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## Girls at work

UCT kicked-off National Women's Month by joining the Take a Girl Child to Work Day (TGCWD) initiative and hosting 30 Grade-10 girls from the Centre of Science & Technology (CO-SAT) school in Khayelitsha.

The TGCWD is an annual corporate social investment event to help young women reflect on their roles in society and prepare them for the world of work.

At UCT the learners enjoyed a campus tour, spent time in the botany and chemical engineering labs, and attended talks on careers. They also learnt about UCT's recruitment process and financial aid programme. Welcoming the learners, Gerda Kruger, executive director for communication and marketing, said higher education is the most effective single intervention in the fight against poverty.

Deputy registrar Dr Karen van Heerden said the event also highlighted a milestone: 125 years of women on campus. A lot has changed at the university over the years, she noted, except that women have always been vocal and involved in issues affecting society.

Van Heerden encouraged the young women to become pioneers, look after their bodies, find nurturing relationships, and recognise their potential.

"The road will never be smooth. Don't be put off by constraints, but constantly work around them." ■



Light up: Khathala Majija was one of 30 young women from COSAT who spent time at UCT on 8 August, part of the university's Take a Girl Child to Work Day event.

# Patriot Act a lesson for SA - Strossen



Rallying cry: Prof Nadine Strossen drew comparisons between threats to academic freedom in the US and in South Africa in her TB Davie Memorial Lecture. (The video and pod cast can be accessed at [www.uct.ac.za/news/lectures/tbdavie/past\\_lectures](http://www.uct.ac.za/news/lectures/tbdavie/past_lectures))

The USA Patriot Act remains a thorn in the side of activists and academics in the US.

This according to Professor Nadine Strossen of the New York Law School in the US, who delivered her 2011 TB Davie Memorial Lecture, titled *Post-9/11 Threats to Academic Freedom*, at UCT on 4 August.

The USA Patriot Act (aka the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001) was hurried through the US Senate following the September 11 attacks that year. And it's a sometimes sweeping piece of legislation that Strossen's often had to butt heads with in her capacity as former president and current member of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).

An organisation dedicated to defending individual rights and liberties in the US, the ACLU has often had to oppose government

decrees made under the Patriot Act. For example, when it represented Professor Adam Habib, the University of Johannesburg deputy vice-chancellor and outspoken critic of the US wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, in a lawsuit against the US government (under both Bush and Obama). Habib was repeatedly denied visas for scholarly visits to the US on the grounds of 'ideological exclusion'. (Only in 2010, after a three-year suit, did the US secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, finally end Habib's exclusion.)

In this case, as it did in the barring of Professor Tariq Ramadan of the University of Oxford, the ACLU argued that the Patriot Act and ideological exclusion violated Americans' First Amendment right to hear constitutionally protected speech by denying foreign scholars, artists, politicians and others entry to the US, explained Strossen in her lecture.

This government expansion of power and constriction of individual rights, in the name of the War on Terror, was the "single most important, overarching challenge to human rights" in the US over the past decade, she said. Ever bipartisan, the ACLU has even crossed swords with those once assumed to be friends rather than foes.

"Unfortunately, though, the Obama administration has pursued too many other policies that are claimed to be essential to the war on terror, but which actually function as a war on academic and intellectual freedom," Strossen said.

There are lessons here for academics in South Africa, particularly in the light of the much-vilified Protection of Information Bill that the South African government is attempting to pass into the law books.

Taking her cue from a recent essay, *The Prevention of Scholar-*

*ship Bill* ([www.sacsis.org.za/site/article/686.1](http://www.sacsis.org.za/site/article/686.1)), by Professor Jane Duncan of Rhodes University, Strossen urged academics to speak up and out.

"Professor Duncan's critique of the bill rings all too familiar in terms of US government policy, vesting undue power in the executive branch of government to enforce an overbroad concept of national security and state secrets that stifles the acquisition and dissemination of vital information and ideas," she said. "Even more disturbing than the government suppression that Professor Duncan describes is her conclusion that some universities here aren't resisting it with sufficient vigour."

If Duncan is correct, her words should serve as a rallying cry for any member of the South African academic community who has not thought to defend academic freedom, said Strossen. ■

# Integrate mental health and HIV care – Joska

There is a clear link between mental health and HIV, yet limited attention is paid to addressing both conditions concurrently, according to Dr John Joska, a senior specialist at UCT's Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health.

Setting the stage for the conference, *Mind, Body, HAART*, hosted by the Groote Schuur Hospital-HIV Mental Health Group on 11 and 12 August, Joska cited the stigma associated with mental health, the heavy burden of HIV, and the skills shortage as reasons for the problem.

The conference was attended by scores of healthcare providers, from nurses and doctors to psychologists, counsellors and academics.

Joska pointed out that psychological disorders such as depression, anxiety and alcohol abuse are more prevalent among HIV-

infected patients, and these lead to numerous adverse health, economic and personal outcomes.

Joska called for what one practitioner described as a "top-to-toe service", an integrated health care approach, ideally offered at the same time in the same place.

"If you have a patient that you need to refer out, it is difficult for him to come back for another visit or to go to a distant place, ending up in him defaulting in his treatment," Joska reasoned. "In the ideal world, services are co-located and are integrated."

And all providers need to increase their skills, and the work of health-care providers needs to be continuously researched.

"There can be no health without mental health," added Joska. ■

*Integration in care: Dr John Joska believes in one-stop mental health care provision.*



## Zoologists pile up awards

Doctoral students of the Department of Zoology have been sweeping up awards across the nation. Sharon Okanga took the prize for the best student presentation at the July conference of the Zoology Society of Southern Africa, held in Stellenbosch. Marietjie Kotze won the same award at the XVIIth Congress of the Entomological Society of Southern Africa in Bloemfontein earlier that month. Also in July, Tali Hoffman (in picture) picked up the prize for best student paper at the annual meeting of the Primate Ecology and Genomics Group (part of the South African Primatology Association), held in KwaZulu-Natal. And in June, Vere Ross-Gillespie was named the winner of the award for best paper presented by a PhD student at the Congress of the Southern African Society of Aquatic Scientists, who also met in KwaZulu-Natal. ■

## Development unit builds on community

For 11 years, the Education Development Unit (EDU) in the Faculty of Commerce has attracted and retained students who have overcome gaps and disparities in education and life.

But what stood out at this year's EDU annual awards ceremony on 28 July, hosted to recognise students' achievements, is the sense of community that the programme is inculcating.

"What is important about the programme is that it develops students who want to achieve individually, but who also have a sense of their responsibilities to the broader community," said Associate Professor Rochelle Kapp, acting director of the Academic Development Programme.

"This is like a community," said Morne Hoffman, a BCom third-year student. "First, [staff at the EDU] help you to settle in, to fit in, and make you feel welcome. They know all of us, not just as students; they're



Best moment: EDU Student of the Year winner, Yvette Adams, (second, left) is congratulated by (from left) Dean of Commerce Prof Don Ross, EDU director Dr June Pym, and EDU co-ordinator Daniel Munene.

very involved with our lives. And as students we click, we go out together and help one another."

Classmate Luigi Brown added that although academic life is not always easy, the EDU's support structures, such as workshops, tutorships and social events, had made it manageable.

Outstanding students included Yvette Adams, a student parent who started the Student Parents on Campus society, who was named EDU Student of the Year, and Sakhe Mkosi, who achieved 97% in first-year maths in the June exams, a mark that could not be matched even by mainstream students. ■

## EU, SA join forces for new postgrad deal

It's a catch-22 situation: South Africa's shortage of academics with PhDs means that not enough PhD researchers can be graduated to ease the shortage.

This quandary, says Mahlubi Mabizela, chief director of university policy at the Department of Higher Education and Training, was the motivation behind the launch of the Erasmus Mundus Academic Mobility Scholarship Programme in South Africa, in partnership with the European Union (EU).

UCT hosted the country's first Erasmus Mundus national pre-departure event on 5 August, attended by over 100 scholarship recipients from across the country, who will be on their way to universities across Europe in the next few months as part of their PhD and master's degree studies.

"This is an historic first," said Berine Kramer, social sectors programme officer of the EU Delegation to South Africa. "We're making this road for subsequent generations by walking it."

Kramer explained that the event



Welcome: EU officer Berine Kramer addresses South Africa's first Erasmus Mundus scholarship beneficiaries.

was being hosted at UCT because this was in line with Higher Education and Training Minister Blade Nzimande's view that all university-related events should take place at a university; and because the majority of beneficiaries hail from the four Cape universities. "This, I hope, will be seen as a challenge to be taken up by the north."

Mabizela explained that the scholarship programme had specific targets: it should largely benefit previously disadvantaged institutions,

boost the output of postgraduates, build and strengthen partnerships, and promote skills transfer.

"I hope that this programme will translate into 'degrees with currency'," he said.

UCT deputy vice-chancellor Professor Thandabantu Nhlapo urged the scholarship recipients to stay in touch with each other, and to remain a visible part of the programme that will benefit future generations and the African continent. ■



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# UCT surgeon bags Shoprite award

UCT's Dr Elmi Muller scooped the health care-givers category at this year's Shoprite Checkers Women of the Year Awards, announced in Johannesburg on 23 July.

In 2008, Muller – based at UCT's Department of Surgery and at Groote Schuur Hospital – became the first surgeon in the world to transplant a kidney from an HIV-positive donor to an HIV-positive recipient. She and her team carried out this historic transplant in October that year, and they have since performed nine similar procedures.

The Shoprite award allowed her to talk very publicly about issues of transplantation and HIV – issues highly stigmatised in South Africa, said Muller.

"I hope winning this award will help to stimulate public consciousness about transplantation in general.

I believe it will also make a concrete difference in the lives of the patients to whom I am able to offer treatment for terminal conditions."

Muller is currently organising a local World Transplant Day event, scheduled for 24 September at the V&A Waterfront in Cape Town. The day will include a film and photo competition, and entry forms and more information are available on [www.worldtransplant-day.info](http://www.worldtransplant-day.info).

The Shoprite Checkers Women of the Year Awards recognise exceptional and visionary women achievers who, "with determination and foresight", are making an impact on the future of fellow South Africans. ■

*Pioneer: Dr Elmi Muller has won national acclaim for her HIV-related transplants.*



## Divas and dancers at VC's Concert

The Vice-Chancellor's Concert at the Baxter Theatre Centre on 10 and 11 August featured a smorgasbord of talent from the South African College of Music (SACM), the performers and programme tailored to reflect a milestone in UCT's history this year: 125 years of women on campus.

Dubbed South Africa's 'Divine Diva', Aviva Pelham introduced each item on the programme, but first paid tribute to UCT's women pioneers. (Pelham herself is a pioneer, having performed at the Baxter since 1966. She still contributes to the SACM as a part-time staff member.)

Vice-chancellor Dr Max Price responded in kind in his welcome to staff, listing numerous luminaries among UCT's women staff and students, and noting that women make up 55% of the student body.

Each item was a highlight, from the quartet of flautists to Amanda Tiffin and the UCT Jazz Choir and UCT Jazz Voices, which showcased the vocal talents of Leah Adams, Margot de Bruyn, Sade Ross, Vuyo Sotashe and Chad Zerf. Alumna Kathleen Tagg performed works



*Jazzed up: Romy Brauteseth on bass. (See video at <http://www.youtube.com/user/UCTSouthAfrica>)*

from Franz Liszt and Earl Wind.

Mindful of the theme when he introduced the Opera School, director Professor Kamal Khan was apologetic: "Opera is often about giving women a hard time!" he quipped.

The school's riches underscored Pelham's observation that "the world is snapping up our students".

To end the evening, Dizu Plaatjies and his troupe of drummers and dancers saturated the concert hall with their rhythms and energy. Plaatjies runs an after-school programme to empower young women and his young dancers. Now to find a way to bottle that energy. ■

## Tripartite research boost for local mining industry

The newly formed South African Minerals to Metals Research Institute (SAMMRI) sprang from a tripartite collaboration between government, industry and academia to promote the development of mineral processing research in South Africa.

To this end, SAMMRI's formal launch on 3 August was also the launch for its pilot programme: nine projects have been awarded to six South African universities, and researchers presented the progress of their work during the course of the day.

Three projects are run by UCT research teams. Professor Jean-Paul Franzidis' project in the Department of Chemical Engineering is on the development of a method to recover coal while addressing the risks of acid rock drainage; Associate Professor Dave Reid's team in the Department of Geological Sciences is testing platinum mine tailings (the leftover materials after valuable and not-so-valuable ore have been separated) residue for gas emissions; and Dr Aubrey Mainza in the Department of Chemical Engineering is researching the energy consumption of tumbling mills (grinding machines).

Through its nine projects, SAMMRI also hope to boost the number of postgraduates nationally entering the mining industry.

The project's long-term goal is



*Mineral growth: At the Cape Town launch of SAMMRI were (from left) Marinus du Plessis of Exxaro, Prof Cyril O'Connor, July Ndlovu of Anglo American Platinum, Dr Neville Plint, and Dr Victor Ross of Lonmin. Du Plessis, O'Connor, Plint and Ross are members of the SAMMRI board.*

for the R3-million investment from government and industry for the pilot programme to develop into long-term (and significant) rolling funding jointly supported by industry and government.

Newly elected SAMMRI chairman, Dr Neville Plint from Anglo American Platinum, believes SAMMRI will serve as a catalyst to build the next generation of researchers. "Right now, one of our main goals is the growth of research capacity at our universities by getting involved in these projects."

Plint argues that SAMMRI's industry origins are advantageous for all involved. "Through the involvement of government (DST), universi-

ties and industry, we'll have access to partnerships and resources to implement the outcomes of newly generated research," he says.

Emeritus Professor Cyril O'Connor, director of UCT's Centre for Minerals Research, was deeply involved in establishing SAMMRI. Speaking at the launch, O'Connor said that the institute would make a significant contribution to ensuring that South Africa remained globally competitive in its mining and minerals processing R&D, as it faced the new challenges of lower-grade ore bodies and the need to use water and energy in a sustainable manner. It will also contribute greatly to the production of highly skilled people for the industry. ■

## UCT women aplenty in M&G book

Mail & Guardian's Book of South African Women is a celebration of the achievements of women in South African society. (Or, in the words of M&G editor-in-chief, Nic Dawes, "to discover and represent people who are doing transformative work".)

This year's edition, launched in August and viewable online, features plenty of UCT-affiliated names. Here are several we spotted:

Graduate Lauren Beukes, who recently won the Arthur C Clarke Award – pipping some big-league authors to the post – for her book, *Zoo City*.

Professor Anusuya Chinsamy-Turan, the UCT scholar whose work on prehistoric animals and whose book,

*Famous Dinosaurs of Africa*, showed once again that the continent has much to teach about life on planet Earth.

Graduate Yoliswa Dwane, co-founder and head of policy, communications and research at Equal Education, a grassroots organisation based in Khayelitsha.

Professor Jill Farrant, who holds the research chair in molecular physiology and plant desiccation tolerance at UCT.

Lara Foot, UCT graduate and award-winning writer and director, and now chief executive of the Baxter Theatre Centre, the first woman to hold the post.

Zama Katamzi, UCT physics

graduate and researcher at the South African National Space Agency Space Science division, who in her spare time encourages youngsters to take up – and enjoy – science at school.

Tarisai Mchuchu-Ratshidi, UCT law graduate and now director of the South African branch of Young in Prison, an international organisation that uses art to teach life skills to juvenile offenders.

The ever-bubbly Zolani Mahola, a UCT graduate more famed for her role as lead singer for Afro-pop group Freshlyground.

Graduate Kirti Menon, registrar at the University of the Witwatersrand. Psychologist Morgan Anne Mitch-

ell, who works closely with UCT's Law Clinic to help victims of violence and rape in Cape Town.

Fine-arts graduate Nandipha Mntambo, named the 2011 Standard Bank Young Artist for Visual Art and whose work is currently on a national touring exhibition.

Engineering graduate Nombulelo 'Pinky' Moholi, managing director of Telkom, or, as M&G would have it, "the First Lady of Telkom".

Master's graduate Joy Olivier, co-founder and executive director of IkamvaYouth, an NPO that offers academic support, career guidance, life skills and computer literacy training to township youth.

Graduate Dr Samantha Peterson is senior manager of the World Wide Fund for Sustainable Fisheries Programme.

Karen Sliwa, professor of cardiovascular research and director of the UCT Hatter Institute who, while at Wits University, founded and still leads The Heart of Soweto study, a large-scale project to understand heart disease in that sprawling neighbourhood.

Helen Zille, premier of the Western Cape, leader of the Democratic Alliance and, well, she worked here once. (And at the behest of student groups, she's likely to be spotted on campus a couple of times a year.) ■

# Children's participation is key, says *Gauge*

**DANIELLA POLLOCK**

Children's participation in decisions that affect them is essential for improved service delivery.

This is one of the key messages of the *South African Child Gauge 2010/2011*, released on 16 August by UCT's Children's Institute. The launch, hosted jointly by the institute and UNICEF South Africa, made one thing very clear: children not only have the right to be heard, their tell-it-like-it-is points of view are a good measure of the state of our democracy.

To drive the point home, the launch was kicked off by children. In a meeting with the press, the children highlighted some of their concerns – the shortage of libraries, parents who spend grant money on booze and drugs, and children's safety, among other things.

The new *Child Gauge* – the sixth – puts children's political rights under the spotlight, drawing on legislation such as the Children's Act.

All professionals working with

children are now legally required to tell children what's going on, inform them about their choices, find out how they feel, and take these views seriously. (*The Gauge* recounts the story, for example, of a 15-year-old girl from the Eastern Cape whose public submission on forced child marriages was eventually adopted by Parliament.)

The publication also points out that children have the right to participate in the running of schools and other learning centres.

Speaking at the launch, Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities, Lulama Xingwana, acknowledged that there are hurdles to service delivery, often pointed out to her by children.

But just like government, parents, too, should pay closer attention to what children are saying, she pointed out.

"Don't dismiss; listen," she said. "It grows self-esteem and builds capacity for children to take decisions that shape their future." ■



Children take issue: Learners sign copies of the new Child Gauge, which looks at children's political rights.

## Zimbabwean visiting scholar

As part of a collaborative teaching and research exercise between UCT and the University of Zimbabwe, Dr Itai Muwati is on a month-long visit to teach undergraduate classes and to present a seminar hosted by the School of Languages and Literatures – the UCT equivalent of the African Languages Literatures Department, which he heads at the University of Zimbabwe. Muwati's visit is made possible by UCT's Visiting Scholar's Fund. The Fund has also enabled two staff members from Zimbabwe to register for PhDs at UCT from 2010. ■



## Open research for public good – Chan

With technology increasingly making it easier for people to connect even as social problems persist, it makes sense that open research is touted as the way to go.

And, as Dr Leslie Chan of the University of Toronto in Canada puts it, there is a link between research, access to research, and addressing global ills such as disease, climate change and poverty.

"The actions we take, even by not making our research available, could have serious consequences for all of us," he said.

Chan, a global authority on open research, was delivering a seminar, *Global Perspectives on Open Research: A bird's eye view*, organised by the Scholarly Communication in Africa Programme, OpenUCT and UCT's Research Office.

Open research is the use of internet and digital technologies to share research and includes open-access publishing, open data sharing, open educational resources, and the use of



Information activism: Dr Leslie Chan of the University of Toronto wants research to be freely available.

open-source software.

Chan based his argument on the fact that print journals are in decline, and there is an increase in networking and a return to the concept of the invisible college, in which scientists collaborate voluntarily – not because

they work in the same field, but because they have complementary insight, data or skills.

The challenge, though, is to sustain and spread such innovations, he said.

Networks seem to be an answer. ■

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## Innovative teacher wins Stella Clark Award

If, in the wake of the foundation phase tests, recent media reports made much of what's gone wrong with school education in South Africa, then the Stella Clark Teacher Award Teachers Award fêtes what goes right.

Never more so than in the case of 2011 recipient, Sipiwe Thwala, a maths teacher at Kwezi High School in KwaZulu-Natal. At the award presentation hosted by UCT's Centre for Higher Education Development on 16 August, Thwala was hailed for his dedication and innovation as a maths teacher.

Among those doing the hailing were UCT students taught by Thwala at Kwezi and Siyamukela High School, also in KZN. They spoke of how, under Thwala's instruction, their marks went from middling to excellent.

Mndeni Msibi, the student who had nominated Thwala for the award, recounted how the teacher's use of peer education – pairing up learners – helped him up his marks.

Thwala, in turn, spoke of the importance of language in teaching. (He throws in *tsotsi taal* when the occasion calls for it).

"Sometimes you find that learners fail maths not because they don't understand the subject, but because of the language barrier," Thwala said. "As teachers we need to use different languages to make it easier for them."

The award is made in remembrance of the late Stella Clark, a senior lecturer in the Language Development Group in the Centre for Higher Education Development until her death in 2005.

Thwala, Msibi and Siyamukela High received monetary awards, sponsored by Sekunjalo and Paarl Media. ■

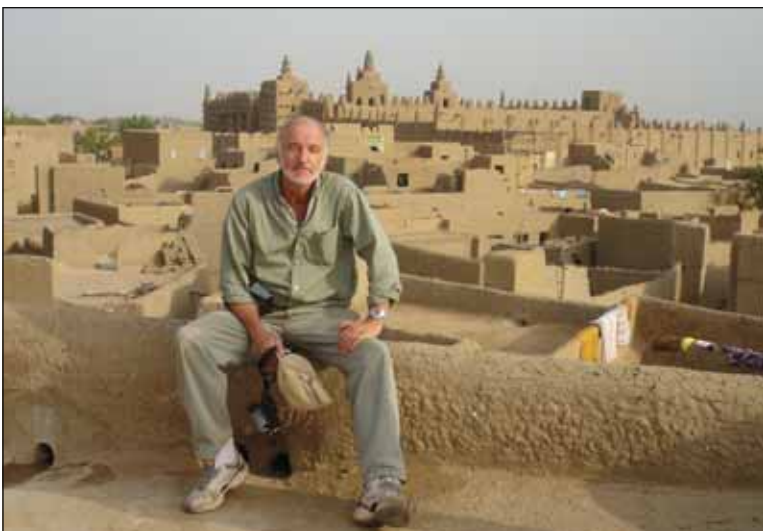




Detangling the degree path: Prof Bongani Mayosi and students on a ward round.

## News system to fast track clinicians

Why do US scientists dominate as Nobel Prize-winners in medicine? Professor Bongani Mayosi, head of UCT's Department of Medicine, believes intercalated MBChB/PhD degrees may be the answer. This fast track system, now being implemented at UCT, "detangles" the degree path for top students, enabling them to take a break from their MBChBs to complete an intensive honours, master's or doctoral research programme, before returning to complete their medical degrees. "This system allows us to catch students while they're still young, and embed a culture of research in them," says Mayosi.



Heritage: Emer Prof Heinz R ther photographed at the Great Mosque of Djenn  in Mali, the world's biggest mud building.

## Chinese Academy honour for R ther

Emeritus Professor Heinz R ther, head of UCT's Department of Geomatics, has joined the governing board of the International Centre on Space Technologies for Natural and Cultural Heritage, a newly formed body falling under the auspices of UNESCO. Appointed by the Chinese Academy of Science, R ther was in Beijing for the centre's launch and its first board meeting on 22 July. The centre's mission is to assist developing countries to use Earth observation from space for the conservation and documentation of cultural and natural heritage sites. R ther and his team at Zamani have done some pioneering work on African sites, including the Lalibela churches in Ethiopia and the Great Mosque of Djenn  in Mali.

## Tread lightly with supplements, PhD cautions

Nutritional supplements have become all the rage at gyms and sports clubs. But their influx into the country has been so out of the blue that lawmakers and watchdogs have not yet caught up. And for now, these supplements fall in the no-man's land between the legislation that covers food and that covering medicine, cautions Gary Gabriels, a doctoral student and principal technical officer in the Division of Clinical Pharmacology, in a new paper, *Will the new Consumer Protection Act prevent harm to nutritional supplement users?*, published in the South African Medical Journal. Not only do some of these supplements contain banned substances – so take heed, sports folk – but the promises on the labels



haven't always been peer-reviewed, according to Gabriels. His bottom line: the Consumer Protection Act should promote greater levels of policy development, regulatory enforcement and consumer education on South Africa's booming supplement industry.

# Grande dame of herbaria



Leaves in time: Terry Trinder-Smith, curator of the Bolus Herbarium, which celebrates 100 years on campus this year. The herbarium was founded in 1864 and moved from Kirstenbosch to UCT in 1911.

UCT celebrates 100 years of custodianship of that famous repository of plant specimens and material, the Bolus Herbarium. Founded in 1865 in Graaff-Reinet by stockbroker and amateur botanist Harry Bolus, the herbarium is the "quintessential collection" of the Cape Floral Kingdom, and the country's oldest functioning herbarium.

Although it does not approach the size of university herbaria in Rome, Los Angeles, Zurich or Michigan, it houses a collection of over 350 000 specimens, making it the third-largest in Southern Africa. The earliest plant specimens in the collection were gathered by William Burchell in 1824, during his famous travels into the interior.

The herbarium is a floral data banking system; each unit, a dried and pressed specimen of plant material mounted on card together with its name, is accompanied by information on locality, associated vegetation, habitat, flower colour,

name of collector and date of collection.

New plant specimens arrive to be added to the collection all the time, and this material is first frozen for 48 hours to eradicate bugs.

"There's a whole suite of insects that love to munch up dry specimens," said Bolus Herbarium curator Terry Trinder-Smith.

The value of the collection is in its historical record. For example, the herbarium houses a species list for Rondebosch Common, from long before development took place along its periphery.

"Records like these help botanists determine shifts in species distribution patterns over time, and can act as a basic tool by which we can assess how climate change may affect species distributions in the future," said Trinder-Smith.

Education was important to Bolus, and he donated money to the South African College (from which UCT emerged) for a chair of botany.

This became the first full-time botanical teaching post in South Africa. In 1917 the post was designated the Harry Bolus Chair of Botany and its first incumbent was Harold HW Pearson, later founder and director of the National Botanic Gardens at Kirstenbosch. On his death in 1911, Bolus bequeathed the herbarium and his botanical library to UCT. Much of the collection is available to the world's scholars thanks to a Mellon-funded digitisation project that wrapped up in 2007.

Decades ago the first UCT taxonomists collected plants from ox wagons or mule carts. Now 4x4s take them to remote places in the Karoo, Richtersveld and Drakensberg in search of new specimens. As part of the centenary celebrations Trinder-Smith plans to take a party of top botanists into the mountains beyond Touws River, hoping to collect new specimens that might add value to the collection, or possibly even find a new species. ■



Several exhibitions and lectures will mark the centenary of the Bolus Herbarium on campus. The first of these is on 23 August when Professor Peter Linder of the Institute for Systematic Botany at the University of Z rich will speak on herbaria, universities and plants systematics. Linder was a lecturer at UCT from 1987 to 2001. On 24 August Dr John Rourke, former curator of the Compton Herbarium, South African National Biodiversity Institute, Kirstenbosch, will speak on Harry Bolus (in portrait). Professor William Bond, the Harry Bolus Chair of Botany, will deliver a lecture on 25 August titled *The Green Planet: The Strange and fascinating world of plants*. These lectures will take place at 18h00 in the Botany Building. An exhibition, *A Living Legacy: Harry Bolus*, a Cape Cameo Collection, curated by Mary von Blommestein of the Irma Stern Museum, will run from 23 August to 9 September. ■

# Irma Stern's 'artreach' educates young visitors

Fifty groups have already participated in the UCT Irma Stern Museum's educational programme, launched in January 2010 as an addition to the successful commercial gallery run by the director, Christopher Peter.

Curator Mary van Blommestein is responsible for co-ordinating this educational initiative, with local schools forming the major target group. Of the 30 groups that have participated this year, two were sponsored by SHAWCO's Star outreach project.

The school tours comprise an introduction to Irma Stern's art and an opportunity for learners to select a work for discussion – or to use as inspiration for their own compositions.

Several successful Saturday morning workshops and drawing classes have been held, some in collaboration with the Children's

Art Centre in Zonnebloem. Groups of matriculants (and learners aged only eight) have visited, and feedback has been positive, Peter reported.

Dr Leon Holtzhausen of UCT's Department of Social Development set a written assignment for second-year students, which included a tutorial at the museum where the artwork and collections were used as an opportunity for communication and self-reflection.

"It is hoped that the educational programme will continue to expand and develop a new generation of art lovers," added Peter.

Next month Ian Garrett and Rae Hearn will be holding their exhibition, titled *Confluence*, which will be on view from 3 to 24 September.

(For further enquiries, contact the UCT Irma Stern Museum on 021 685 5686 or e-mail [mary.vanblommestein@uct.ac.za](mailto:mary.vanblommestein@uct.ac.za).) ■



Fun with art: UCT's Johann van der Schijff (standing) and the FJAC's Liels Hartman (far right) enjoy a lighter moment with art educators during a workshop.

## Art teachers at play

LIBO MSENGANA-BAM

The Michaelis School of Fine Art and the Frank Joubert Art Centre (FJAC) have been running a series of Saturday morning workshops for art educators involved in Further Education and Training (FET) in Cape Town.

The workshops provide Michaelis lecturing staff and educators the opportunity to exchange knowledge, experience and skills in an informal setting. The series aims to provide a practical classroom application

and an enriching experience for the educators.

"It is our way of increasing our visibility in the FET community and saying thank you to the FET community for all their hard work," said Jean Brundrit, the Michaelis lecturer who is driving this project. "Ultimately we benefit from their excellent teaching through the students that come to study with us at Michaelis."

Topics covered at the workshops and evening lectures so far include curating, experimental drawing, conceptual art and art therapy. ■

## Lead role for Botha

Assoc Prof Martin Botha of UCT's Centre for Film and Media Studies has become the first South African member of the prestigious *Fédération Internationale de la Presse Cinématographique*, which translates as the International Federation of Film Critics, but is better known around the world as FIPRESCI. The author of six books and over 200 articles on South African media, Botha joins critics and journalists from over 60 countries with the aim of promoting the artistic development of cinema. ■



## Award for Rooks



After 26 years of service in UCT's financial aid offices, Adelaide Rooks is retiring this year on a high note. Rooks was honoured for her long service in the field at the tenth annual Financial Aid Practitioners of South Africa (FAPSA) conference held in Bloemfontein in June. "I've

known Adelaide since my student days," says student financial aid manager Tasneem Salasa. "For many she has been a mother figure, and she's an inspiration to all who know her." Attending the function were (from left) colleague Zahir Baker, Rooks, and husband, Wilfred. ■

## Opportunities for study of anxiety disorders

The Brain-Behaviour Initiative (BBI) at UCT has received a boost – a grant from the European Union. The grant, called the Joint European and South African Research Network in Anxiety Disorders (EUSARNAD), will allow an interchange of students between UCT and a range of outstanding European universities. Students will be able to gain skills in areas such as neurogenetics, neuroimaging and other aspects of the psychobiology of anxiety disorders and related conditions. The aim of this research exchange is to share knowledge and expertise among participating centres in order to ensure a comprehensive translational research approach in anxiety disorders, relevant to the needs of developed and developing societies. Professor Dan Stein, director of the BBI, said that he was really delighted by the opportunities this would provide for brain-behaviour students. For further information please email Katherine Sorsdahl ([kattsorsdahl@gmail.com](mailto:kattsorsdahl@gmail.com)) or Stein ([dan.stein@uct.ac.za](mailto:dan.stein@uct.ac.za)). ■



## LETTERS

### Human rights watch point

As readers of the Monday Paper may know, Chinese artist and activist Ai Weiwei was arrested in April on his arrival at Beijing airport, and was detained by the Chinese authorities for almost three months. Released in June, Ai Weiwei has been prohibited from speaking publicly or giving interviews, and is placed under virtual house arrest. Although the Chinese government claims that Ai Weiwei was arrested

for 'tax evasion', *The Guardian* disagrees: "He is the most high profile of dozens of activists and dissidents arrested, detained or harassed in recent months in what campaigners called China's most severe crackdown on human rights in over a decade. Several are still held and many of those who have been freed are understood to have been released under strict conditions." Ai Weiwei's arrest and detention adds another shameful chapter to China's record

of human rights violations, and the detention of critics of the Beijing government raises deep concerns about the erosion of free speech in China. UCT is currently establishing official links with China via the Confucius Institute. In protest at Ai Weiwei's arrest and detention, and in support of freedom of expression and human rights, I would like to urge UCT management and the Confucius Institute based at UCT to issue an official condemnation of the arrest and

detention of Ai Weiwei, and of the violations of his rights to freedom of expression.

*Elisa Galgut*  
Department of Philosophy

### Speak up

I would love to read more articles like *Fixing South Africa's schools* (MP Vol 30#10) by the vice-chancellor, Dr Max Price, and the director of the Schools Development Unit, Dr

Jonathan Clark. I found the article well written and it gives a good picture of how bad our education system is, what caused it, and what needs to be done. What I don't get is the 'how' part – whether it's possible with the current administration in the education system, and if not, what roles institutions like UCT should play to have their recommendations taken seriously.

*Constantine Mudau*

EVENTS

**UCT INAUGURAL LECTURES**

Date: 24 August 2011. Speaker: Professor Steve Reid, Primary Health Care Directorate, Faculty of Health Sciences Title: The Music of Health for All. Time: Guests to be seated by 17h15 for 17h30

Date: 07 September 2011. Speaker: Professor Eric Wood, Graduate School of Business. Title: The Art of Value Creation. Time: Guest to be seated by 17h15 for 17h30

Date: 14 September 2011. Speaker: Professor Pierre De Vos, Public Law, Faculty of Law. Title: The past is unpredictable: Race, redress & remembrance & the SA constitution. Time: Guest to be seated by 17h15 for 17h30.

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**Philosophy Society Meeting** Date: Tuesday 30 August @ 20h00, Speaker: Dr Greg Fried (Philosophy, UCT). Title: Hume on Miracles. Venue: LS3A, 3rd Floor, Robert Leslie Social Science Building.

**Farewell to Prof Melissa Steyn** She leaves us to take up a post at Wits at the beginning of October. In order to honour the many years she has dedicated to UCT and iNCUDISA, we will be hosting a farewell seminar on Friday, the 2nd of September from 13:00-14:00 in the CAS Gallery

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# Students now on cloud UCT

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Using Microsoft's Outlook Live service, myUCT.ac.za comes with a host of services and facilities. These include 10GB of mailbox space (so, good for a while), 25GB of online storage, instant messaging, free use of Office Web Apps and an email address for life. (Plus the promise of spam-free email.)

Master's, doctoral and postdoctoral students will be moved as part of the staff migration in 2012. ■



Going live: Undergraduate and honours students were the first to savour myUCT.ac.za.

## Graduands flock to career fair

Based on the turnout at their most recent event, it's not surprising that UCT's Career Service has increased its annual Career Fairs from four to five this year. Students packed the Jameson Hall for the early August fairs, and the third, on 15 August, was fully booked a week in advance, according to Nawaal Boolay, employee liaison manager at Career Service. And, as student Robyn Smith puts it, the fairs are the best platforms for students – in particular, those who are close to graduating – to meet potential recruiters, and glean more information about opportunities available in the world of work. ■



## Maron comes in to bat



The UCT Cricket Club has named Ryan Maron as player/coach to resuscitate its waning fortunes in the upcoming 2011/2012 cricket season. Maron brings a wealth of cricket experience and knowledge to the club, having played for the Western Province senior provincial team and coached the Danish national team. He was also assistant national coach for the Netherlands. Maron has been running Ryan Maron's Cricket School of Excellence since 1998. UCT's once-mighty first team was relegated to the 1B League last season. ■



Entrepreneurs in the making: Students Andrea Petersen and Theko Makhoalibe of team T-art exhibit their product at the PDE product launch.

## Project turns postgrads into entrepreneurs

It has been proven beyond a doubt. UCT's Postgraduate Diploma in Entrepreneurship (PDE) Genesis Project moulds students into business people, and accelerates their transition from academia to the real world.

The figures speak for themselves. For 13 years, students in the PDE have managed to turn their R50 loans into profitable businesses in just months (last year one group made a record R200 000), and about one-third of participants continue their businesses beyond the course schedule.

"What I like about this programme is its ability to take young people and, in a short time and accelerated manner, turn them into successful entrepreneurs," noted lecturer

and course convenor, Stuart Hendry. "The underlying problem in this country is unemployment, and entrepreneurship is the way to go," he added.

The project requires students, from diverse backgrounds and often with no business knowledge, to network and form teams that develop businesses over a year.

On 10 August this year's eight teams showcased their products, built on the back of some valuable lessons. For student Mark Gituma these lessons were about interpersonal skills, teamwork – and handling rejection.

"To some people, when you're selling, it's as if you're a beggar, and you've got to handle that." ■

## Robinson calls on Will-power

Will Robinson rates the 70km World Ultra Trail Championships, staged in Connemara, Ireland, in July, the hardest course he's ever done. Robinson, a maths doctoral student at UCT, was part of the first South African team to compete in the event, hosted by the International Association of Ultrarunners. Much like the course, the six South Africans had their ups

and downs – Robinson, recovering from a bad cold, lost some skin on the slippery parts of the run, and two had to bail out. Veteran Bruce Arnett fared the best of the South Africans (36th), Su Don-Wauchope was the 14th woman home (77th overall), while Robinson finished 68th, in a time of 8:48:08. Geomatics lecturer Dr Ake Fagereng represented Norway. ■

