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(Alphabetized by professor’s last name in category)

**THE ARTS**

Learning to Ask the Right Questions: Musical Analysis and Hip-Hop
Kyle Adams, Jacobs School of Music

Flawed Blessings, Bob Fosse
Selene Carter, Theatre, Drama, & Contemporary Dance

*Worth a Thousand Words: Artists’ Books at the Lilly Library
Lori Dekydtspotter and Cherry Williams, Lilly Library

A Life in Opera
Arthur Fagen, Jacobs School of Music

Lost in Translation: My Personal and Musical Journey from Kyoto, Japan, to Bloomington, Indiana
Luke Gillespie, Jacobs School of Music

The Brilliant Gershwins: Music, Race, and the American Identity
Constance Glen, Jacobs School of Music

The Evolution of the Saxophone in Jazz
Tom Hustad, Kelley School of Business Emeritus, and Thomas Walsh, Jacobs School of Music

We Need to Dream, We Need to Thrill, We Need Music: So Let’s Share Some
Peter Jacobi, Journalism Emeritus

Folk Art and Creative Aging
Jon Kay, Folklore & Ethnomusicology

PBS: America’s Television Station
Steven Krahmke, The Media School

The Sounds of Eastern Europe
Nancy Lipschultz, Theatre, Drama, & Contemporary Dance
The Hidden Hand: The Subtle Craft and Sometimes Art of Directing for the Stage
Dale McFadden, Theatre, Drama, & Contemporary Dance

A Midsummer Night’s Dream: Creating a Production
Jonathan Michaelsen, Theatre, Drama, & Contemporary Dance

Dressing the Famous Women of Theatre and Opera
Linda Pisano, Theatre, Drama, & Contemporary Dance

Somewhere West of Lonely: My Life in Pictures
Steven Raymer, The Media School

Dancers on Dance: Summoning the Beyond
Anya Royce, Anthropology

The Indian Sari: Next to the Skin, Close to the Heart
Judy Stubbs, IU Art Museum

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

The Power of Positivity
Tim Baldwin, Kelley School of Business

Atlas of Science: Visualizing What We Know
Katy Borner, Informatics & Computing

Sensitive Lifelogs: A Privacy Analysis of Photos from Wearable Cameras
David Crandall, Informatics & Computing

Global Issues in the Retail Industry: Is It Changing?
Mary Embry, Apparel Merchandising & Interior Design

Introducing Generation Z: Understanding the New “Digital” Generation
Carolyn Goerner, Kelley School of Business

*Simple Ways (or Tips) to Use Smartphones - Droid
Amy Kinser, Kelley School of Business

*Simple Ways (or Tips) to Use Smartphones - iPhone
Eric Kinser, Kelley School of Business

America’s Pixelated Economy, or How Georges Seurat Would Have Painted the USA
Morton Marcus, Business Emeritus

The Angel on Your Shoulder: Prompting Employees to Do the Right Thing Through the Use of Wearables
Angie Raymond, Kelley School of Business

Sustainable Cybersecurity: Applying Lessons from the Green Movement to Managing Cyber Attacks
Scott Shackelford, Kelley School of Business

The Economic Outlook and the Election
Bill Witte, Economics Emeritus

The Regulation of Conflict Minerals
Karen Woody, Kelley School of Business

DOMESTIC ISSUES

A Conversation on U.S. Immigration
Angela Adams, University Counsel, and Lee Hamilton, School of Global and International Studies and Center on Congress

Can Personal Privacy Be Protected?
Fred Cate, Maurer School of Law

Life and Death at the Supreme Court
Beth Cate, Public & Environmental Affairs

Am I My Brothers’ and Sisters’ Keeper? Yes! Reflections on the Economics of Poverty
Gerhard Glomm, Economics

Media Literacy
Lesa Hatley Major, The Media School

Isn’t There Anything We Can Do About Gun Violence in the U.S.?
Paul Helmke, Public & Environmental Affairs

The 2016 Presidential Election: What Will Happen and What Difference Will It Make?
Marjorie Hershey, Political Science

Law Without Borders: Exploring Cross-Border Disputes and Transnational Justice
Austen Parrish, Maurer School of Law

America’s Long Journey Toward Marriage Equality for Gays and Lesbians
Steve Sanders, Maurer School of Law

The Media We Knew and the Evolution of Future Communication: The Media School Perspective
James Shanahan, The Media School
The Affordable Care Act: Five Years and Counting
Kosali Simon, Public & Environmental Affairs

How Do We Know What Works? Adventures in Evidence-Based Public Policy
Coady Wing, Public & Environmental Affairs

One Hundred Years of National Parks
Stephen Wolter, Public Health – Eppley Institute

Damned If They Do and Damned If They Don’t: The NCAA and Violations
Kurt Zorn, Undergraduate Education

EDUCATION, HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The Health Effects of Sleep Deprivation
Daniel Agley, Public Health

*A Woman’s Work Is Never Done: Tour of Historic Wiley House
Carey Beam, Wylie House

Diet and Physical Activity for Middle-Aged and Older Adults
Andrea Chomistek, Public Health

*Tour of the Musical Arts Center
Ben Harris, Musical Arts Center

Sports Fanship, Social Identity, and Moral Relativity
Edward Hirt, Psychological & Brain Sciences

*Walking Through History on the IUB Campus: The Convergence of Vision, Architecture, and the Local Limestone Industry
Brian Keith, Geological Survey Emeritus

From Beauty Queens to Bra-Burners: IU Student Life, 1950-1970
Dina Kellams, IU Archives

Activity Trackers: What’s All the Fuss About These Fitbits?
Carol Kennedy-Armbruster, Public Health

Hoosier Games: A Viewing Guide to the Summer Olympiad
Barry King, Athletics

Women in Sport: Breaking Ground or Not?
Erin McNary, Public Health
The Fear of Saying the Wrong Thing About African Americans: “I’m Pretty Sure I’m Not Racist … Some of My Best Friends Are Black.”
Maresa Murray, Public Health

**HUMANITIES**

The Symbolism of Evil
John Arthos, English

*A Registry of Rogues: Crime and Popular Culture in the 19th Century*
Rebecca Baumann, Lilly Library, and L. Anne Delgado, English

Fashion’s Future In Its Past
Deborah Christiansen, Kelly Richardson, and Kathleen Rowold, Apparel Merchandising & Interior Design

Espionage Stories of WWII in Portugal and Spain
Gene Coyle, Global & International Studies

Barbarians and the Fall of Rome
Deborah Deliyannis, History

The Pope and Politics
Constance Furey, Religious Studies

The Bible in American Life: Usage Patterns, Editions, and Translations
Paul Gutjahr, English

Loss and Longing in Contemporary Fiction
Ray Hedin, English

*Highlights of Indiana Literature from James Whitcomb Riley to Kurt Vonnegut at the Lilly Library*
Christoph Irmscher, English

A Cuisine Unknown Even to Foodies: Native American Food, Past, and Present
Jason Jackson, Mathers Museum of World Cultures

Degenerate Science: A Brief History of Eugenics, from Victorian England to Nazi Germany, with a Stop in Indiana Along the Way
Andrew Libby, Human Biology

Lucretius Explains Absolutely Everything to You
Tim Long, Classical Studies Emeritus

Cars, Hoosiers, and Twentieth Century Change
Jim Madison, History Emeritus

A Backward Glance: The Poetry of James Whitcomb Riley
Kim Manlove, State of Indiana – Division of Mental Health

*Rational Amusements: Puzzles in the Late Victorian Era
Andrew Rhoda, Lilly Library

The McCarthy Era Through the Lenses of Different Film Genres
John Schilb, English

Margaret Atwood’s “Utopias”
Rebekah Sheldon, English

Angel Mounds: Ancient City on the Ohio
April Sievert, Anthropology

*Young (and Old) Mr. Lincoln: The Abraham Lincoln Collection at the Lilly Library
Craig Simpson, Lilly Library

The Social Psychology of the Holocaust
Scott Thompson, Psychological & Brain Sciences

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Appraising the “Theologies” of Al-Qaeda and ISIS
Asma Afsaruddin, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

A Clash of Narratives: U.S.-Iran Relations Since 1979
Hussein Banai, International Studies

Oil, Islam, and Geopolitics
Gardner Bovingdon, Central Eurasian Studies

Laying Claim to Yoga: Intellectual Property, Cultural Rights, and the Digital Archive in India
Allison Fish, Informatics & Computing

Muslim Extremism in West Africa: An Update
John Hanson, History

Today in the European Union
Jeffrey Hart, Political Science Emeritus

Tasting Dung with an Anxious Heart: Family Care in Traditional and Modern China
Michael Ing, Religious Studies
Conflict and Diplomacy in the Middle East: An Update
Feisal Istrabadi, Center for the Study of the Middle East

Russia, Ukraine, and the Politics of Energy
Robert Kravchuk, Public & Environmental Affairs

Living with Chronic Illness in China
Yan Long, International Studies

Illegal Immigration, Challenges, Fears, and Opportunities
Patrick O’Meara, International Affairs

From Virtuous Manliness (Mardaanagi) to Crises of Masculinity in Central Asia
Nazif Shahrani, Central Asian & Middle Eastern Studies

A Shot in the Dark: The Spiderweb of Rhino Poaching
Lester Wadzinski, Public & Environmental Affairs

**SCIENCE**

Fetal Tissue Research: At the Intersection of Medicine, Law and Values
Basia Andraka, Maurer School of Law, Mark Bauman, Medical Sciences, and Stuart Yoak, The Media School – Poynter Center

Climate Change: Will Paris Save Us?
Ben Brabson, Physics Emeritus

Trees: Their Evolution, Natural History, and Importance
David Dilcher, Geological Sciences

*Meet the Manikins: High Fidelity Simulations for Teaching Medical & Nursing Students
Sally Gindling, Joyce Krothe, and John Watkins, Medical Sciences

Where Do the Recently Discovered Homo Naledi Fossils Fit in the Human Evolutionary Tree?
Kevin Hunt, Anthropology

Pestilence, Pandemics and Pandemonium: Infectious Diseases in the Past and Present
Fredericka Kaestle, Anthropology

Climate Change: What’s Really Going On?
Cody Kirkpatrick, Geological Sciences
New Drugs in the Pipeline
Bruce Martin, Medical Sciences

Aliens Among Us: The Fantastic Biology of Insects in South Central Indiana
Armin Moczek, Biology

Pluto and the Ice Moons
Catherine Pilachowski, Astronomy

Hearing Loss and Tinnitus: Problems Caused by Disease, Injury, Medications, and Noise
Mark Ronan, Medical Sciences

The Visual World of Babies
Linda Smith, Psychological & Brain Sciences

Palliative Care: Death Panels, Being Mortal, and What is Most Important at the End of Our Days
Rob Stone, Medical Sciences

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