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Concert to honor musician

Music educator Arthur Ford of Tyler will be honored in a special concert by the UT Tyler Symphonic Band and Jazz Ensemble on Tuesday, Nov. 26. "A Tribute to Arthur Ford," presented at 8 p.m. in the University Center, is open to the public at no charge.

Directed by Richard Highfill, the Symphonic Band will perform selections from John Philip Sousa, Gustav Holst, Mozart and Tchaikovsky. The Jazz Ensemble, directed by George Faber and presented in its premiere performance, will perform "All of Me, "Mercy, Mercy" and "Jumpin' at the Woodside."

James Williams, director of music education for the Tyler Independent School District, will present a plaque to Ford in recognition of Ford's contributions to music.

Born near Williamstown, Missouri in 1893, Ford began studying flute, organ, violin and cornet before he was six years old. He studied aeronautical engineering at Columbia University and was involved in designing hydraulic boost controls on fighter airplanes during World War II before returning to his first love of music.

In 1950 Ford opened his own music service business in Tyler and later started the Emmett Scott High School Band in Tyler. Known nationwide for his work as band director and mentor for thousands of young students, Ford's career also has included positions as orchestra leader, booking agent for musicians, music store consultant, and managing director of the New York division of a major band instrument company.

Continuing education coordinator named

Zola Mason Walker has been named coordinator of continuing education at UT Tyler. Walker comes to the university with more than 13 years of experience in higher education, including positions with Tarrant County Junior College in Fort Worth, Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins and Penn Valley Community College in Kansas City, Missouri.

As assistant dean of community services at Tarrant County Junior College's Northwest Campus, Walker coordinated the non-credit course schedule, including developing new courses and providing supervision to professional and instructional personnel. She served on the President's Administrative Council and made presentations to on-campus groups as well as to community organizations.

At Jarvis Christian College, she served as executive assistant to the President; director of administrative services; and affirmative action officer. Her positions at Penn Valley included assistant dean of student affairs, assistant dean of administrative services, and acting dean of business affairs.

Walker, who has additional experience as a counselor and business instructor, holds an M.B.A. degree in administrative management from the University of North Texas, and M.S. and B.S. degrees from Tennessee State University.

She has been listed in *Who's Who of American Women*, *Who's Who Among Black Americans* and *Personalities of the South*. In 1977 she was named "Woman of the Year in Education" in Kansas City.

Walker replaces John Childs who resigned to become business officer at Jacksonville College.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Dr. James Koukl, medical technology program director, spoke to veterinary students and biomedical science majors at Texas A&M University Nov. 5.

Dr. Vista McCroskey, assistant professor of history, has received the 1991 Phi Alpha Theta - Westerners International Best Dissertation Award for her dissertation "Plain Folk in Texas: 1821-1861." The award was announced at the Phi Alpha Theta luncheon Oct. 17, part of the Western Historical Association's annual meeting in Austin.

Drama recognized at theatre festival

UT Tyler's theatre production of "Another Antigone" was honored at the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF) competition recently in Fort Worth. Cast members Gaynor Edwards, Kara Wise and James E. Johnson were nominated for the prestigious Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship and Dr. James A. Hatfield, director of theatre, received a certificate of excellence for his set design.

Edwards, Wise and Johnson will be eligible to compete for \$1,000 scholarships at the ACTF regional festival Feb. 20 - 24 in Lubbock and have the opportunity to advance to the national festival at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

Other universities and colleges competing in the state festival included the University of North Texas, Texas Woman's University, Midwestern State University, Texas Wesleyan University, Richland College, Tarrant County Junior College, and Eastfield College.

PERSONNEL UPDATE

NEW EMPLOYEE

Zola Walker
Coordinator of continuing education
BUS 145, ext. 7362
Effective 11-11-91

UTFLEX FILING REMINDER

The filing period for FY 1991 UTFLEX expenditures under the medical expense and dependent care reimbursement accounts closes Nov. 30, 1991. Plan to submit claims now to avoid losing any reimbursements for expenses incurred before Aug. 30, 1991.

HOLIDAYS ADDED

The holiday schedule for 1991-91 has been approved and two additional holidays have been added: Monday, Jan. 20, 1992, Martin Luther King Jr. Day; and Wednesday, March 25, 1992, Spring Break (in addition to March 26 - 27, previously scheduled staff holidays for Spring Break).

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

Thanksgiving holidays for 1991 will be Thursday, Nov. 28 and Friday, Nov. 29.

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'Miss Julie' to return Dec. 5

"Miss Julie," August Strindberg's hallmark play of modern realism, will return Dec. 5 in UT Tyler's repertory theatre season.

Performances are scheduled 7:30 p.m. Thursday - Saturday, Dec. 5 - 7, in ADM 127.

"Miss Julie" sets the male-female relationship against the concept of class struggle prior to the turn of the 20th century. D.M. Phillips plays the title role. Jere Hunter is Jean the valet and R. Malina Sutton portrays Christine, Jean's love interest until his liaison with Miss Julie.

Janee McGoff, lecturer in drama and speech communication, directs the production.

Complimentary tickets for faculty and staff are available by calling the Department of Drama and Communication, ext. 7253.

Chorale holiday program planned Dec. 3

UT Tyler's Concert Chorale will present a program of seasonal music Tuesday, Dec. 3 in the sanctuary of Glenwood United Methodist Church. Open to the public at no charge, the performance begins at 7:30 p.m.

Directed by Dr. Thomas L. Allen, Department of Music chairman, the 33-voice choir will present sacred and secular works for Advent and Christmas. Janet Wheeler, adjunct instructor in music, will accompany the choir and a featured work, "Christmas Cantata," will be accompanied by a brass ensemble from Stephen F. Austin State University.

Postal box, Mail Room relocated

The Postal Service drop box for stamped mail has been moved to outside the University Center entrance. Also, UT Tyler's Mail Room has been relocated to PHY 112 (northwest corner of the Physical Plant).

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