with solar filters and look directly at the surface of the Sun. Looking through the telescope; students noticed that the sun was actually quiet on that day with few tiny sunspots and not much activity or solar flares. However, students enjoyed seeing the surface of the Sun that close and for the first time. This year astronomy event was very well attended and popular. Line-up of students attending started from 12 to 4 pm.

Thanks to all teachers who encouraged their students to come to this astronomy event. Special thank to Kevin Kemball and Bruno Stenson from Royal Astronomical Society – Montreal for their help.

***Wissam Chaya, Physics Department***

## Music News

# Final Call: *Elijah* Performance this Tuesday

This is it! It's the week we've all been looking forward to since classes began way back in August of last year. No, I don't mean the final week of classes (although that runs a pretty close second in my books). I'm talking about the long-awaited performance of Felix Mendelssohn's oratorio *Elijah*, performed by our Vanier College Choir.

Director ***Philippe Bourque*** and the group have gone cahoots with the Choeur Saint-Laurent and the McGill Chamber Orchestra the whole time planning, rehearsing, working, grinding—in fact veritably labouring relentlessly for months to get this performance in shape. (No, I am NOT engaging in unbridled hyperbole—it's actually true.)

On Tuesday evening, May 9, at Église Saint Jean Baptiste they will all finally take to the stage for their one and only public performance of this *magnum opus*. To get tickets for the show, go to http://placedesarts.com/shows/18696/elijah.en.html and click on the date. Don't delay—time is running out!

## This is the TOPS!

Time once again for our final amazing recital of the year. For the eighth year in a row, the Department of Music proudly presents its TOPS concert. This is the show for which the performers must audition, and they have to be better than good to get in. Words like superlative, talented, excellent, consummate, all come to mind.

The competition is fierce, and the auditions were excellent once again with soloists, combos, and ensembles from the jazz, classical, and pop disciplines vying for the honour of playing in the show. And the results are in…five wonderful musical acts ranging from solo string players to jazz and pop combos playing music from a wide variety of styles, including one original composition.

So whatever else happens this Wednesday during Universal Break, this marvelous free recital is something that you should put at the TOPS of your lists!

***Glen Ethier, Department of Music***

## Vanier Gardens – Starting the new season!

Over the course of the summer, the **Vanier Collective Gardens** will continue to be developed as an educational tool accessible to all teachers, programs and sectors of the college. I invite you to contact me to find out more about and discuss how this special live laboratory and overall educational landscape can serve you in your pedagogy. Our slogan ***Growing Knowledge*** drives all the initiatives we undertake!

**Volunteers welcome!** As the Winter semester comes to an end and as the summer holidays are around the corner, a challenge for the Gardens is to be maintained throughout the summer. Students, staff, teachers, other employs and friends are all welcome to join our Student Garden Coordinator to share good times working in the gardens. You even get to harvest and take fresh produce home!

**New location:** You wonder about the exact location? Find out more about it here:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GMfv4zVQgtY&feature=youtu.be

**Stay tuned or get involved:**

- Sign up to our mailing system, Mail Chimp: http://eepurl.com/b7vStn
- Join our face book page: Vanier College Collective Gardens: https://www.facebook.com/groups/956934947670755/?ref=bookmarks

**Access educational material :**

- Visit the Gardens website: http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/sustainability-major/collective-gardens/
- Visit the Gardens Omnivox Portal Community: https://vaniercollege.omnivox.ca/intr/VanierCollectiveGardens/

*Have a great green spring everyone!*

***Myriam Mansour, Geography***

# Learning Commons

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## Web of Science Database Trial

The Vanier Library has a trial for Web of Science through June 27th. If you have the opportunity to try it out, please let us know what you think about it. To access WoS (on campus only), go to the library web page (www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/library) and click on databases under MENU. Web of Science is at the bottom of the list. Please contact Susan Bissonnette (bissonns@vanier.college) if you have any questions.

## Scholarships for Students

There are a number of scholarships and bursaries that are currently available to students. Some are program specific, while others are open to all students. Here is a list of all available scholarships along with the eligibility criteria: http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/scholarships/. If students are looking for help with reviewing their application(s), they can visit Joshua Berman in B-205F. Please encourage your students to apply.

***Haritos Kavallos, Learning Commons***
***kavalloh@vanier.college***

## AQPC Symposium: Call for Volunteers – A Reminder

Vanier College and Cégep Saint-Laurent will be hosting the Association québecoise de pédagogie collégiale (AQPC) Symposium that is set to take place from June 6th to 8th this year. Approximately 1,500 attendees are expected for this event which will primarily take place at Concordia University's downtown campus.

The preparation of the Symposium is long and involved, and the local organizing committee has already been hard at work planning the event for months. The committee is composed of staff members from both host colleges.

As we approach the date, I remind you to consider volunteering and helping us make this event a great success. Current students, alumni, and retired staff members are equally encouraged to volunteer. Volunteer tasks are diverse and it will be possible for you to get involved based on hours that are convenient. The hours you dedicate to volunteering will be recognized as work hours.

Those willing to volunteer can sign up to do so by completing the following form: https://goo.gl/forms/bfsxOoh13lG7udsJ3

Thank you in advance for your support and collaboration.

***Haritos Kavallos, Learning Commons***
***kavalloh@vanier.college***

# PSI News

## Pedagogical Animation

### PSI Workshop Series—Winter 2017

Find the full schedule, detailed descriptions, and registration forms here: http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/psi/professional-development/psi-workshop-series/

Registrations are currently open for these workshops:

- **Presenting at a Conference Soon?**
  Presenter: Isabelle Delisle. Date: May 10. Time: 12:00-13:30. Location: D-221.
- **Anyone Can Code: Create a Website Using Bootstrap (Part 2)**
  Presenter: Bruce Norton. Date: May 17, 2017. Time: 12:00-13:30. Location: N-362

***Isabelle Delisle, Pedagogical Support and Innovation***

# REGISTER NOW FOR (Dis)Comfort Zones: Negotiating Tensions and Cultivating Belonging in College Classrooms in Quebec

Dear Vanier community,

The Critical Diversity in Higher Education (CDHE) research team at Vanier cordially invites you to **(Dis)Comfort Zones: Negotiating Tensions and Cultivating Belonging in College Classrooms in Quebec**, a two-day conference exploring issues of diversity and inclusion in the Cégep system.

**The event takes place Wednesday, May 17 to Thursday, May 18, 2017 in the auditorium (A-103).**

The primary objective of this conference—what we have termed a multi-vocal participatory workshop (MPW)—is to identify and exchange strategies for effectively managing the discomforts that inevitably emerge when individuals from diverse backgrounds encounter and interact with each other in the classroom. In the spirit of conversation, this event intertwines the voices of students, college educators, and experts on different forms of diversity and the "pedagogy of discomfort" in post-secondary educational institutions.

Among the sessions offered are keynote presentations by the University of Toronto's Dr. Megan Boler and the University of Minnesota's Dr. Michael Goh; four panel discussions focusing on race and ethnicity, gender and sexuality, culture and religion, and language; a presentation on disability and inclusivity; and a Playback Theatre performance.

This bilingual event, which is co-funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), aims not only to redefine the discussion around the topic of diversity and inclusion in higher education, but also to foster a more holistic perception of campus life and, ultimately, we hope, a greater sense of respect and belonging among all members of the Vanier community.

With this in mind, we welcome not only faculty members, administrators, and professional staff to attend our conference, but also students, as they are the key stakeholders in this domain.

To register, please visit http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/psi/discomfort-zones/discomfort-zones-conference-registration/.

We kindly ask that you also disseminate this invitation to your students if you are a faculty member, as well as any other individuals you know outside of Vanier who would be interested in the topic of the conference.

Check out the Snapshot Schedule at the end of Intercom. We look forward to seeing you at the conference!

***Alan Wong, English Department***

# *Music for the Eye* – an international workshop at Vanier

Vanier College is pleased to announce that it will host an international workshop called "**Music for the Eye**" from May 31st to June 1st, 2017. During the 2-day workshop, a group of international music scholars from Europe and North America will present the results of past research focussed on French works from the late nineteenth century that involve some degree of separation between the visual subject and sound.

Their presentations will serve as a stimulus for the action-research that will take place during the rest of the workshop, especially the performances of excerpts from 19th century musical works for the theatre and marionettes that have been restored or "re-created" especially for this occasion. These unique marionette performances will take place in the evening of May 31st and will be open to the public.

Here's a list of works that will be performed:

1) Act IV from Maurice Bouchor's French adaptation of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest* for marionette theatre, with live music by Ernest Chausson
2) The opening of Paul Vidal and Paul Margueritte's *Pierrot assassin de sa femme* for piano and mime
3) Selections from George Fragerolle's *L'Étoile* for piano with recitants (melodrama) and projection of original images by Henri Rivière

“Our performance of *The Tempest* is of particular interest, because we will be using the same kind of puppets that Bouchor used in 1888. They are called "marionette à claviers”. We had to have these built (at great expense) by a master puppet builder in Prague, Czech Republic,” says Caterina Flint, musicologist at Vanier College and head organizer of this event.

See photos of the marionettes and a link to a short video clip about the project as well as a website that has been set up for the workshop.

VIDEO
https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BwW1WJ_Q1mwQWkUwVnFubjlpenc/view

WEBSITE
http://musiquespourloeil.emf.oicrm.org/

Don’t miss the public performance at 7:30 pm on May 31st in the Auditorium. There is also an Open Dress Rehearsal that day from 3 pm to 5 pm if you are interested.

***Marguerite Corriveau, Vanier Communications***

# ELIJAH

## CHŒUR ST-LAURENT • ST. LAWRENCE CHOIR

Philippe Bourque, directeur artistique • Artistic Director

## ORCHESTRE DE CHAMBRE McGILL
## McGILL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Boris Brott, directeur artistique • Artistic Director

## VANIER COLLEGE CHOIR

**Felix Mendelssohn : Elijah**

Philippe Bourque, chef
Aline Kutan, soprano
Lauren Segal, mezzo-soprano
Michael Colvin, ténor
James Westman, baryton
(Elijah)

**LE MARDI 9 MAI 2017 • 19 H 30**
**TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017 • 7:30 P.M.**

Église Saint-Jean-Baptiste
4237, Henri-Julien, Montréal

**billets/tickets : placedesarts.com**

# DisComfort Zones
# d'inComfort & diversité

**Negotiating Tensions and Cultivating Belonging in Diverse College Classrooms in Quebec**

**Négocier les tensions et favoriser l'appartenance au cégep**

**9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Mai / May 17 & 18 2017**

**Auditorium (A-103), Cégep Vanier College**
**821 Avenue Sainte-Croix, Montréal, QC**

**Information & Registration/Inscription**

**www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/psi/discomfort-zones**

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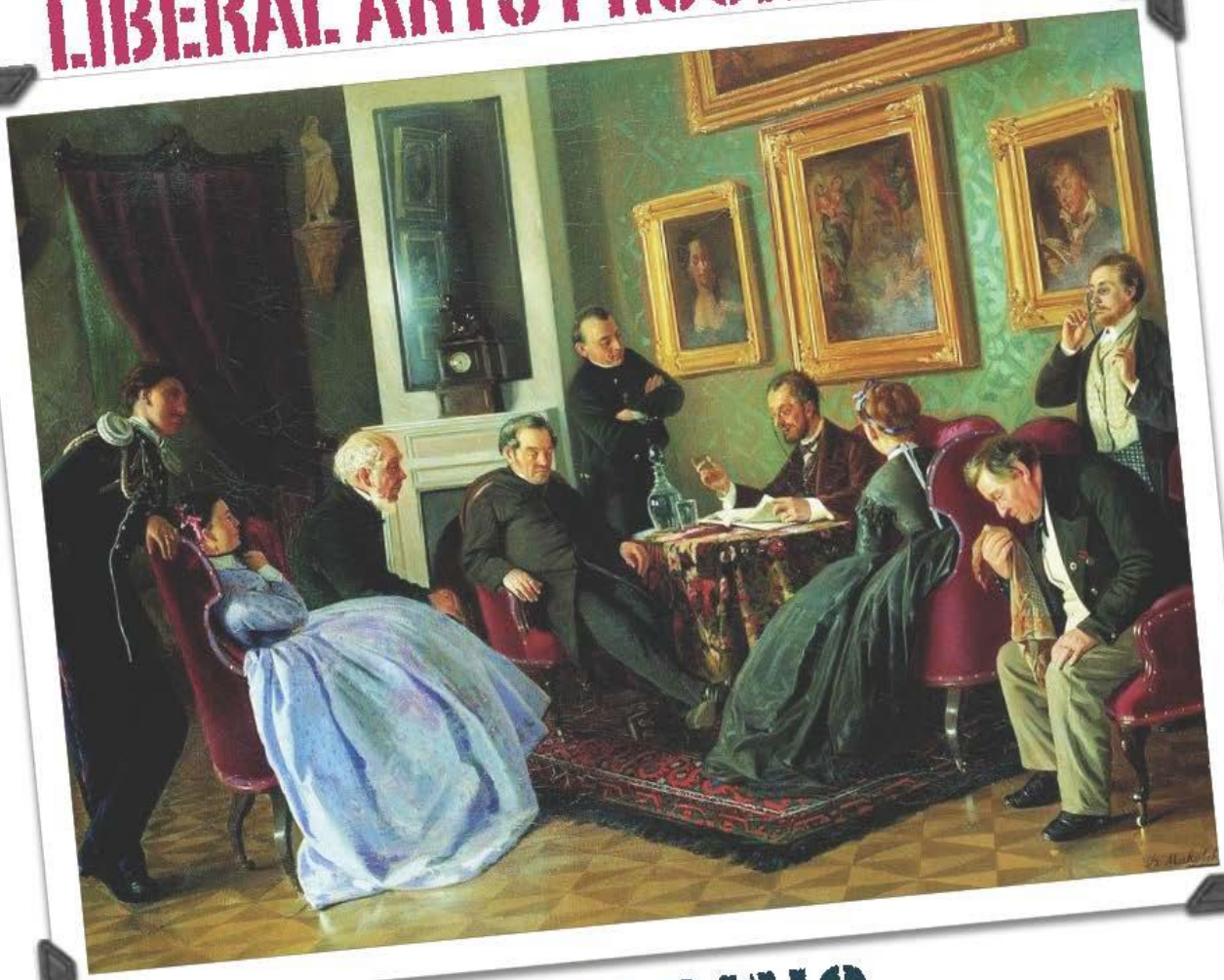
# LIBERAL ARTS PROGRAM



# LITERARY READING

## GRADUATING STUDENTS

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH, 12:00 - 1:30

### • BOARDROOM (F-216)

Graduating students from the Liberal Arts program will read their creative writing. This event is free and everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served.