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HCCC PARTNERS WITH EASTERN MILLWORK TO CREATE JOINT DEGREE AND APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM IN ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

Hudson County Community College (HCCC)
President Dr. Chris Reber announced that
the College has entered into a partnership
with Eastern Millwork, Inc. (EMI) to develop and
implement a joint apprenticeship and Associate
of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Advanced
Manufacturing.

The partnership stems from the College's expansion of its Workforce Development program, and Eastern Millwork's need for employees trained in advanced manufacturing.

"The increasingly global nature of advanced manufacturing poses great challenges to companies like EMI that are faced with difficulty in finding highly skilled, experienced workers," Dr. Reber said. "Apprentices who complete this earn-while-youlearn program will climb the career ladder and acquire their A.A.S. degree without any college debt. We are proud to have forged this partnership with EMI, which will ultimately benefit the economic prosperity of our region."

"Ours is a very specialized industry; one that has been struggling to find qualified, skilled talent," said Eastern Millwork President/Owner



Students can enter into a joint apprenticeship with Eastern Millwork, an industry leader in custom and high-end automated, woodwork manufacturing and installation, and Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Advanced Manufacturing.

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On the cover: Pictured from left: Dr. Chris Reber, HCCC President; Dr. John Marlin, Dean of Instruction; Lori Margolin, Dean, Continuing Education and Workforce Development; Andrew Campbell, Eastern Millwork President/Owner; and Dr. Eric Friedman, Executive Vice President and Provost.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE STRENGTHENS ITS COMMITMENT TO STUDENT SUCCESS; JOINS ACHIEVING THE DREAM NATIONAL NETWORK

our colleges from four states have strengthened their commitment to improving student success by becoming among the first institutions to join the 2019 Cohort of the Achieving the Dream (ATD) National Network. Achieving the Dream leads a growing network of community colleges across America committed to helping their students – particularly low-income students and students of color – achieve their goals for academic success, personal growth, and economic opportunity.

The following colleges are among the first to join the ATD Network for 2019:

- College of Lake County (IL)
- Hudson County Community College (NJ)
- Pitt Community College (NC)
- Sacramento City College (CA)

"We are pleased to welcome these four outstanding institutions into our Network. Colleges like these, that join the ATD Network, show an exceptional commitment to becoming the kind of institution that will lead the nation into the future," said Dr. Karen A. Stout, president and CEO of Achieving the Dream. "We look forward to having other colleges join them as we continue to build a strong 2019 Cohort."



Community Colleges Count

"I worked with ATD in a previous community college presidency and know first-hand how effective it can be in partnering with colleges to employ data and best practices in the work of ensuring successful outcomes for students," said Hudson County Community College President Dr. Chris Reber. "The entire HCCC community is proud to join the 2019 cohort of new ATD member colleges, and we look forward to working with the ATD community college network and team."

Teams from each of the four colleges will join teams from the 2019 cohort at the annual three-day experience ATD Kickoff Institute, which includes an introduction to ATD's capacity-building framework and companion Institutional Capacity Assessment Tool (ICAT), which enables colleges to pinpoint their strengths and areas for improvement.

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AWARD-WINNING CHEF JESSE JONES BRINGS HIS NATIONALLY ACCLAIMED SOUTHERN CUISINE TO HCCC FOUNDATION POP-UP DINING **FUNDRAISING EVENT**

hef Jesse Jones inherited his passion for cooking from family matriarchs and learned his technique at Hudson County Community College (HCCC).

The nationally acclaimed chef returns to HCCC for a pop-up dining event - a five-course fundraiser - featuring his signature "Southern cooking with a country French twist" and wine pairings. The event takes place at 7 p.m. on Friday, February 8, 2019 at the HCCC Culinary Conference Center located at 161 Newkirk Street in Jersey City. The cost is \$75 per person. Proceeds will provide scholarships to deserving HCCC students. Reservations can be made by calling (201) 360-4006 or at the following link: https://bit.ly/2Pg2Ras

Jesse Jones has worked nationally and appeared in cooking competitions, demos, and fundraisers. His technique has been enjoyed by celebrities including John Legend, "Sunny" Hostin, Tyler Perry, and Michelle Williams, and has been featured on many television programs. Known for



Jesse is the author of POW! My Life in 40 Feasts, a memoir and cookbook.

Chef Jesse's passion for cooking began with his mother Mildred Jones and grandmother Hannah Lewis Jones. Growing up in New Jersey, he spent his childhood summers in rural North Carolina where big house and field cooking demanded creativity. He honed his culinary vision using a cast-

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Middle States Team Visit his charisma and natural storytelling talent, Chef

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Middle States

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, March 31 –

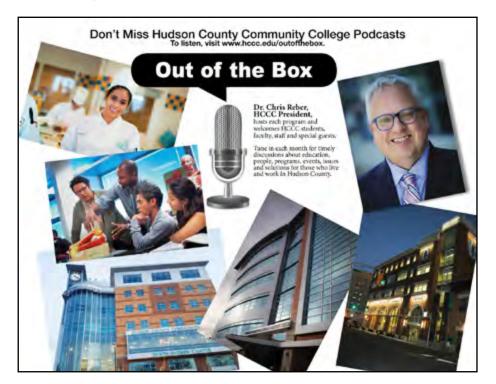
Dr. Eric Friedman, Accreditation Liaison Officer, discusses the Middle States accreditation process with

HCCC LAUNCHES PODCAST, 'OUT OF THE BOX'

n January, Hudson County Community College began a podcast series titled "Out of the Box."

Hosted each month by HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber, "Out of the Box" will feature timely discussions about education, people, programs, events, issues, and solutions that affect the people of Hudson County.

In January, Dr. Chris Reber was joined by HCCC Dean of Enrollment Lisa Dougherty, and Student Government Association Vice President Warren Rigby in a discussion about the free tuition, Community College Opportunity Grant.





Antonio Acevedo, Editorial Assistant for the Self-Study, answers questions during a Middle States Open Forum for students on Jan. 31.

Middle States Update

n January, the third draft of the Self-Study for Middle States accreditation was sent out to the College community for review and comments. The document had undergone some changes since the last draft was shared.

The editing team has been reviewing all of the comments that were submitted through the special email address selfstudycomments@hccc.edu.

Also in January, a special session was held especially for students, at which members of the Self-Study team discussed background on accreditation, the importance of reviewing drafts, the standards and requirements of affiliation, the links between the College's Mission, the Strategic Plan, and the Middle States Standards and Requirements of Affiliation. Students were given an open opportunity to ask questions at the session and to discuss aspects of the document. The completed Self-Study will be sent to the visiting team and uploaded onto the Middle States site by Feb. 15.

Earlier in the month, a draft agenda for the upcoming visit was sent to Dr. DeRionne Pollard, the Chairperson of the visiting team, for review. The visit begins on Sunday, March 31 with a dinner at the Culinary Conference Center on Newkirk Street.

INTRODUCING...



Archana Bhandari, Executive Director of Online Learning

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) announced that Archana Bhandari has been appointed Executive Director of Online Learning.

Ms. Bhandari has a unique combination of leadership, technical expertise and teaching experience. She comes to HCCC from Santa Ana College – part

of the Rancho Santiago Community College District in California – where she was Director of Academic Support. In that position, she provided leadership for technology infrastructure, information technology systems hardware and software. In addition, she spearheaded technology policy review and recommendations. She significantly contributed to the District's strategic plan for technology and was involved with the Distance Learning community in its migration to Canvas, the online learning platform.

At the University of Maryland School of Social Work from 2009 to 2015, Ms. Bhandari served as Director of the Instructional Technology Department and gained extensive experience in developing hybrid and technology-enhanced course offerings and established rubrics for online courses. She was also responsible for creating online and technology-supported resources for students and new faculty, as well as developing self-paced online new programs to assist faculty in technology use.

From 2004 to 2009, Ms. Bhandari was the Academic Technology Specialist for Notre Dame University of Baltimore. There, she managed the faculty's technology needs and worked closely with a team of directors to guide the development of the university's ongoing technological improvement projects.

Archana Bhandari holds a Master of Science in Management Information Systems from Bowie State University in Maryland, and a Graduate Diploma in Higher Education from Unitec Institute of Technology. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics degree from the University of Delhi (New Delhi, India), a Computer Software and Applications Certificate from the National Institute of Information Technology (New Delhi, India), and an Information Systems Analyst Certificate from Bowie State University. She brings to HCCC a wealth of knowledge about online learning and is highly respected by her peers and supervisors.

MODIFICATION OF STAFFING TABLE – TITLE CHANGES

Salim Bendaoud, Interim Associate Dean of S'

Interim Associate Dean of STEM Division to Assistant Professor, STEM Division

Linda Guastini,

Executive Administrative Assistant to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs to Executive Administrative Assistant to the Executive Vice President and Provost

Courtney Payne, Full-Time Non-Tenure Track Instructor to Full-Time Tenure-Track Baking Instructor

NEW HIRES/NEW TITLES

Cheryl Cashell, Director, Radiography Program Fidelis Foda-Kahouho, Instructor, Mathematics Clive Li, Instructor, Engineering Science

MILESTONES

Congratulations to the following on their anniversary with Hudson County Community College!

> **Five Years** Kelly Garay

For professional development workshops, opportunities, and other resources, please visit the Faculty and Staff Development page at http://my.hccc.edu

JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:

Academic Lab Coordinator

Adjunct Faculty-Sociology and Anthropology

Adjunct Positions (Fall/Summer 2018)

Adjunct Positions (Nursing and Health Sciences)

Adjunct Faculty - Medical-Surgical Clinical Instruction

Adjunct Faculty - Medical-Surgical Theory Instruction

Adjunct Faculty - Psychiatric Clinical Instruction

Advisor PT

Associate Director of Advisement & Counseling

Career Advisor PT

Certified Nurse Aide Instructor

Clinical Nurse Specialist

College Lecturer, Nursing

College Librarian Archivist PT

Community Education Instructors PT

(multiple positions)

Counselor

Custodial Worker

Customer Service Assistant PT (2 positions)

Digital Marketing Services Manager

Director of Institutional Research

Director of Library Technology

Head Tutor - Math, Science, & Business

Hemodialysis Technician Instructor PT

HR Office Assistant PT

Instructor, Accounting

Instructor for the Center for Business & Industry

Learning Management System Administrator

Part-Time Librarion

Sign Language Interpreter (PT)

Transitional Program Lecturer

Vice President for Human Resources

To apply, please submit a letter of application, resume, salary requirements, & three references to:

Hudson County Community College Human Resources Department 70 Sip Avenue, Third Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306 resumes@hccc.edu

Applicants for instructor and adjunct positions must submit transcripts.

For more information, please visit the New Jersey Higher Education Recruitment Consortium website at www.njherc.org, the Higher-EdJobs.com website at www.higheredjobs.com, www.latinoshighered.com or contact the Human Resources Department at (201) 360-4070. For a detailed description of these positions, please visit the "Jobs @ HCCC" page at www.hccc.edu.

NEW JOURNAL SQUARE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING



HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber (left) and New Journal Square Community Association President Bill Armbruster at the Association's Jan. 12 meeting.

n Saturday, Jan. 12, the New Journal Square Community Association held its monthly meeting at the Gabert Library at Hudson County Community College.

HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber, Executive Vice President & Provost Dr. Eric Friedman, and Director of Cultural Affair Michelle Vitale were featured speakers during the meeting.

HCCC PARTICIPATES IN HORIZON BCBSNJ HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION CASE CHALLENGE



Representatives of Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield with Team New Horizons (Catherine Joy Purino, Joe Brusini, and Justin Daniels-Williams) and Sharon Daughtry, College Lecturer – Business.

Hudson County Community College's Business, Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management Division was well represented by three students from Prof. Peter Cronrath's marketing class participating in the Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey Health Care Transformation Case Challenge.

HCCC was one of six teams selected to make a final presentation at Horizon Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey headquarters in Newark to present their innovative solution aimed to improve how their peers can take an active role in their health to a panel of marketing and technology judges. The other teams were from New Jersey Institute of Technology, Rutgers University, and William Paterson University.

HCCC's team, "New Horizons," composed of Joseph Brusini, Cathryn Joy Purino, and Justin Daniels-Williams, were accompanied by Business Professor Sharon Daughtry to the final presentation on Nov. 30, 2018, and took third place in this challenge and will share in a \$2,000 prize. Go team "New Horizons," and congratulations!

HCCC UPDATES LIBRARY SIGNAGE



udson County Community College recently installed signage at 71 Sip Avenue to reflect the building's new name.

The Gabert Library was renamed in honor of Dr. Glen Gabert, who was President of the College from September 1992 to June 2018. The original Library Building opened in the fall of 2014.

The six-story, multifunctional structure is 112,000 square feet overall. Entrance to the building from Sip Avenue is available through a soaring, two-story lobby. When renovation of the Student

Center (at 81 Sip Avenue) is complete, visitors in one building will be able to access the other through a mutual throughway.

Other amenities of the building include the Library on the first two floors and the Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery, plus an exhibit space, the College's 9/11 Monument, and three classrooms on the sixth floor, as well as a rooftop terrace. A dedicated theatre arts studio recently opened on the fifth floor.

ALL COLLEGE COUNCIL NEWS

uring the Spring 2019 semester, the All College Council will accept nominations, and hold election, for the ACC Steering Committee (Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary). The Council will seek nominations early this month. Please save the date for an appreciation luncheon in the spring for all members (Thursday, May 2, 12:30 p.m.).

The Council will hold general meetings on the following dates during Spring 2019:

- Wednesday, February 27 at 3:30 p.m., Gabert Library, Sixth Floor Atrium
- Thursday, March 14 at 12:30 p.m. (College Hour), STEM Building, Multipurpose Room (tentative)
- Wednesday, April 24 at 3:30 p.m., STEM Building, Multipurpose Room (tentative)

Please save the date for the Employee Scholarship Luncheon for Thursday, April 11 at 12:30 p.m. in the Gabert Library, Sixth Floor Atrium

Please contact drossilli@hccc.edu if you wish to volunteer to serve in the spring semester.

ENROLLMENT SERVICES NEWS

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION



Hudson County Community College President Dr. Chris Reber greets students new to HCCC for the Spring 2019 term during New Student Orientation on Thursday, Jan. 24.

FINANCIAL AID UPDATE



FAFSA Completion Workshops hosted in the Office of Student Financial Assistance's computer lab. These events help students and parents complete the FAFSA online and will continue on Wednesdays through Feb. 6 at North Hudson and Feb. 13 in Journal Square.

SPRING 2019 12-WEEK QUICK TERM Begins

We're Ready When You're Ready!



Classes begin on Thursday, February 14, 2019 and end on Monday, May 20, 2019

Each class meets for 12 weeks. This a great option for students who cannot commit to a 15-week term or motivated learners who prefer a fast-paced format.

REGISTER NOW!

For a current schedule, go to www.hccc.edu/schedule Call Enrollment Services at 201.714.7200, email enrollment@hccc.edu or visit us at 70 Sip Ave., Jersey City.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT TESTING SCHEDULE For information about the College Placement Test (CPT), including this month's schedule, please visit the Testing & Assessment website at: www.hccc.edu/testschedule.

Join us for an **OPEN HOUSE**

Learn about the HCCC FOCUS and how we can help you reach your goals!

During the Open House you will learn about HCCC's:

Flexible Learning Environments

Outstanding Academic Programs

Cost Effective Education

Unlimited Transfer and Career Opportunities

Supportive Student Services









In addition, you will have an opportunity to tour our campus, meet with Financial Aid and speak personally with students, faculty, and staff.

Discover our newest programs:

Homeland Security, Addictions Counseling, Medical Billing, Exercise Science, and Construction Management.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2019 (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.) Arrive at 9:30 a.m. to check in!

JOURNAL SQUARE CAMPUS

Culinary Conference Center 161 Newkirk St., Jersey City (two blocks from the Journal Square PATH Station) SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019 (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.) Arrive at 9:30 a.m. to check in!

NORTH HUDSON CAMPUS

4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City (adjacent to the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail Bergenline Avenue Transit Station)

Apply to HCCC at the Open House and have your \$25 application fee waived! RSVP Today at www.hccc.edu/openhouse or contact admissions@hccc.edu

HCCC PROCEEDS WITH CONSTRUCTION OF STUDENT CENTER BUILDING



t its regular meeting on Jan. 15, the Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees voted to award the renovation of the Student Center, which will be located at 81 Sip Ave., to APS Contracting Inc. of Paterson for \$6,097,000. The contract for the architecture and engineering of the building was awarded to Di Cara | Rubino Architects of Wayne for \$90,000. Both projects will be financed through Chapter 12 (a state program for county colleges) funds. The Board approved a revised budget for renovation project, at a cost not to exceed \$8,232,378.

The two-story building will consist of approximately 26,000 square feet with mezzanine and lower levels. The building will include new HVAC systems, an emergency generator, a new



roof, sprinklers, elevators, and inside access to the Gabert Library on the first floor.

Features of the building by floor include:

- First Floor: student lounge, student center, café (with vending), Security command center, and an indoor connection to the Gabert Library.
- Second Floor: offices for Student Life, Student Government, and student organizations, a multi-purpose room, and an open lounge.
- Lower Level: office space for Security, Facilities, and Custodial Services, and storage space

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY-NEWARK LEADERS VISIT HCCC TO DISCUSS HONORS LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITY



n Wednesday, January 30, partners from Rutgers University-Newark visited Hudson County Community College's Journal Square Campus to discuss emerging opportunities for HCCC students.

Dr. Timothy K. Eatman, Dean of the Honors Living-Learning Community, and Dr. John Gunkel, Vice Chancellor for Academic Programs and Strategic Partnerships, met with HCCC faculty and staff Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay, Jenny Bobea, Philip Cafasso, Dr. John Marlin, Elizabeth Nesius, Katie Sweeting, Lauren O'Gara, Laurie Riccadonna, Jeremiah Teipen, and Christopher Wahl.

The group explored a partnership with the Honors Living-Learning Community. Through a Mellon grant, the Rutgers HLLC has created a Humanities Scholars Program, which will build seamless pathways for students to earn undergraduate degrees in several humanities disciplines. The first cohort of Clement A. Price Humanities Scholars will be selected for Fall 2019 from among incoming transfer students admitted to the HLLC and current HLLC sophomores who are interested in humanities careers.

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, representatives will return to campus to speak at the Honors Program Orientation Session. All students – Honors and non-Honors – are invited.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE NEWS



Lt. Keith Miano from the New Jersey Transit Police Department speaks with Prof. Walker's "Police Role in the Community" students on Thursday, Dec. 6.



Richard Walker (left), Lecturer, Criminal Justice, donated his criminal justice book, Inclusive VERITAS and Justice: Digging the Reparative Opportunity for Violent and Non-Violent Offenders to the Gabert Library on Dec. 17. He is pictured with, from left, Ellen Renaud, Librarian; Philip Cafasso, Associate Dean, Humanities & Social Sciences Division; and David Hargrove, former Interim Dean of Libraries.



Your Personal Information Is Like Money: Value It. Protect It.

Join ITS for a workshop on privacy. In the workshop, ITS will remind you of the pitfalls of keeping personal information private in our digitally connected world. You will learn a few key strategies to keep what's private, private. There will be time for questions and discussion.

Thursday, February 7, 2019, 11 a.m. STEM Building, 263 Academy Street, Room 617, Jersey City, NJ 07306

Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP by emailing Sandra Aviles at saviles@hccc.edu

Foundation Art Collection

The Hudson County Community College Foundation Art Collection, which includes artworks in media from painting and sculpture, photographs, American craft pottery, and ephemera, reveals aspects of America's and New Jersey's rich artistic and cultural history from the Hudson River School period to today. In recent years, the College's acquisition efforts have focused on strengthening its American and New Jersey modern, and contemporary collections.

Each month, this page in HCCC Happenings provides updates on artists whose work is in the collection, and new additions to the collection.

DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Thanks to the EFA Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop for the generous donation of the print *Luis* by Jazmine Catasus (2018)

ARTIST NEWS

One of the works you might have noticed in our permanent exhibit of American artists of the 1960s on the first floor of 2 Enos Place is a print by Richard Artschwager, which is just a black oval shape on white cardstock.

He called them "blps." If you like that blps, you can see many more at a new exhibition: "Richard Artschwager: Self-Portraits and the American Southwest" at David Nolan Gallery, 527 West 29th Street in Manhattan through Feb. 23.

It is strange to write this about a black oval, but Artschwager's blps have been given serious attention by major arts institutions: According to the Museum of Modern Art website, "Richard Artschwager's unique ovular forms were prevalent in the late 1970s and 1980s. The artist placed them in various locations around New York City, including subway platforms and smokestacks. His intention was to bring the public's attention to surfaces and structures that usually go unnoticed. Installed throughout the hallways and stairwells of MoMA PS1, they highlight the building's architecture and reference the way in which visitors move through the space." Here's a short video made by the Whitney Museum about the blps, available at https:// bit.ly/2MCWOrX.

One of the pranksters of New York's art world is art dealer Jim Kempner, who, since 2010, has filmed a series called "The Madness of Art: short humorous videos about the crazy art world." His most recent video, "We Never Tire of Chakaia," is about the artist **Chakaia Booker**, who makes art out of automobile tires. Perhaps you have seen the Booker tire sculptures in the Foundation Art Collection in the STEM Building lobby or the Admissions area at 70 Sip Avenue?



Kudzu and Stepped Road by Anne Q. McKeown (1993) Oil on Panel. This work can be seen on the 4th Floor of A Building, 70 Sip Avenue.

In this episode, his new gallery assistant, told to clean a Booker sculpture, takes it to a local car wash. https://vimeo.com/310213557 In the real world, of course, you would ask the artist, who might suggest using WD40.

Greg Kwiatec, whose painting "Channel 5" is installed in the second floor corridor of the Culinary Conference Center (161 Newkirk Street), will be in an exhibit called "American Psyche" through April 15 at the Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts (EFA), 323 West 39th Street, 3rd Floor, New York City. Kwiatec writes of his current paintings, "We live in a time where darkness has a voice, not only here in the United States, but globally. A reawakening of history's darkest moments and characters." Coincidentally, the current Dineen Hull Gallery exhibit also comes from the EFA. Curated by Essye Klempner, it's called "Notes and Tones: Jazz Influences on the EFA Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop." (For more information, please see article on page 9.)

Joan Snyder's work, on view in the "Epic Abstraction" show at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, got a special mention in a recent review in The New York Times: "... one of the standouts is ... Joan Snyder's 1971 'Smashed Strokes Hope,' a mural-like canvas whose big strokes of color float separately in space, like words." (Roberta Smith, New York Times, Dec. 20, 2018)

Closer to home: Joan Snyder's work is on permanent exhibit in the fourth floor Academic Affairs reception area at 70 Sip Avenue and in the student lounge area of the Nursing Program on the first floor of 870 Bergen Avenue.

John Walker, whose work Diagonal "Hollyhocks" is installed in the Nursing Program Media Lab at the Joseph Cundari Center (870 Bergen Ave.), will be having an exhibition, "John Walker: Moments of Observation," at the Sheldon Museum of Art in Lincoln, Nebraska through July 14. If you happen to be in Nebraska, you might enjoy checking it out.

"New Directions in Fiber Art" through June 16 at the Montclair Museum includes works by many artists in the Foundation Art Collection. Featured artists include Nancy Cohen (you can also see her work in the Dean's office on the mezzanine level at 870 Bergen Ave.); Caroline McAuliffe (whose work we hope to install later this year); Anne Q. McKeown (her work can be seen in the Welcome Center at the North Hudson Campus, on the fourth floor of 70 Sip Avenue (Building A), and on the second floor of 2 Enos Place); Faith Ringgold (whose work can be seen both on the third and sixth floors of the Gabert Library); and Woolpunk (whose work can be seen on the fifth floor of the STEM Building at 263 Academy Street)

To make a donation to the Foundation Art Collection, please contact Nicholas A. Chiaravalloti, J.D., Ed.D., Vice President for Planning and Development/Assistant to the President, at nchiaravalloti@hccc.edu, (201) 360-4009. For detailed information regarding donating artwork, please visit https://www.hccc.edu/foundationartcollection.



Membership in the Hudson County Community College Foundation's dining series is your opportunity to enjoy world-class dining and service in your own backyard, and to help the College in realizing its goals of assisting deserving students! Our Executive Chef, team of culinary professionals, and students make meals at the Culinary Arts Institute into experiences to remember.

FEATURES OF THE PROGRAM:

- Membership includes lunch in Hudson County Community College's Culinary Arts Institute on eight Fridays during the Spring 2019 semester: March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22, April 5, April 12, April 26, and May 3.
- Service hours are 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Cost of membership is \$995 per table for a maximum of four guests.
- Meal includes 4-course luncheon and non-alcoholic beverages.
- · Alcoholic beverages include a full bar charged at a nominal rate.

For more information contact 201-360-4009 or email us at nchiaravalloti@hccc.edu





HCCC PRESENTS "NOTES AND TONES" ART EXHIBITION AND LIVE JAZZ TO CELEBRATE GROUNDBREAKING PRINTMAKER AND JAZZ AFICIONADO ROBERT BLACKBURN



udson County Community College ▲ (HCCC) invites the community to experience the immersive blending of visual arts and live jazz performances celebrating innovative printmaker and nationally acclaimed artist Robert Blackburn. HCCC Department of Cultural Affairs kicks off its 2019 Spring season with the "Notes and Tones: Jazz Influences on the EFA Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop" exhibition, which opened on Tuesday, Jan. 29 and runs through March 1. The events will be held at the Dineen Hull Gallery located at 71 Sip Avenue in Jersey City.

The exhibition coincides Divas, Willie Birch with the College's annual Georgia Brooks celebration.

Highlights include a live hot-jazz performance featuring The Ladybugs during the Opening Reception on Tuesday, Feb. 5 from 5 – 7 p.m.; the performance will be recorded and broadcast by WBGO. Jersey City masking tape artist Kayt Hester will also create a live mural installation in the Dineen Hull Atrium at the exhibition opening. The Closing Reception on March 1, which is also "JC Fridays," will feature a jazz performance from "Thinking in Full Color" alumna and songstress Audrey Martells, who will be accompanied by Belden Bullock on bass.

The "Notes and Tones" exhibition is a themed compilation of prints created by nationally recognized artists. The exhibition is in partnership with the Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop, a program of the Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts.

Blackburn held similar ideologies to the local jazz communities of the late 1960s. This indie spirit glistens through the jazz-inspired exhibition curated by Essye Klempner. The exhibition features stunning works such as "And Still I Rise," a portrait of poet Maya Angelou by Otto Neals. Also included are works by Blackburn, Benny Andrews, Romare Bearden, Camille Billops, Willie Birch, Betty Blayton, Kay Brown, Vivian Browne, Mel Edwards, Maren

Hassinger, Robin Holder, Dindga McCannon, Mavis Pusey, Vernal Reuben, Betye Saar, Vincent Smith, Mildred Thompson, and Michael Kelly Williams.

The EFA Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop in New York City opened in 2005 as a cooperative printmaking workspace modeled after the original that Blackburn operated from 1948 to 2001. The program inspires and fosters a racially, ethnically, and culturally diverse artistic community dedicated to crafting fine art prints in an environment that embraces technical and aesthetic exploration, innovation and collaboration. From its beginning with one lithography press, Blackburn's workshop was shared with artist-printmakers. New techniques were pioneered with artists such as Will Barnet, Jacob Lawrence and Romare Bearden throughout the 1950s. Blackburn also collaborated with and introduced printmaking to artists such as Robert Rauschenberg, Jasper Johns, Helen Frankenthaler and Robert Motherwell.

The exhibition will also include a closer look at community partner WBGO, a celebrated nonprofit national radio station based in of Newark, NJ.

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HCCC DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS PRESENTS THE WORK OF JESSE WRIGHT IN 'TEACHER AS ARTIST' EXHIBITION

t a time when individuals are divided by physical boundaries and sociopolitical issues, educator and artist Jesse Wright's portraits seek to champion making connections, promoting empathy, and considering one another's stories.

The Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Department of Cultural Affairs invites the community to view Wright's work in the newest "Teacher as Artist" exhibition now through March 30, 2019. His work is displayed in the College's Gabert Library at 71 Sip Avenue in Jersey City and North Hudson Campus Library at 4800 Kennedy Boulevard in Union City. A reception with the artist will be held on Friday, March 1 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the HCCC Dineen Hull Gallery Atrium, which is located on the sixth floor of the Gabert Library. There is no charge for admission to the exhibition or the reception.

Jesse Wright teaches at the Goldman Sachs Student Art Program in Jersey City and Eastern Christian High School in Haledon. He received his Bachelor of Arts from the School of Visual Arts in New York City. Wright draws upon his background in painting and commercial design, as well as his humanitarian work to explore spiritual connections underlying daily experience through his mixed

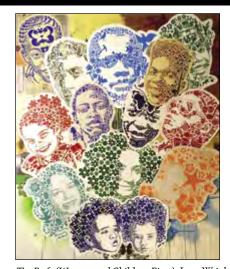
media painting, printmaking, and video. Wright's blended visual styles also reference his Jamaican American heritage. His work has been presented in galleries, universities, and museums throughout the

The portraits in this "Teacher as Artist" exhibition were inspired by Wright's humanitarian work at underserved and disenfranchised communities orphanages, medical centers, schools, and displacement camps - in Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Uganda, and the United States.

Curated by HCCC Cultural Affairs Director Michelle Vitale, the "Teacher as Artist" solo exhibitions throughout the year celebrate the creativity of Hudson County educators who are also local artists.

The HCCC Department of Cultural Affairs' 2019 Spring calendar of events features an array of visual and performing artists, exhibitions, and programs. They include ice sculpting, literature, yoga, art history, poetry and prose, folkloric dance, and more.

The HCCC Gabert Library is open Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The HCCC North Hudson Campus Library is open Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



The Raft (Woman and Children First), Jesse Wright

More information may be obtained at www. hccc.edu/cultural-affairs, by emailing Cultural Affairs Director Michelle Vitale at mvitale@hccc. edu, or by phoning 201-360-4176.

CONTINUING EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Upcoming CE Courses

Ask about CE's February and March **Business** & **Personal Enrichment** courses: Infographics, Self-Publishing Master Class, and Mastering Public Speaking. Contact cangel@hccc.edu for more information.

CE's **Pre-NLN test prep** course will run from February 23 to March 30. Contact cangel@hccc.edu for more information or register at www.hccc.edu/continuingeducation.

On February 21, Rising Tide Capital will host an information session for the Community Business Academy, an immersive 12-week course that offer hands-on training in business planning and management. The English session will begin on February 23. Contact cfarrell@hccc.edu for more information and to register.

Food Business Bootcamp is back on February 23! Learn directly from industry experts, who will share the tools and strategies needed to move food ideas from concept to reality. Gain skills to develop solid business plans and prepare to sell your culinary creations in retail environments. Contact cfarrell@hccc.edu for more information or register at foodbusinessbootcamp.eventbrite.com

Register for New Culinary Courses at tinyurl. com/hcccculinary1819. Contact cfarrell@hccc.edu for Group Discounts when purchasing 4 or more tickets to the same class!

Valentine's Date Night

Date: Friday, February 8 Time: 6 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Price: \$75

Fresh Mozzarella Cheese Making

Date: Saturday, February 9 Time: 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. Price: \$50

Chocolate Lovers

Date: Saturday, February 16

Time: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Price: \$55

Gourmet Vegetarian

Date: Saturday, February 23 Time: 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

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Price: \$60

Dumplings & WontonsDate: Saturday, February 23

Time: 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Price: \$65



Delicious creations from CE's Pizza Making Workshop with Chef Robert Levinshon on Dec. 1.



Freshly baked pies in the works at CE's Fall Harvest Pies class with Chef Marissa Lontoc on Nov. 17.



CE's Paella & Pinot Date Night class with Chef Sean Wilson on Nov. 16 was a blast. Register today for Chef Wilson's Tapas & Sangria class on March 22!



Festive family fun at CE's Winter Wonderland Cookies class with Chef Sean Wilson on Dec. 9.



Scene from our Family & Kids Chocolate Delights class with Chef Sean Wilson on Nov. 18. Register to-day for the Chocolate Lovers class on Feb. 16!



Students learned how to make a naked cake at CE's Cake Decorating class with Chef Garima Kothari on Dec. 2



Students learned how to think outside of the box and execute on ideas at CE's Design Thinking class on Dec. 3.

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GROW YOUR BUSINESS WITH THE POWER OF CENSUS DATA (WEBINAR)

Friday March 1, 2019 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

In this webinar, you will learn about the demographic and business data available to you from the Census Bureau and how to access and use it. The exercises will cover the two CRR editions:

- The Small Business Edition, that can be used by entrepreneurs, business owners, and the advisors who work with them to understand their markets.
- The Regional Analyst Edition, that can used by chambers of commerce, regional planners, and government organizations to measure their service areas and promote smart business growth.

The webinar will be presented by Andrew Hait, Data Product and Data User Liaison in the International Trade Management Division at the U.S. Census Bureau.

This webinar is free! Space is limited! RSVP at https://tinyurl.com/ybk2usqc

6th Annual Girls in Technology Symposium



Culinary Conference Center 161 Newkirk Street, Jersey City March 28, 2019 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

- 200 girls from local high schools
- Women Working in Tech Panel
- Hands-On Learning Workshops!

Volunteers, Activity Leaders & Sponsors Welcomed! For more information contact: cfarrell@hccc.edu

"NOTES AND TONES"

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Founded in 1979, WBGO is a publicly supported cultural institution that preserves and elevates America's music: jazz and blues. The station reaches a weekly audience of more than 400,000 in the New York/New Jersey metro area via 88.3 FM. WBGO seeks to educate, entertain and inspire the public by providing access and opportunity to engage with the highest quality, curated jazz and blues programming produced in the jazz capital of the world.

The HCCC Department of Cultural Affairs' 2019 Spring calendar of events features an array of visual and performing artists, exhibitions, and programs. They include ice sculpting, literature, yoga, art history, poetry and prose, folkloric dance, and more.

The HCCC Department of Cultural Affairs welcomes Hudson County community members, organizations, businesses, and school groups to enjoy its cultural programs at the College. Groups of 6 to 30 visitors are invited to free 45-minute tours of the current exhibition. To schedule a tour, contact HCCC Cultural Affairs Director Michelle Vitale at mvitale@hccc.edu.

The Dineen Hull Gallery is located at 71 Sip Avenue, sixth floor, and is open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. More information is available at www.hccc.edu/cultural-affairs.

POP-UP DINING FUNDRAISING EVENT

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iron stove and any ingredients available to feed his inspiration in his grandmother's kitchen. He later worked at ARAMARK, and eventually managed a staff of 60 at AT&T in Bedminster.

In addition to his culinary training at HCCC, Chef Jesse earned a business certificate from Katherine Gibbs School for Business Management. He perfected his French technique under top New Jersey chefs including Dennis Foy, David Drake, and Craig Shelton.

Entrepreneurship became the charismatic chef's calling. In 2003, he opened Heart & Soul Restaurant in South Orange. Three years later, he closed the restaurant in order to focus on building his catering business, Chef Jesse Concepts. Described as approachable and familiar, yet bold and innovative, Chef Jesse's cuisine is a rare treat not to be missed.

Established in 1997, the Hudson County Community College Foundation works to find and generate the funding that provides scholarships for students, seed money for new and innovative programs, stipends for faculty development, and capital to assist the College in its physical expansion. Over the years, the Foundation has awarded more than 2,000 scholarships totaling \$2 million to deserving students. Additionally, students benefit each year from the hundreds of Book Vouchers and Knife Vouchers (for culinary students) supplied by the Foundation.

SPRING 2019 START-UP EVENTS



HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber delivers greetings during the Spring 2019 College Service Day on Tuesday, Jan. 22.



Dr. Eric Friedman, Executive Vice President and Provost delivers an opening presentation during the All College Faculty Orientation on Wednesday, Jan. 23.



Dr. Azhar Mahhood, Instructor, STEM (center), is one of two recipients of the Johnston Communications Award for Excellence in Teaching. He is pictured with Dr. Eric Friedman (left), Executive Vice President and Provost, and Lilisa Williams, Director of Faculty & Staff Development



Jeremiah Teipen (center), Associate Professor and Computer Art Coordinator, is named a recipient of the Johnston Communications Award for Excellence in Teaching, presented at the Jan. 22 College Service Day. He is pictured with Lilisa Williams (left), Director of Faculty & Staff Development, and Dr. Eric Friedman. Executive Vice President and Provost.

T○WN H△LL with President Reber

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Culinary Conference Center,
161 Newkirk Street,
Scott Ring Room
Jersey City, NJ

HCCC faculty, staff, and students are welcome and invited to bring their own brown bag lunch.

(Beverages, plates, and napkins will be available.)



Transportation is available leaving North Hudson Campus at 10:30 a.m. to Journal Square Campus and departing from the Journal Square Campus to NHC at 1:00 p.m.

ACHIEVING THE DREAM NATIONAL NETWORK

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During the Kickoff event, college teams will begin to organize their student success work for the year, including preparing for their on-campus launch in the fall. They will receive an in-depth orientation to ATD and how to leverage the power of ATD's national Network. Each college team will also meet their Leadership Coach and Data Coach. Coaches are community college leaders who are carefully matched with each institution to provide personalized advice and guidance to build needed capacities, align student success efforts, and to support change where it is needed.

Achieving the Dream will announce groups of colleges throughout the spring and will announce the full 2019 Cohort in advance of the Kickoff Institute in June.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOLDS CANDLELIGHT NURSING GRADUATION CEREMONY





Graduates of
Hudson County
Community College's
Licensed Practical
Nursing Program
with Linda SchultzWhitlock (left),
Director, Practical
Nursing Program.

he Nursing Program at Hudson County Community College (HCCC) hosted a pinning ceremony for the December 2018 Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) graduating class. The graduating class introduced 11 graduates to the nursing world.

HCCC Dean of Instruction John Marlin, Ph.D. addressed the graduates and their families and friends. Associate Dean, Nursing & Health Sciences Division Catherine A. Sirangelo delivered opening remarks, and the Director of the HCCC Practical Nursing Program Linda Schultz-Whitlock, M.Ed. presented the graduate pins. The ceremony took place on Thursday, Jan. 17 in the Culinary Conference Center at 161 Newkirk Street – just two blocks away from the Journal Square PATH Station.

Nursing is a recession-proof and rewarding career. It is also part of the growing healthcare industry that has been adding jobs at more than three times the rate of the rest of the economy. Bureau of Labor Statistics data in New Jersey shows that on average, Licensed Practical Nurses earn \$51,270 annually.

Training students to work in nursing careers, the HCCC Nursing Program includes classes in the College's state-of-the-art educational facility, The Cundari Center, which includes a mock hospital with interactive "patients" where Nursing Program students train. The program includes a theoretical base of general education and science courses together with nursing theory and practical course work designed to prepare graduates for the state licensure examination.

For additional information on the Pinning Ceremony and Nursing Program please contact Nursing & Health Sciences at (201) 360 - 4267 or visit https://www.hccc.edu/nursing/.

RADIOGRAPHY NEWS



Coat Drive

On Friday, Jan. 25, the Radiography students participated in a coat drive with the Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Health System of the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Food Drive

Hudson County Community College's Radiography students collected canned goods to donate to the Hoboken Shelter during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Holiday Toy Drive

The Radiography students collected toys to donate to the Team Walker Learning Center during the Christmas holiday. Team Walker, founded in 1996, provides programs Jersey City youth.

HCCC RADIOGRAPHY PROGRAM

Invites you to join us for our

SPRING

INFORMATION SESSION

To find out more information about becoming a RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGIST.

Tuesday, February 12

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 14

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Register at: https://tinyurl.com/HCCCRadSpring2019



HCCC Radiography Program 870 Bergen Avenue (Building F) 2nd Floor, Room 218 Jersey City, NJ 07306

For more information please contact (201) 360-4784.





870 Bergen Avenue (Building F), First Floor

Register at tinyurl.com/NSGWinter2019

HCCC PARTNERS WITH EASTERN MILLWORK

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Andrew Campbell. "This partnership with Hudson County Community College embraces both talent and technology. It will help us to fill the void that has existed, it will open the doors for the young people of our community to have well-paying careers with many options, and it will enable EMI and our industry to provide value that importers cannot provide."

An industry leader in custom and high-end automated, woodwork manufacturing and installation, EMI is investing to train up to four qualified high-school students each year. The Jersey City-based company's four-year, dual-education program begins this July. Apprentices will receive full benefits - paid vacation and holidays, 401K plan, and health insurance. They will earn a progressive salary starting at \$24,500 and rising to \$70,000 by the end of the fourth year, when they will be awarded their A.A.S. degree in Advanced Manufacturing, and become engineers at EMI. There are several career tracks for engineers at EMI with additional earnings potential. There is also the opportunity to continue their education and attain a bachelor's degree.

EMI will use the dual-education model developed in Europe. In this model, apprentices hired by EMI will devote three days a week to practical experiences and one to industry-specific studies/ training. Their fifth day of each week will be spent at HCCC where they will be engaged in coursework for their degree, including basic English, Mathematics, Sociology, and Humanities studies, as well as Tools, Digital Design for Fabrication, 3D Digital Design, Engineering Graphics, Computer Integrated Manufacturing, Business Communication, Introduction to Materials Science, Technical Report Writing, and other field-related courses.

Mr. Campbell said there will also be an internship component to this program in which high school juniors will begin training and then move into the apprenticeship program after they have graduated high school. They will hire up to four qualified interns, for a 4-week program in July. Interns will receive a stipend for their work.

EMI is a 26-year-old custom woodworking company that has embraced technology and operates from a newly constructed, state-of-theart facility in Jersey City. The company has successfully challenged the common belief that high-quality woodworking can only be produced by hand. EMI manufacturing and installation experts have employed technological innovations in architectural woodwork to deliver products of uncommon value without sacrificing old world quality. EMI designs are featured in corporate, residential, institutional, retail, exteriors, aviation, hospitality, and athletic settings including the New York Times Building, General Electric, Rockefeller Center,



Pictured from left: Dr. Chris Reber, HCCC President; Dr. John Marlin, Dean of Instruction; and Andrew Campbell, Eastern Millwork President/Owner.

Price Waterhouse, Jazz at Lincoln Center, Lenox Hill Hospital, Memorial Sloan Kettering, Salvatore Ferragamo, JFK Terminal 4, and Madison Square Garden.

Hudson County Community College is the largest of four higher-education institutions in Hudson County, New Jersey. The College has an unduplicated enrollment of 15,000 credit and non-credit students, and operates from two urban campuses – the main campus in the Journal Square area of Jersey City and the North Hudson campus in Union City – as well as several off-campus locations throughout Hudson County, including the recently opened Hudson County Schools of Technology High Tech High School in Secaucus.

HCCC is committed to expanding educational opportunities for students in the evolving global economic climate. The College offers more than 60 degree and certificate programs, including signature Culinary Arts/Hospitality Management, Nursing, English as a Second Language (ESL), Fine and Performing Arts, and STEM. HCCC has established many dual-admission agreements with New Jersey universities.

The HCCC Culinary Arts/Hospitality Management program was ranked number six in the U.S. by Best Choice Schools. Over 94% of HCCC Nursing program graduates passed the NCLEX first time out, placing the program's graduates in the top tier of two- and four-year nursing programs nationwide. In 2017, the Equality of Opportunity Project ranked HCCC in the top 5% of 2,200 higher education institutions for social mobility.

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PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS



Kailyn Segovia-Vazquez (left), Beta Alpha Phi Treasurer, delivering a student welcome at the Jan. 22 College Service Day, with Lilisa Williams, Director of Faculty & Staff Development.



Brian Ribas volunteered at the Homeless Coordinated Entry/Drop-In Center on Dec. 19, sorting supplies for the homeless who attended the Homeless Memorial at the Old Bergen Church the following day.



Cheryll Ann Ignacio, her son, and Christine Tirado volunteered at Hunger Free Bayonne and the Bayonne Soup Kitchen on Dec. 22.



Beta Alpha Phi Chapter volunteered at the shoreline cleanup at the 16th Street Park in Bayonne and the gardening program at Liberty State Park in Jersey City on Jan. 12.

SPRING 2019INSTANT DECISION DAYS







Save up to \$100 per application! Application fees are waived for students attending Instant Decision Days.

ALL STUDENTS must request an official transcript from the National Student Clearinghouse for each visit. (http://www.hccc.edu/transcriptrequests)

REMINDER: Transcript requests take at least 7-10 business days to process. Complete an online application for the school(s) you are applying to one week in advance of your appointment date.

TO RSVP: Students should visit the Advisement and Counseling page on the MyHudson Portal and sign up using the links provided. Please follow the specific instructions provided on the links for each institution of interest.

For more information, please contact:

Advisement and Counseling

70 Sip Ave, 2nd Floor, Jersey City, NJ 07306 201-360-4150/4152 | advising@live.hccc.edu

SAINT PETER'S UNIVERSITY

 Wednesday, February 20
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

 Tuesday, March 19
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

 Friday, April 5
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

 Thursday, May 2
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY - NEWARK

Friday, February 22 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 6 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday, April 4 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Nursing, Radiography/Radiologic Technology program students are ineligible for this event.

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

Thursday, February 28 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday, March 14 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 16 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY

Friday, March 1 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

*Nursing, Radiography/Radiologic Technology program students are ineligible for event.

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

Thursday, March 7 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

 Tuesday, March 12
 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

 Tuesday, April 9
 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

 Tuesday, April 30
 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY

Tuesday , April 2 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Thursday, April 25 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

KEAN UNIVERSITY

Thursday, April 18 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday, April 22 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, February 1

Groundhog Day (film), 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Saturday, February 2

Groundhog Day (film), 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Sunday, February 3

JC Writers Residency: Perfect Prompts, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library, Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor Atrium. Register at https://www.meetup.com/The-Jersey-City-Writers-Meetup-Group/

Monday, February 4

Welcome Back Breakfast, 9:30 a.m., STEM Building, Multipurpose Room, 263 Academy St.

Soulfest, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Tuesday, February 5

Pizza with the President, 12:30 p.m., STEM Building, Multipurpose Room, 263 Academy St.

Opening Reception for "Notes and Tones: Jazz Influences on the Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop," 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Gabert Library, Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor Atrium

"Back to Black" live mural installation, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Gabert Library, Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor Atrium

Chinese New Year, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Empanadas in the Evening, 6 p.m., Gabert Library, Lobby, 71 Sip Ave.

Wednesday, February 6

Welcome Back Breakfast, 9:30 a.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Love Thy Skin You're In ft. Ayana Iman, 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., STEM Building, Multipurpose Room, 263 Academy St.

Pizza with the President, 2 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

FAFSA Workshop, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue, Second Floor

FAFSA Workshop, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., North Hudson Campus

Empanadas in the Evening, 6 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Lobby

Thursday, February 7

Your Personal Information Is Like Money -- Value It. Protect It, 11 a.m., STEM Building, 263 Academy St., Room 617

Hook the Book workshop, 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., Gabert Library, Sixth Floor Atrium

Friday, February 8

Learn to play chess with James, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Holz Technik Academy Open House, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m., Eastern Millwork Inc., 143 Chapel Avenue, Jersey City

Pop-Up Dining (Chef Jesse Jones), 7 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. \$75 per person. Register at https://tinyurl.com/yd5kycqk

Sunday, February 10

Museum Visit: New York Historical Society. Group departs from 71 Sip Ave., at 10 a.m. HCCC Students: \$5; HCCC Faculty/Staff/Guest: \$15. Register at www.hccc.edu/tickets.

JC Writers Residency: Writing Tip & Tricks, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library, Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor Atrium. Register at https://www.meetup.com/The-Jersey-City-Writers-Meetup-Group/

Monday, February 11 - Sunday, June 30

Exhibit: Back to Black, Gabert Library, Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor

Monday, February 11

Blood Drive, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., STEM Building, Multipurpose Room, 263 Academy St.

Stuff-a-Plush, 12 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Tuesday, February 12

Information session for Radiography Program, 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., 870 Bergen Avenue

HCCC Winter Spotlight: Ice Sculpture Made with Love, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Gabert Library, Sixth Floor Atrium

Wednesday, February 13

Bagel Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Real Money 101: Tax Return Basics, 11 a.m., Gabert Library, 71 Sip Ave., Room 518. RSVP at http://hcccrealmoney101.eventbrite.com

Valentine's Day with Alex Plante, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Gabert Library, Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Stuff-a-Plush, 2 p.m., Gabert Library, Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

West African Drumming Workshop, 12:30 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

FAFSA Workshop, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue, Second Floor

Real Money 101: Tax Return Basics, 5 p.m., Gabert Library, 71 Sip Ave., Room 518. RSVP at http://hcccrealmoney101.eventbrite.com

Thursday, February 14

Classes begin for Quick Term (12-week) and at Off-Campus Locations

Chocolate Fountain, 11:30 a.m., STEM Building, 263 Academy St., Multipurpose Room

Chocolate Fountain, 2 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Friday, February 15

Classes in session; administrative offices closed

Monday, February 18

Presidents' Day - College closed (no classes)

Tuesday, February 19

Involvement Fair, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Scratch Programming with Lotta, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Meeting of Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., Gabert Library, 71 Sip Ave.

Wednesday, February 20

Bagel Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Instant Decision Day: Saint Peter's University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

World Day of Social Justice Button Making, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave. and North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Discussion with playwright Martin Casella ("Black Tom Island"), 5 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Thursday, February 21

Involvement Fair, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., STEM Building, Multipurpose Room, 263 Academy St.

Book Club: "Slaughterhouse-Five" by Kurt Vonnegut, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Paint Night, 5 p.m., North Hudson Campus, 5th Floor. HCCC Students: \$4; HCCC Faculty/Staff/Guest: \$7. Register at www.hccc.edu/tickets.

Friday, February 22

Middle States Self-Study due to Commission and Evaluation Team Members

Instant Decision Day: Rutgers University-Newark, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

Book Club: "Slaughterhouse-Five" by Kurt Vonnegut, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., North Hudson Campus Library

Listen to "Slaughterhouse-Five," narrated by Kurt Vonnegut, on vinyl LP, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., Gabert Library Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

Ice Skating at Newport Skates; group leaves 70 Sip Ave. at 5:30 p.m. HCCC Students: \$7; HCCC Faculty/Staff/Guest: \$15. Register at www.hccc. edu/tickets.

Eyes on Africa, 7 p.m., Gabert Library, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor. HCCC Students: \$5; HCCC Guests: \$10. Register at www.hccc.edu/tickets.

Sunday, February 24

JC Writers Residency: Publishing Panel, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library, Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor Atrium. Register at https://www.meetup.com/The-Jersey-City-Writers-Meetup-Group/

Monday, February 25

Pizza with the President, 5:30 p.m., Gabert Library, 71 Sip Ave.

Tuesday, February 26

Information session for Practical Nursing (LPN) Program, 3:30 p.m., 870 Bergen Avenue

Information session for Registered Nurse (RN) Program, 5 p.m., 870 Bergen Avenue

Paint Night, 5 p.m., STEM Building, Multipurpose Room, 263 Academy St. HCCC Students: \$4; HCCC Faculty/Staff/Guest: \$7. Register at www.hccc. edu/tickets.

Wednesday, February 27

Bagel Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

NEDA Conversation, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., STEM Building, 263 Academy St., Multipurpose Room

All College Council General Meeting, 3:30 p.m., Gabert Library, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor Atrium

Pizza with the President, 5:30 p.m., Gabert Library, 71 Sip Ave.

Thursday, February 28

Instant Decision Day: Montclair State University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

Town Hall with President Reber, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Scott Ring Room, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

BHM Black Entrepreneurship Panel, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Gabert Library, Sixth Floor, 71 Sip Ave.

Devika Tells You How to Be an Adult ft. Nutrition, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Gabert Library, Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave.

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ALUMNI CORNER

Masood Chaudhry

Computer Science major

What factors led you to decide to attend Hudson County Community College?

I started my freshman year at Rutgers University but I was ill-equipped to deal with the pressures of a four-year university. To get a new start, I transferred to HCCC.

What is your favorite memory of the College, in or out of the classroom?

6-9 programming classes with Professor Siddiqui. I learned to do amazing things in that class. Every moment was a thrilling experience full of learning and awe.

How did you become interested in computer science?

As a kid, I saw Live Free or Die Hard and saw what hackers could do if you really knew your way around computers. I dreamed of being a CS major since

How did your time at HCCC prepare you for your career/ life now?

I gathered most of my skill sets in the aforementioned classes I took with Professor Siddiqui. I spent a year and a half learning the core concepts of how computers operate.

What is a typical work day for you?

I work in a company that provides 24/7 service primarily to financial companies such as wealth managers and accounting firms. We host all their information and applications in our secure data centers and ensure that it meets all the security and compliance protocols as required by the governing bodies. The day begins with handoff calls from teams in Europe and ends with hand off calls to teams in



Australia. The rest of the day comprises working on short-term break fixes to patch issues in our product, work with third-party vendors to troubleshoot issues on behalf of our clients as tickets come in. Simultaneously, I work on long-term projects that can involve a multitude of OKRs and goals.

What has been the most memorable project/case you have worked on?

Identifying a bug in Windows File Servers 2016 and reporting it to Microsoft with the proposed fix.

Who are your biggest inspirations that have impacted your work in some way?

I have been very fortunate to have worked under team leads gifted with a rigorous work ethic and knowledge. It has instilled in me the same work ethic and critical thinking needed to succeed as a Systems Engineer.

What advice would you give to recent HCCC graduates?

Be patient. It's hard to get your foot in the door. Don't be scared of rejection and never think you don't have a chance, whether it's getting into a four-year institution or landing your dream job.

What advice do you have for those students who are just starting their college careers?

Follow your passion. It makes it easy to get out of bed everyday and the work day flies. While learning the ropes around a new place, unconventional hours need to be put in and as long as you're doing what you love, it'll be a walk in the park.

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