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Ogeechee River Project Update

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Public Information Session
Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 6:30 p.m.
Georgia Southern University Biological Sciences Building #1109
4324 Old Register Road, Statesboro, GA

The Ogeechee River monitoring project is ongoing. Georgia Southern University's Department of Geology & Geography is studying atmospheric and terrestrial observations and conduct research focused on processes in the watershed. The Department of Biology, in conjunction with the Phinizy Center for Water Sciences, will focus on in-stream processes and conduct biological sampling of the Ogeechee River. Find out how this research will ensure a long-term, holistic approach to understanding the Ogeechee River Basin.

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This Supplemental Environmental Project was undertaken in connection with the settlement of an enforcement action taken by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division for violations of the Georgia Water Quality Control Act.

An update on the Ogeechee River Project will be given during a public information session on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Biological Sciences Building, 4324 Old Register Road.

The session will include updates on the research project, which is designed to ensure a long-term and holistic approach for research on the River. The Department of Geology and Geography has studied atmospheric and terrestrial observations and research focused on processes in the watershed, while the Department of Biology, in conjunction with the Phinizy Center for Water Sciences, has focused on in-stream processes and conduct biological sampling of the Ogeechee River. This research will ensure a long-term, holistic approach to understanding Ogeechee River Basin.

For more information, visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu/ogeechee.

Low Alquist exhibition opens Sept. 26 at Center for Art & Theatre

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*States of Matter Undergoing Habitual Rotation,
1981, Mixed Media, 77" x 33 " x 27"*

The Georgia Southern University Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art will present work by the late sculptor Low Alquist, Sept. 26 – Oct. 28, in the Contemporary and University Galleries at the Center for Art & Theatre.

Alquist incorporated found objects, kinetic energy, sound and scent into his work—provoking the senses to make the invisible

more visible. His work primarily examines similarities, parallels, overlaps, and adjacencies between technological development and human

evolution, but it also points to issues of political and industrial corruption as relevant today as when the work was created, in the 1970s-1990s.

“Discovering Alquist’s work has been a great surprise, like discovering a rich, dense novel that reveals crucial things you didn’t know you needed to know about,” said Gallery Director Jason Hoelscher. “Not as well-known as he should have been, Low seems to have been something of an artist’s artist, known mainly to the cognoscenti. His work manages to touch on important political events of the time, while also offering intriguingly idiosyncratic (and often hilarious) new viewpoints from which to consider the art world of his era, ranging from postminimal materiality to art-as-technology and technology-as-art. With this exhibition we really hope to introduce Lew’s work to a larger, contemporary audience—not only is the work itself top-notch and provocative, but his statement that ‘Not everything is art, but everything is art supplies’ deserves to be right up there in the pantheon with any other profound phrase about art’s inherent potentials.”

A presentation on Alquist’s work will be given during an Artist Talk on Friday, Sept. 30 at 5 p.m. in Visual Art Building, Room 2071. A reception will follow from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Center for Art & Theatre. All events are free and open to the public.

Alquist’s wife Jane Pleak, who taught ceramics at Georgia Southern for nearly 30 years, curated the exhibition.

In honor of Alquist, Pleak started a memorial fund to help the BFSDoArt bring visiting artists to the University to enhance student learning through workshops and lectures. To contribute, go to GeorgiaSouthern.edu/Art and choose "Make A Gift" from the right sidebar. Designate your gift by selecting "other" and typing "3694 Lewis Alquist Visiting Artist Fund" in the processing instructions.

The College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) is the largest of the eight colleges that make up Georgia Southern University, and it plays a central role in every student's core of knowledge. CLASS, also described as the University's College of the Creative Mind, prepares students to achieve academic excellence, develop their analytical skills, enhance their creativity and embrace their responsibilities as citizens of their communities, their nations and the world. CLASS offers more than 20 undergraduate degrees and several interdisciplinary minors from its 11 departments and five academic centers. CLASS offers eight master's degrees, two graduate certificates and one doctoral degree. For more information, visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu/CLASS.

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/Research University founded in 1906, offers more than 125 degree programs serving approximately 20,500 students. Through eight colleges, the University offers bachelors, masters and doctoral degree programs built on more than a century of academic achievement. Georgia Southern is recognized for its student-centered and hands-on approach to education. GeorgiaSouthern.edu.

Feng and Hatarbach Receive Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Awards

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Hui Feng of China and Zakaria Hatarbach of Morocco have been awarded a Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program grant to serve as teaching assistants in Chinese and Arabic, respectively, and to study at Georgia Southern University for academic year 2016-2017.

While in the United States, Feng and Hatarbach will share their language and culture with U.S. communities in order to inspire Americans to travel and study overseas and to prepare U.S. citizens to engage with businesses, governments and organizations abroad.

Feng and Hatarbach are two of nearly 400 young educators from 50 countries who will travel to the United States in the 2016-2017 academic year through the Fulbright FLTA Program to help internationalize U.S. colleges and universities, a key goal of many institutions as they prepare students for today's workforce and globalized world.

Recipients of Fulbright FLTA grants are selected on the basis of academic and professional achievement as well as demonstrated leadership potential. Fulbright FLTA scholarships are awarded by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

The Fulbright Program was established in 1946 under legislation introduced by U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. The program has given approximately 360,000 students, scholars, teachers, artists and scientist the opportunity to study, teach and conduct research, exchange ideas and contribute to finding solutions to shared international concerns.

Fifty-three Fulbright alumni from 13 countries have been awarded the Nobel Prize, and 82 alumni have received Pulitzer Prizes.

Winners of the Karl E. Peace Award for Outstanding Statistical Contributions for the Betterment of Society

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Winners of the 2016 Karl E. Peace Award for Outstanding Statistical Contributions for the Betterment of Society are Gary M. Shapiro of Statistics without Borders (SWB) and Ronald Brookmeyer of the University of California, Los Angeles.

Shapiro was recognized for his central role in the formation of-and ongoing volunteer mentoring in SWB, an organization devoted to using statistics to further the development of human rights throughout the world. He was also recognized for his devoted pro-bono work on developing a sampling scheme of police archives for evaluating police involvement in the disappearances and killings of Guatemalans.

Brookmeyer was recognized for his seminal methodological work on global health as it relates to disease monitoring, his work in biosurveillance as it relates to HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's disease and biosecurity and his contributions to training a generation of researchers about the importance of statistics in public health and increasing public awareness.

The Karl E. Peace Award is bestowed upon a distinguished individual who has made substantial contributions to the statistical profession that has led to direct ways of improving the human condition. Karl E. Peace, Ph.D., is a Biostatistics Professor at Georgia Southern University in the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health and a Georgia Cancer Coalition Distinguished Cancer Scholar.

The award was established in the American Statistical Association by Christopher K. Peace, son of Karl E. Peace, on behalf of the Peace family to honor the life work of his father.

Previous honorees are Marvin Zelen, Harvard University, 2012, Fritz Schuere, University of Chicago, 2012, [Richard Simon](#), National Cancer Institute, 2013, [Gary Koch](#), University of North Carolina, 2014 and [James Cochran](#), University of Alabama, 2015.