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This Month in Student Activities



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VSCC Office of Student Activities

Spoken Word Performer: Gabriela Garcia Medina
Monday, April 4 at 12:15 p.m.
Wood Campus Center, Tiled Dining Room



The Association of Campus Events and the Student Government Association are pleased to welcome slam poet Gabriela Garcia Medina to campus. Ms. Medina will perform a free show in the cafeteria Monday, April 4 during the lunch hour.

"Gabriela Garcia Medina is an international spoken word artist and

award winning poet. She has performed at Colleges, Festivals, and Conferences all over the world. From the World Social Forum, Brazil (2004) to Havana Jazz Plaza (2001), her poetry has taken her to places such as South Africa, Cuba, Brazil, Switzerland, and all over the United States." Medina is also the author of "Ink-Scribing Oshun" and "In the Wake of Oya."

For more information and to hear samples of her poetry, please visit www.gabrielagarciamedina.com.

Photo and quote from Artist's website.

Man of La Mancha
Friday, April 1 through Sunday, April 3
7:30 p.m. Friday & Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sunday
Caudill Hall, Wemyss Auditorium

It's a musical that launched a timeless song and won a host of awards while on Broadway and now "Man of La Mancha" comes to the stage at Volunteer State Community College. "The Impossible Dream" is just one of the popular songs from the production. It will be presented by the Vol State Theater Department, featuring students and community members.

"Man of La Mancha" is based on the classic novel Don Quixote by Miguel de Cervantes. In the musical, Cervantes is in prison and conjures

up a way to escape. He does so by taking on the identity of Don Quixote and adventures soon follow. An evil magician, love and swordplay are all elements of the show, which won five Tony awards during the Broadway premier in 1965.

There is a suggested \$5 donation at the door to fund student scholarships. For more information call 615-230-3201.

Story credit: Office of Public Relations news release March 29, 2011

Celebration of the Arts
Thursday, April 14 through Sunday, April 17
Multiple Events



Volunteer State Community College is holding a new event in April for the entire community. The Celebration of the Arts weekend features many events, including a bluegrass jam, arts exhibitions and demonstrations, dance, storytelling and a grand finale concert by a hometown star, Kimberley Locke.

“It’s a four-day fun-filled family festival of music, art and performance,” said Vol State Associate Professor James Story, who is organizing the event with Virginia Thigpen and the Gallatin Arts Council. A grant from the Community Foundation and the Tennessee Arts Commission is supporting the event.

Thursday, April 14
 Bluegrass jam, including Q&A with the artists at the

auditorium in Caudill Hall 7:00-9:00 p.m. Free.

Friday, April 15
 Pecha Kucha presentation contest – Carpeted Dining Room, Wood Campus Center Noon. Free.

National student films screening 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the auditorium in Caudill Hall. Free.

“Movies by Starlight”- movies outside on the Thigpen Library Lawn featuring “Tron: Legacy” and “The Green Hornet” starting at 7:30 p.m. Free.

Saturday, April 16
 Easter Egg Hunt- college front lawn at 10 a.m. Free.

Arts demonstrations, exhibitions, music and kids activities starting at 10 a.m. and running throughout the day. All are free.

Vol State Recording Studio tour in Ramer 167

Kids art projects on the Library Lawn

Student art show opens at 2:00 p.m. in the Thigpen Library Gallery

Local dance organizations, including Center Stage, Jump for Joy, Main Stage and the Hispano America Dance Group perform at the

auditorium in Caudill Hall

Vol State children’s theater production including songs from “Man of La Mancha” in Pickel Field House Room 130

Storytelling in Pickel Field House Room 130

Bands, including bluegrass, jazz and rock groups, play on two stages on the Library Lawn from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Vol State Music Department Spring Showcase concert and CD release 7:00 p.m. at the auditorium in Caudill Hall. \$5 suggested donation at the door.

Sunday, April 17
 15th annual Shalom Zone student scholarship benefit concert- 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the auditorium in Caudill Hall

Bluegrass gospel concert - 5:00-6:00 p.m. at the auditorium in Caudill Hall. Suggested donation to benefit student scholarships.

Kimberley Locke in

concert- 8:00 p.m. at the auditorium in Caudill Hall

Ticket prices for The Kimberley Locke concert
 \$15 in advance
 \$20 at the door
 \$40 VIP ticket for post concert reception and question and answer with Ms. Locke.

Kimberley Locke tickets go on sale March 28 in the Vol State Business Office in the Ramer Building Room 181 and by phone at 615-230-3585.

Made possible in part by a grant from The Community Foundation and the Tennessee Arts Commission, with support from the Gallatin Arts Council.

For more information about the Celebration of the Arts visit www.volstate.edu/Celebration or call 615-230-3201.

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2010-2011
 Student Government Association Meetings
 12:30 p.m.
 in the Rochelle Center
 April 11
 April 25

Pioneer Varsity Sports Schedules

April Home Games

4/1	Softball v. Dyersburg State C. C. @ 1:00 p.m. Baseball v. Chattanooga State C. C. @ 3:00 p.m.
4/2	Baseball v. Chattanooga State C. C. @ 12:00 p.m. Softball v. Chattanooga State C. C. @ 2:00 p.m.
4/5	Softball v. Columbia State C. C. @ 5:00 p.m.
4/8	Softball v. Motlow State C. C. @ 5:00 p.m.
4/12	Baseball v. Northwest Shoals @ 2:00 p.m.
4/21	Baseball v. Dyersburg State C. C. @ 5:30 p.m.
4/22	Baseball v. Dyersburg State C. C. @ 1:00 p.m.
4/25	Baseball v. Jackson State C. C. @ 5:00 p.m.
5/8-5/13	TCCAA/Region VII Baseball & Softball Tournaments

Intramural Sports Schedules

April Events and Timelines

Golf Skill Shot Competition

- Thursday, April 7 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (1:00 p.m. for Coach Moore’s golf class and 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. for open participation)
- Mid to Short Iron range with 10, 5, 3, and 1 point target circles
- Some equipment will be available on site
- Male & Female Student and Male & Female Faculty/Staff winners

3 on 3 Soccer League

- Registration Deadline and Captains Meeting @ 12:00 p.m. on Friday, April 8 in Wood 101
- Games to be played Monday through Thursdays between April 11 and 14 and April 18 and 21; game times 2:15, 2:45, 3:15, 3:45, and 4:15 p.m.
- Up to 5 players per roster; 3 on the field at a time; no goal keepers

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VSCC Free Speech Zone:

As a publically supported institution, VSCC supports the free speech rights of students, faculty, and staff and the general community. When we receive a request for use of space on campus by an outside organization for free speech issues, the College has an obligation to honor that request with certain restrictions on time, place, and manner of the speaker. The Commons Lawn has been designated as the Volunteer State Community College Free Speech Zone.

NOTICE OF USE:
John McGlone of Pinpoint Evangelism
Tuesday, April 12; 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Spring Fest Student Organization Fair & Spring Job Career Fair
 Wednesday, April 20
 The Commons Lawn and Pickel Field House
 Starting at 10:00 a.m.**

Students looking forward to the next academic year and/or their next professional opportunity will have a 2-in-1 day to explore both.

On Wednesday, April 20 the Office of Student Life and Diversity Initiatives along with the student organizations and some VSCC offices and departments will offer the Spring Fest activity fair. This year Spring Fest will be located in The Commons lawn. A limited lunch (burgers and veggie burgers, chips, and drinks) will be provided for the first 750 STUDENTS starting at 11:00am. In

the unlikely event that there is any food left after 12:30pm, we will open service to other campus members.

All participants at Spring Fest will have the opportunity to raise funds for PTK's Relay for Life Team and Japan Earthquake relief with campus personalities volunteering for a dunk tank. Additionally a game of "Volley Vault" combining volleyball and the elementary school playground game four square into a vertical game with up to nine players at a time.

At the same time in the Pickel Field House Gymnasium, the Office of Career Services will be hosting the annual Spring Job Fair. This event is open to the public in addition to Vol State students and regularly draws one of the larger gatherings of local businesses and non-profit organizations in Middle Tennessee. In addition to meeting representatives, students will also have the chance to attend break out information sessions at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Please make plans to attend both events!

Tron: Legacy (PG-13)
 7:30 p.m.
 Friday, April 15



The Green Hornet (PG-13)
 Approximately 9:45 p.m.
 Friday, April 15



**Movies By Starlight
 Friday, April 15
 The Commons Lawn (Pickel Field House rain location)
 Starting at 7:30 p.m.**

The Association of Campus Events and the Student Government Association invite you to attend the spring Movies By Starlight. We hope for good weather to allow the movies to be shown in The Commons. Feel free to bring lawn chairs, picnic blankets, and your dinner to make an evening out of the event. Several student organizations will be selling movie themed

concessions as fundraisers so you can pick up your soft drinks and popcorn on site (cash only sales).

The movies will be preceded by an inflatable bounce house for kids to play on.

This semester the films selected are *Tron: Legacy* (PG-13; starting approximately 7:30 p.m.) and *The Green Hornet* (PG-13; starting

approximately 9:45 p.m.)

As the last three Movies by Starlight have been forced indoors by inclement weather, we have our fingers crossed for a beautiful, dry, calm spring night!

We'll see you at the movies!



The Wake Up Call
Saturday, April 9
Wood Campus Center and Caudill Hall
Starting at 10:00 a.m.

Ever felt like you weren't in a position to change the news you see on TV or the cover of a magazine?

A group of dedicated students lead by Elizabeth Duke, president of the Association of Campus Events, believe they and you can make an impact both here at home and around the world.

The Wake Up Call will be held on Saturday, April 9th as the conclusion of a two week awareness campaign focused on the opportunities available every day for people here to make measurable and meaningful steps towards

improving our communities.

The organizations benefiting from campaign weeks include Gallatin's Shalom Zone, Soles4Souls, Mercy29, and End Slavery TN. In addition to those four groups, representatives from 1ByYouth, Sweet Sleep, the Cumberland Crisis Pregnancy Center, HomeSafe Inc., Ashley's Place, the American Red Cross, the Sumner County Humane Society, The Needs List Foundation, and VSCC student organization Team Change Agent will participate in a non-profit organization fair on

Saturday, April 9th in the Wood Campus Center.

Throughout the same day, there will be presentations in the Wemyss Auditorium by Mark Lancaster (1ByYouth - 11 a.m.), Lyle Phillips (Mercy29 - 12 p.m.), and Tiffany Johnson (Soles4Souls - 1 p.m.) about their organizations and the work they do.

This event has also been supported by students from Hendersonville and Beech High Schools and Trevecca University. The Wake Up Call is officially sponsored by ACE.

Graduation Events
Friday, April 29, Friday, May 6, and Saturday, May 7

Congratulations to all Spring and Summer VSCC graduates! You have worked hard over your time here and earned your transition to the next level in your careers or transfer to another college or university. Thank you for all that you have contributed, all that you asked of us, and the ways that you have changed Vol State.

Before you leave don't forget to complete these

steps and attend these events:

- Pay all financial obligations to the college including parking tickets and overdue fees.
- Return any checked out library or college at home materials to the library.
- Submit all required transcripts to the Office of Admissions.
- Any applicant that

received a student loan must complete the Student Loan Exit Interview.

- All degree applicants must take the MAPP Exit Exam. Students receiving a Technical Certificate are not required to take this exam.)
- All degree applicants must meet the computer competency requirement by either passing CIS 100 or

the Computer Competency Exam.

Graduates' Awards Night

Friday, April 29
 Reception at 5:00 p.m. and Awards Program at 6:00 p.m.

Graduation Rehearsal
 Friday, May 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Graduation
 Saturday, May 6
 Arrive by 9:00 a.m. with ceremony at 10:00 a.m.

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<http://www.volstate.edu/StudentLife/>



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And so we close in on the ending of another year...

What a blur. This year is flying by and our student groups are starting to make transitions for the 2011-2012 leadership.

This spring we saw a three way race for SGA President and at the time of this writing, the ballots are being counted. Talk around the halls includes

plans for transfer applications for many and looking at scheduled classes for most. In the last ten days we have hit 80 degrees and then dropped back into the mid 40's. All in a spring here in Tennessee.

As noted in these pages there are still several opportunities for you to be involved here at Vol State through the end of the semester. We in student life know that your attention is being pulled in many directions. Recognizing that

challenge we hope you will spend a few minutes at one of more of the events described when you need a touch of relief from the pressures of completing classes.

I want to express my thanks to the numbers of great students who have contributed to Vol State in the last year. I will not start naming you individually because I am bound to leave out some good ones. This has been a year of challenges, growth, and wild successes for many

of you individually and for your organizations. I wish all our students a happy summer (even if you are still here on campus) and the best of adventures for those moving on to careers or other institutions next year.

For now, keep in touch on facebook through "Vol State ACE", "Intramurals @ Vol State", or "SGA Volstate" and twitter "@VolStateStuAct" or "@VolStateACE".

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As I see it.
thoughts from Jamey Campbell