



UNIVERSITY HONORS SIX ALUMNI VISIONARIES

Six exemplary Titan alumni were honored in early February during Cal State Fullerton's Vision & Visionaries celebration. The awards presented at Vision & Visionaries are the highest honors Cal State Fullerton bestows on alumni.

This year's Distinguished Alumnus Award recipients were (clockwise, starting top left):

LOU CORREA '80 (B.A. economics), retired California state senator

JAMES GUTMANN '80 (M.B.A.), retired partner/acting consultant, Wood Gutmann & Bogart Insurance Brokers

RUSSELL HICKS (art-illustration), president, content development and production, Nickelodeon

CAROLE WAKEMAN '89 (B.A. American studies), philanthropist

MONA SIMPSON '87 (B.S. engineering – mechanical), director, shared services group supplier management, Boeing

TAM NGUYEN '05 (M.B.A.), Recent Graduate Achievement Award, president, Advance Beauty College

For more on Vision & Visionaries, visit news.fullerton.edu/2015wi/vision-and-visionaries-2015.asp.

REENTRY CENTER MEETS THE NEEDS OF NONTRADITIONAL COLLEGE STUDENTS

Last fall, more than 10,000 of the 38,128 students on campus – approximately one quarter – were nontraditional students, according to Chalea Forgues, adult reentry coordinator. Nontraditional students are typically defined as 24 years old or older with more than a year break in their education.

When they decide to come to Cal State Fullerton, “we meet with them and let them know that they need to succeed,” Forgues explained. “We walk them through the process and we track them to see if they are following through.

“We offer them workshops like how to use the library and stress management. We encourage them to make use of programs like the Writing Center. And if they are mothers, we work with them and the Children's Center and community organizations to help them with that aspect of their lives,” Forgues said.

STUDENTS HELP SHOWCASE LEGENDARY JAZZ CLUB

Three events celebrating a famous jazz club – a photo and oral history exhibition at Pollak Library, a concert at Meng Hall and this year's Hansen Lecture – helped to preserve the sights and sounds of a once-thriving jazz community.

In its heyday, Keystone Korner, which closed its doors in San Francisco's North Beach neighborhood in 1983, became a West Coast jazz hub.

Benjamin Cawthra, associate professor of history and associate director of the Center for Oral and Public History had the students in his “Seminar in Public History” and “Practicum in Public History” courses involved in all aspects of the exhibition's development and research – from meetings to acting as curators to prepping the gallery.

Megan Marie Woods, who is pursuing her master's degree in history, helped develop a design scheme for the exhibit. “This will be the highlight of earning my master's here at Cal State Fullerton.”

The exhibition runs through March 24 at the Pollak Library's Salz-Pollak Atrium Gallery.



OFFICIALS JOINED CSU LEADERS IN SUPER SUNDAY EFFORT AT AREA CHURCHES

President Mildred García, CSU student trustee and CSUF student Kelsey Brewer and CSUF alumnus Greg Bunch, a Cal State Fullerton Philanthropic Foundation Board of Governors member, joined Chancellor Timothy P. White and other CSU presidents and officials for Super Sunday, an annual effort to improve educational outcomes for historically underserved populations.

Now in its 10th year, CSU Super Sunday featured leaders from all 23 CSU campuses sharing the opportunities available through a college degree and encouraging and inspiring students to pursue higher education. Six from Cal State Fullerton visited different churches throughout the Southland on Feb. 22.

HOMECOMING 2015

Rousing music, spirit performances, carnival games, and a nail-biting basketball game were among the highlights of this year's homecoming events. Thousands gathered to cheer on the Titan men's basketball team, visit with friends and celebrate their Titan Pride at a variety of activities held throughout the week.



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Did You Know?



- Alumni earnings attributable to a Cal State Fullerton education account for \$3.2 billion in spending power. ("Working for California: The Impact of the California University System," ICF International, 2010)
- The Tucker Wildlife Sanctuary is operated by the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. The Sanctuary, located in Modjeska Canyon, provides wildlife observation areas, a seasonal creek, picnic areas, and native habitats along family-friendly nature trails. Visit tuckerwildlife.org for more information.
- Men's intercollegiate athletic programs are NCAA Division I baseball (2004, 1995, 1984 and 1979 national championships), basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, and track and field. Division I women's sports are basketball, cross country, golf, indoor and outdoor track and field, soccer, softball (1986 national championship), tennis and volleyball.
- Only 40% of Cal State Fullerton's annual operating budget is supported by an allocation from the state.