

Clarke Forum

for Contemporary Issues

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Fall 2022

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Masks are Optional

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Thursday, September 8, 2022

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

The New Culture Wars: Social Media Use & Racial Discourse

Apryl Williams, University of Michigan

This lecture will explore how and why racialized discourse has become so heated in American popular internet culture. What will it take for Americans to make progress towards racial equity and how should we talk about it online and in our daily lives?

Thursday, September 15, 2022 *

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Constitution Day Conversation

The Past and Future of the Political Supreme Court

Rachel Shelden, Penn State University

John E. Jones III '77, P'11, Dickinson College

To commemorate Constitution Day in 2022, Dickinson will feature President John E. Jones, III, a retired federal judge, in a wide-ranging constitutional conversation with noted political historian Rachel Shelden. Jones and Shelden will help put several of the current bitter controversies over democratic elections, abortion, and judicial partisanship into revealing historical context.

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 *

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.

Part of the Good Life Series

Can You Still Have Fun? In Search of "The Good Life" in a Broken World

Katrina Jurgill Briddell '01, The Hershey Company

How do we live life with intention, and with wonder and delight--while witnessing the injustice, darkness, division and pain in the world? Briddell, a social impact practitioner, will share how her life was shaped by pondering these questions. She will explore lessons from her personal and professional journey--from her time studying Spanish and religion at Dickinson to her work today in social impact and sustainability--and how an evolving vision of "the Good Life" has served as a guide on her path through life.

Thursday, September 22, 2022

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Morgan Lecture

Rescuing Socrates: How the Great Books Changed My Life and Why They Matter for a New Generation

Roosevelt Montás, Columbia University

Dominican-born American academic Roosevelt Montás will tell the story of how a liberal arts education transformed his life, and will offer an intimate account of the relevance of the Great Books today, especially to members of historically marginalized communities.

Thursday, September 29, 2022 ♦ *

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Sliding Earth: Arctic Indigenous Cryo-Worlds, Environmental Risks and Human-Non-Human Collaborations

Olga Ulturgasheva, University of Manchester

This lecture will discuss how rapidity of environmental change in the Arctic challenges human adaptability and capacity to avert

ecological disasters. Ulturgasheva will explore what forms of collaboration and knowledge production are required to face uncertain environmental futures and mitigate potential disaster scenarios. Following the lecture, Dickinson's Ballet Certificate Program will perform an excerpt of ***Eveny Melody*** by **Sayan Ulturgashev**, Indigenous ballet dancer and choreographer.

Thursday, October 6, 2022 *

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Political Prisoners and Free Speech in Cuba

Jorge Olivera Castillo, City of Asylum

Nancy Alfaya Hernandez, Activist and Artist

Olivera Castillo will present autobiographical information about his experience as a television editor working under government censorship and his transition to independent journalism with Havana Press. Olivera Castillo and Alfaya Hernandez will speak about the Black Spring, the Ladies in White movement, their continued work as activists for freedom and democracy in Cuba, and the current situation for political prisoners in Cuba."

Friday, October 7, 2022 ♦

Kaufman Hall, Room 178, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Part of the Let's Talk Climate Series

Warming in the Arctic: Why Do We Need to Care?

Ben Edwards, Dickinson College

The Arctic is critical to our understanding of global warming and climate change. Melting of the Greenland ice sheet and the freshening of North Atlantic waters will have negative ecological and climatological consequences. Arctic geopolitics are also moving to the global stage, in part as a result of Russia's international ambitions and their impacts on current and future NATO members. This discussion will consider a few critical natural components of the Arctic (sea ice, permafrost, glaciers) and their potential impacts on geopolitics.

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 *

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Journalism in Conflict: Reporting from Ukraine and Beyond

Anthony Borden, Institute for War & Peace Reporting

Borden will discuss the work of the Institute for War & Peace Reporting (IWPR), whose mission is to “empower local voices to drive change in countries in conflict, crisis, and transition.” He will discuss the role of IWPR and local journalists in the fight against hate speech and propaganda, and consider the importance of reliable information and public debate in global conflict zones, like Ukraine.

Thursday, October 13, 2022

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Keynote for Dickinson’s Multifaith Week

Public Engagement, Organizing, and the Role of Faith-Based Institutions

Michael Pappas ’83, San Francisco Interfaith Council

In this lecture, Pappas will discuss his journey from the world of politics and investing to becoming an ordained priest in the Greek Orthodox Church to currently serving as the executive director of the San Francisco Interfaith Council. Pappas will explore the importance of faith-based institutions in community organizing and addressing community needs.

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

The Murder of Madam Bessie Jones in Carlisle

J. M. West, Author, *Madam Bessie Jones*

Carmen James, Local Historian

Pat LaMarche (moderator), Charles Bruce Foundation

Ron Turo, Cumberland County

This October marks the 50th anniversary of the murder of Bessie Jones, who ran a brothel in Carlisle in the mid-20th century. The murder remains unsolved, but Jones’s story is remarkable—she was a black entrepreneur whose clients were exclusively white men. West will provide an overview of Jones’s life and the made-for-television legal case associated with her death. The panel will discuss the complex racial, gender, and sexuality issues that the case brings to light.

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Free Speech on Campus

Sigal Ben-Porath, University of Pennsylvania

Can a university be committed to both free speech and inclusion? Ben-Porath will suggest ways to promote both, as part of an approach she calls ‘inclusive freedom.’

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This schedule is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, so please refer to the website for the most updated information.



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2022 FALL SEMESTER THEME

THE ARCTIC

As global warming starts to drive noticeable climate change, the Arctic is the frontline for many of those changes. This region of our planet, which has a rich human and natural history, has been in general one of the few places where transnational cooperation, through the Arctic Council, has been a dominant theme. But recent events in Ukraine are reaching into the far north, as the other seven countries within the Council have now decided to boycott the Council’s current chair, Russia. The fall 2022 theme will consider the past, present, and future of the Arctic, including social justice issues for Indigenous peoples, ecological change, and how global warming will both impede and foster Arctic development. This theme will illustrate the ways in which the Arctic is a region in transition and that understanding that transition is critical to our collective future.

♦ Denotes a program that is part of the theme

LEADERSHIP IN AN AGE OF UNCERTAINTY SERIES

The Clarke Forum established a series of programmatic events dedicated to the theme of leadership in an age of uncertainty. This initiative is grounded on the reality that today’s generation of Dickinson students confronts a large number of intractable political, economic, and social problems. How Dickinsonians respond to these challenges presents us with an opportunity for reflection on the meaning of leadership in the contemporary world. This series is partially supported by a fund created by Betty R. ’58 and Dan Churchill.

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