Summer Studios 2007 will feature three sessions for kids who are interested in art

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Georgia Southern University is offering a trio of unique day camps for elementary, middle and high school students who have an interest in art.

Summer Studios 2007 is sponsored by the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art and the Continuing Education Center. The camp topics vary each week, and kids can opt to attend any or all of the sessions.

‘Museum Art’ will run from June 18 through June 22, ‘Global Art’ will run from June 25 through June 29, and ‘Traditions’ will run from July 9 through July 13. Each day of the camp will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 4 p.m.

Working in age-appropriate groups, the campers will learn about art appreciation and history while they participate in drawing, painting, papermaking, printmaking, ceramics and sculpture.

In addition, the camps will include sports breaks, on-campus field trips, movies and games. Each student is required to bring their own lunch.

The fee for each camp is $125 per person. Extended stay until 5 p.m. is available for an additional $20 per person.

For more information, visit http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted/campart.html or call (912) 681-5551.

Mathematics professor Damelin participating in Air Force research program

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An associate professor in the Department of Mathematical Sciences at Georgia Southern University is spending the summer conducting research for the U.S. Air Force.

Steve Damelin was selected to participate in the Air Force Summer Faculty Fellowship Program (SFFP). He is working with military scientists at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

Damelin was awarded the fellowship based on research he has been conducting with American and Israeli groups on image recognition.
‘Due to its sensitive nature, I can only say that the project I am working on at Wright-Patterson involves mathematics, such as theory of algorithms,” he said.

The SFFP gives specially selected full-time science and engineering faculty at American colleges and universities hands-on exposure to Air Force research challenges. Open only to citizens and legal permanent residents of the U.S., the program consists of eight- and 12-week research residencies at participating Air Force research facilities.

The SFFP seeks to stimulate professional relationships between the program participants and Air Force scientists and engineers. In addition, the program seeks to enhance the research interests and capabilities of faculty in the U.S. academic community, and elevate the awareness of Air Force research interests.

Wright-Patterson is one of largest installations in the Air Force. In addition to research and development, the base houses units devoted to acquisition and logistics management, flight operations and advanced education.

Damelin joined Georgia Southern’s faculty in 2000. He is the founding director of the Unit for Advances in Mathematics and Its Applications (UAIM). Located within the Allen E. Paulson College of Science and Technology, UAIM fosters advanced research in all areas of mathematics.

During the 2005-2006 academic year, Damelin served as the visiting New Directions Professor in Imaging at the Institute for Mathematics and Its Applications at the University of Minnesota.

A native of South Africa, Damelin became a permanent resident of the U.S. in 2004.