Yung-Wei Dennis Lin



Yung-Wei Dennis Lin, an assistant professor of educational leadership and counseling, received the Best Practices Award in the faculty category from the American Counseling Association. He was recognized at the National Awards Ceremony at the ACA Conference in Montréal in April.

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ttorney Karen DeSoto, co-director of the NJCU School of Business Institute for Dispute and Resolution and assistant professor of political science, was honored by the NAACP.

Vera Dika, an associate professor of media arts, spoke on "Remaking the Serpentine Dance and the Skin Light: Edison, the Lumières, and Stephanie Wuertz" during a session on "Hollywood Women in Transition" at the 2016 Society for Cinema and Media Studies Conference in Atlanta. Dika made a trip to Paris where she curated a film show and delivered a talk at the Centre George Pompidou. In late April, she curated a show and joined filmmaker Ericka Beckman at the Walker Arts Center in Minneapolis in a discussion about the vibrant

Downtown New York film and art scene of the 1970s and 1980s.

Sonya A. Donaldson, an assistant professor of English, has been awarded the Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty. The award will begin in fall 2016.

Nurdan S. Duzgoren-Aydin, a

professor and chair of geoscience and geography, has been elected president of the Society for Environmental Geochemistry and Health (SEGH), USA Section for a two-year period. SEGH provides a forum for scientists from various disciplines to work together in understanding the interaction between the geochemical environment and the health of plants, animals, and humans. As president, Duzgoren-Aydin organizes national and international events on local

and global environmental issues and concerns. Some of these take place at NJCU and involve students, faculty, and professional communities.

Audrey Fisch, a professor of English and coordinator of secondary English education, has been accepted into the 2016 HERS Bryn Mawr Summer Institute, considered one of the premier leadership development organizations for women in higher education. Since 1978, the HERS Institute for Women in Higher Education has annually offered women faculty and administrators the opportunity to participate in an intensive program that prepares them to be leaders in higher education. The participants selected for this year's HERS cohort represent institutions across the U.S.

Ellen Gruber Garvey, a professor of English, was one of only 30 scholars selected to the inaugural cohort of the New York Council for the Humanities' new Public Scholars program. The 2015-2017 program promotes public humanities engagement across New York State by offering a selection of dynamic, compelling presentations facilitated by humanities scholars.

Tan Lin, an associate professor of English, was among the poets who presented the performance program, "It's Not What Happens, It's How You Handle It," as part of MoMA PS1's "Greater New York," the fourth iteration of its landmark exhibition series.

Mary McGriff, co-chair and assistant professor of literacy education, received the Jerry Johns Promising Researcher Award, an annual honor presented by the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers (ALER) to honor and support research by a junior ALER member whose work is beyond the dissertation stage.

Antoinette Ellis-Williams



Antoinette Ellis-Williams, an associate professor of women's and gender studies and former director of the Lee Hagan Africana Studies Center, received the "Steward of the Dream Award" at NJPAC's annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration: Celebrating the Man and the Message, which was presented in cooperation with the Newark Unit of the NAACP.

Ana Maria Rosado



Ana Maria Rosado, an associate professor of music, is performing internationally as part of a year-long sabbatical leave. Last fall, Rosado performed in a solo guitar recital and led a workshop on Latin American rhythms at the first International Gharana Music Festival in Kathmandu, Nepal. Her performances since have included ones throughout Puerto Rico, Cuba, and Haiti.

Lois Weiner



Lois Weiner, director of NJCU's Urban Education and Teacher Unionism Policy Project, made her first public presentation about the project in April, a project that is designed to apply research, explained in accessible language, to address challenging issues that divide teacher unions from communities of color and support strong alliances, at the CUNY Graduate Center. Weiner, who is also a professor of elementary and secondary education and coordinator of NJCU's M.A. in Urban Education/Teaching and Learning in Urban Schools, will also discuss the project at Yale Law School and the American Educational Research Association.

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