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AUGUST

The New York Times Representative at the Bookstore August 25 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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SEPTEMBER

Provost Lecture Series - September 16 4:00 - 6:00 pm Health Science Center Lecture Hall 6

Jorge Benach, Director, Center for Infectious Diseases, Professor of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology, Professor of Pathology, Stony Brook University

Title: *"Lyme Disease at Stony Brook: A 20 Year Story"*

Provost Lecture Series - September 18 4:30 - 6:00 pm Wang Center Theater

John Bachall - Richard Black, Professor of Natural Science at Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University

Title: *"How the Sun Shines"*

Provost Lecture Series - September 25 4:30 - 6:00 pm Wang Center Lecture Hall 2

Elizabeth Stone, Professor of Anthropology, Stony Brook University

Title: *"Ancient Mesopotamia: Lessons for the Future of Iraq from its Distant Past"*

OCTOBER

Faculty Author Series - October 2 4:00 pm Javits Room 2Floor Melville Library

Featuring India Studies authors:

Ilona Ellinger - "Hindu Divinities" is a guide to the religious art of India which details the earliest traces of civilization on the Indian peninsula dated between 3000 - 1500 BC. Vishnu,

Krishna, Parvati, Ganesha, Durga, Shiva, Yakshi, Brahma and other gods' and goddesses' sketches by the author appear with descriptions throughout her book.

S. N. Sridhar - "Ananya: A Portrait of India," a collection of 40 essays by scholars from both East and West, provides an enriching glimpse of Indian history, art, philosophy, religion, culture and society.

Pramila Venkateswaran - "Thirtha" is a book of poetry that allows us to journey through history with the author as she brings us moving and compassionate accounts of displacement, loss, pilgrimage and hope.

Provost Lecture Series - October 8 12:40 - 2:10 pm Wang Center Theater

Elga Wasserman, Senior Research Scholar, Yale Law School

Title of Lecture: **"Women in Science & Engineering: The Unfinished Agenda"**

Faculty Author Series - October 16 4:00 pm Javits Room 2 Floor Melville Library

Featuring History authors:

Kathleen Wilson - "The Island Race: Englishness, Empire and Gender in the Eighteenth Century" focuses on some of the cultural sites of "nation-ness" within England and the colonies that reveal how islands and empire converged to structure eighteenth century Briton's beliefs about their national character and destiny.

***Carol Blum - "Strength in Numbers: Population, Reproduction and Power in Eighteenth-Century France"** is the account of freethinkers' campaigns against authoritarianism; of the conflicts concerning the good and evil of "natural" sexuality; and of the ways in which natalism was used not only as a passive instrument in the wars of Enlightenment, but as an active force shaping mentalities. *to be confirmed

Faculty Author Series - October 21 4:00 pm Javits Room 2 Floor Melville Library

Featuring Art author:

Helen Harrison - "Hamptons Bohemia: Two Centuries of Artists and Writers on the Beach"

The Hamptons (eastern end of Long Island) has been home to a vibrant community of artists and writers such as Winslow Homer, Walt Whitman, Willem de Kooning, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Herman Melville, Frank O'Hara, Jane Freilicher, Patsy Southgate, Robert Wilson and more. Hamptons Bohemia chronicles the evolution of this famous and fashionable retreat with the colorful characters who have inhabited it.

Faculty Author Series - October 30 4:00 pm Javits Room 2 Floor Melville Library

Featuring Comparative Literature authors:

Ruth Bottigheimer - "Fairy Godfather: Straparola, Venice and the Fairy Tale Tradition" is an exploration of the classic rags to riches fairy tale with stories that did not originate among peasants in misty German forests, but in sixteenth-century Venice by a boy named Straparola (who went to the city to seek his fortune and did so by inventing fairy tales and selling his stories.)

***David Gilmore - "Monsters: Evil Beings, Mythical Beasts and All Manner of Imaginary Terrors"** From ancient Egypt to modern Hollywood, imaginary beings have haunted dreams and fantasies, provoking in young and old shivers of delight, thrills of terror and endless fascination. Explore what human traits monsters represent, why they are in people's imagination and why they share so many features across different cultures. *to be confirmed

**Provost Lecture Series - October 30 French Week 4:00 - 7:00 pm Recital Hall Lecturer
TBA**

NOVEMBER

Guest Appearance - November 5 12:30 - 2:10 pm University Bookstore Atrium
Steve Hofstetter, author of "Student Body Shots: A Sarcastic Look at the Best 4 - 6 Years of Your Life" visits Stony Brook University. Hofstetter, author, columnist and comedian, graduated from Columbia as one of the voices of the Columbia Lions and a popular columnist for the Columbia Daily Spectator. Recently, Hofstetter began writing for Maxim and ESPN Magazine, was featured in The New York Times, was on an episode of NBC's Ed and Law & Order and has performed in comedy clubs such as Caroline's, Dangerfield's, The Comic Strip and Comedy Cellar. This fall, Steve will headline the University of Maryland, Richmond, Fresno State and plans on releasing his new book within the next few months.

Faculty Author Series - November 5 4:00 pm Javits Room 2 Floor Melville Library
Hosted by George Wallace, Suffolk County Poet Laureate

Featuring Poetry authors:

Ron Overton presents - "Psychic Killed by Train", "Hotel Me" and "Love on the Alexander Hamilton"

Clifford Swartz presents - "Temptations, Wicked Women and Denials", "Miracles" and "Prayers from the Nave"

Dan Chaisson presents - "The Afterlife of Objects"

Rowan Phillips will read from his poetry (not yet published)

Faculty Author Series - November 6 4:00 pm Javits Room 2 Floor Melville Library

Featuring Mystery/Fiction authors:

John Westermann author of "Exit Wounds", "Sweet Deal", "High Crimes" and "The Honor Farm"

KJA Wishnia author of "Blood Lake", "23 Shades of Black" and "Red House"

Tyrone Bennett author of "The Eyes of Mephistopheles"

**Provost Lecture Series - November 6 The Fifth Annual George Goodman Symposium
7:00 - 9:00 pm Wang Center Theater Lecturer: TBA**

Science Fiction / Fantasy - November 11 4:00 pm University Bookstore Atrium

Featuring Science Fiction / Fantasy authors:

Patrick Thomas author of "Murphy's Lore: Through the Drinking Glass" and "Murphy's Lore: Fool's Day"

"Here magic is the norm . . . Murphy's Lore offers a reader a look at the world beyond" Alan Zimmerman, The New York Press

Linda Addison author of "Consumed, Reduced to Beautiful Grey Ashes" and "Animated Objects" - "A surprisingly and startling debut . . . Its works sometimes tickle and at other times

cut, taking the reader from joy to despair, reality to fantasy and in the end affirming that the journey is indeed worthwhile" *Pirate Writings Magazine*

Edward J. McFadden III, Assistant Dean at Stony Brook University and author of "The 2nd Coming", "The Best of Pirate Writings: Tales of Fantasy, Mystery and Science Fiction"

juggles a full time career as an Assistant Dean and his editing duties at *Fantastic Stories of the Imagination*, a nationally-distributed fiction magazine. He has had more than 75 short stories published in places like *Terminal Fright*, *Cyber-psycho's A.O.D.*, *The And*, and *The Arizona Literary Review*.

Peter Q. Warriner author of "Sumdar the Trilogy - Book One: Birth Into Dreams" Sumdar's fantasy world is a mysterious realm that exists like a dream within the setting of our own human reality. Follow Pierre on his psycho-suspense as he's lured beyond the boundaries of human intelligence.

Faculty Author Series - November 20 4:00 pm Javits Room 2 Floor Melville Library

Featuring Ecology authors:

Evelyn Bromet author of "Toxic Turmoil"

Jessica Gurevitch author of "The Ecology of Plants"

Lawrence Slobodkin author of "A Citizens Guide to Ecology"

Guest Appearance - November 21 10:00 am - 12:00 noon SAC Auditorium

Science Plus Inc. "Radically Different Science" is proud to present *Inventing a Better World!* (based on the book "What A Great Idea!") A new interactive program by scientist and author Steve (The Dirtmeister) Tomecek

This high energy program takes a serious look at a dozen different inventions that helped change the course of history. Children in grades 4-6 learn about electricity, radio, machines, lasers, telescopes and computers. The ***Jump Into Science Program*** teaches what stars are made of, where dirt comes from and why the sun shines so bright.

For the past 20 years, Steve (The Dirtmeister) Tomecek has been spreading his unique brand of science. He has been a consultant for The Discovery Channel, Scholastic Inc., National Geographic Society, as well as host for WNYC's New York Kids radio show and writer of the Emmy Award Winning PBS TV Series *Dr. Dad's Phantastic Physical Phenomena*.

Dr. Tomecek's books will be available for purchase at this event.