

Hello/Hola/Salut from the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies!

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1) ANTIRACISM CONVERSATION - WEDNESDAY



Dr. Sheneese Thompson will participate in an “Antiracism: Communities & Collaborations” discussion with **Sufiyah Abdur-Rahman**, winner of the Iowa Prize for Literary Nonfiction and author of the 2021 memoir *Heir to the Crescent Moon*, on February 23 at 5:30 pm. The first twenty-five student who register and attend the conversation will receive a free copy of her book.

Registration

Link: https://umd.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_byteBpFrTRK4tK7DUJtShQ

2) 9TH ANNUAL READ-A-THON – THURSDAY

Join us for the 9th Annual BSU Black History Month Read-A-Thon on February 24, 12:30-2:30 pm, as we celebrate the power of language, public speaking, and oral storytelling. Sign up for a ten-minute slot wherein you can read from a literary work of your choice: a novel, a short story, a set of poems, song lyrics, a play, or your own creative work. In celebration of Black History Month, we strongly encourage that you read the work of a Black author from the US or abroad. Please be prepared to read or speak for approximately ten minutes. Participants will receive BSU swag courtesy of the Department of History & Government.


Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054fa9aa29aa8-9thannual>
 Zoom Room Link: <https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/82188472949>

3) CIAA CAREER EXPO – THURSDAY

CIAA
CAREER EXPO
 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND
 VIRTUAL
 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH
 BALTIMORE CONVENTION CENTER
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Meet 20+ diverse groups of recruiters to learn about internships,
 full-time employment, and post-graduate opportunities!
Register Today Using Your University Email!




in person



virtual

Get Prepped with Resume Tips & Advice to Navigate Expo...



zoom meeting

THE CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER
WALK - INS
 WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 16TH / 1 PM - 3 PM
 THURSDAY FEBRUARY 17TH / 12 PM - 2 PM
 STUDENT CENTER, SUITE 3007
 CAREERDEVELOPMENT@BOWIESTATE.EDU

ZOOM WITH GRADUATE STUDENT
 FRIDAY FEBRUARY 18TH / 10 AM - 2 PM
 SATURDAY FEBRUARY 19TH / 10 AM - 2 PM
 REGISTER FOR ZOOM EVENT USING QR CODES

4) PRATT LIBRARY POETRY CONTEST

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Poetry Contest

Maryland poets, this FREE contest is for YOU!

CONTEST RULES

- Entrants must be Maryland residents, 18 or older.
- Paid or volunteer staff of the Enoch Pratt Free Library and Little Remount Review and their immediate families are not eligible, nor are previous Pratt Library Poetry Contest first-place winners.
- Please send only one original poem on any theme and in any form, for consideration.
- Your entry must be unpublished, either in print or online, including personal blogs, Facebook, or Twitter. It cannot be currently under review for possible publication.
- Your entry must not exceed 300 lines.
- Submit your typed entry as a Microsoft Word attachment by email to contest@prattlibrary.org or by mail to:
 Poetry Contest, Humanities Department
 Pratt Library, 400 Cathedral St.
 Baltimore, MD 21201-5436
- All entries must be received by **Tuesday, March 1, 2022**.

- Please submit your name, address, phone number, and a brief biography on a separate page. Please do not put your name, address, phone number, or biography on the entry itself. Our judges will see only the poem.
- Confirmation of receipt and comments on your entry will not be provided, nor will your entry be returned to you.

These rules are also available on the contest page, where an announcement of the winner will be posted in mid-April.

prattlibrary.org/poetry-contest
 The **winning poem** will be published in Little Remount Review and celebrated at a public reading hosted by the Pratt Library and Little Remount Review. It may also be displayed at the Central Library or turned into a collectible bookplate.

Questions? Email contest@prattlibrary.org or call (410) 396-5436.

The free educational and cultural programs of Pratt Libraries are made possible by the generous support of donors to the Enoch Pratt Free Library.




5) HOWARD UNIVERSITY PRE-PHD PROGRAM



HOWARD UNIVERSITY

**PRE-PHD
SUMMER
ENRICHMENT
PROGRAM**

OPEN TO RISING SENIORS AND
2022 GRADUATES IN:
AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES, ENGLISH, HISTORY, POLITICAL
SCIENCE, PHILOSOPHY, ECONOMICS, & SOCIOLOGY

This FREE program covers the cost of instruction, Kaplan GRE Prep, housing, transportation, and food. Students receive a stipend upon successful completion of the program.

EMAIL PPSEP@HOWARD.EDU OR
CLICK HERE FOR APPLICATION LINK

APPLICATION DEADLINE
FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2022

6) JET PROGRAM INFO SESSION – MARCH 10



Want to teach English in Japan?
Come learn about the JET Program.
March 10 - 3:30 pm - Zoom
<https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/99105260711>

Natasha James
JET Alumna (Saitama Prefecture)

Janae Miller
JET Alumna (Ibaraki Prefecture)

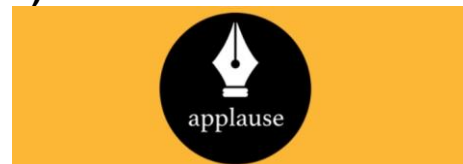
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7) CREATIVE WRITING CFP: *APPLAUSE*



Applause publishes poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction, visual art, and photography that exhibits practiced craft and polished style. We are interested in

authentic and personal work that displays an understanding of craft and creativity. We want work that honors tradition and respects risks. *Applause* is a full-online journal with a strong web platform allowing us to offer an immersive reading experience as we showcase in each issue the writing that moves us most during our reading period. We acquire First North American Serial Rights. We cannot currently pay contributors, however, contributors whose work is selected for publication will receive both publication and national exposure through our social media support systems. Our response time is approximately one to three months.

Each annual issue is a (loosely) themed issue. Our current call for submissions is as follows: Here at *Applause*, we don't believe that 2020 was a "dumpster fire" or that 2021 has been a soul sucking black hole. We do believe, however, that while the world has kept spinning, it has offered us all and/or our characters at least one occasion to cry those "happy tears," the ones we can't quite explain, but know them when we feel them. During our 2021-2022 reading cycle, we want to feel your happy tears that help us cry our own. We're looking for poems, stories, essays, and artwork that get us giggling, get us laughing until we cry, that make us want to say to someone, "Hey, I know you need some good, check this out."

Please contact Dr. Christian Anton Gerard at Christian.Gerard@uafs.edu if you have any questions about our magazine. This Submittable link will take your students to *Applause*'s guidelines and submissions page where your students can submit their work for consideration: <https://applause.submittable.com/submit>

8) DRIFTERS EMERGENCY STUDENT GRANT

The Drifters Emergency Student Grant is a \$10,000 grant awarded annually to degree-conferring institutions whose student enrollment is primarily comprised of students from underrepresented backgrounds. These grants have been given to numerous colleges and universities to help students to continue their studies. **Bowie State University** was awarded the grant at The National Drifters, Inc. 63rd national Convention in August 2019. As a result, Juniors/Seniors in the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies experiencing an emergency need for tuition assistance, housing assistance, course materials, meal planning or transportation assistance are eligible to apply. Please Contact Professor Lane (alane@bowiestate.edu) or Dr. Basena (dbasena@bowiestate.edu) for an application form.

9) SIGMA TAU DELTA



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INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY

Sigma Tau Delta welcomes new members. This year's Induction Ceremony will be held the first week of May.

Membership Requirements:

- Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.
- Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.
- Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$40 goes to Sigma Tau Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate.

To learn more about Membership Benefits, please click here: <http://english.org/members/benefits.shtml>

If you are interested in becoming a member, please e-mail hsierra@bowiestate.edu

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