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- New Listings

1. Resources and Support

★ RHD Officer Dr Grazina Pranauskas on Long Service Leave
What: RHD Officer Grazina Pranauskas will be on annual leave/long service leave from 4 April 2016, returning on 1 September 2016. From 11 April 2016 to 31 August 2016 Lauren Crock from the Academic Support Office will be acting RHD Officer in the Research Office.

★ Upskills up and running!
What: The UpSkills program offers a range of training sessions designed to equip graduate researchers with the knowledge and skills needed to undertake their degree successfully. The sessions are run by the University of Melbourne's Academic Skills, Library and Centre for the Study of Higher Education (Melbourne CSHE) and available free for graduate researchers currently enrolled at the University. The UpSkills program is designed to help participants navigate their degree, improve their research skills, write their thesis, communicate their research, conduct effective library research and develop transferable professional skills.
Further Information for programs, dates and booking:
http://melbourne-cshe.unimelb.edu.au/study/professional-development/upskills

★ Research Mentors Program 2016-17
What: The Research Mentors Program provides outstanding research leaders with ideas, concepts and tools to become effective mentors of research staff and students. Run as a series of master classes, all participants play a role in delivering the Program. Mentors available to participants in past programs include Professor Sir Gustav Nossal, Prof Loane Skene, Prof Peter Doherty, Prof Bernadette McSherry, Prof Leon Mann and others. Applications close Friday 1 April.
Further Information: for an application form, contact sylvias@unimelb.edu.au Enquiries and registration: Sylvia Schaffarczyk 8344 8664 / sylvias@unimelb.edu.au
Applications for the UoM Excellence Awards Including the Excellence in Supervision Award

What: We encourage you to put forward nominations for the award, and in particular to encourage applications from female supervisors. Only 3 of the recipients over the last 10 years have been women.

When: by Friday, 1 April


Applications Now Open for the Pathways to Politics Program

What: Have you ever considered a career in politics? Do you want to change the status quo? The Melbourne School of Government’s Pathways to Politics Program for Women is a non-partisan initiative designed to redress the continued under-representation of women in Australian politics. The Program will provide a select group of female University of Melbourne students and alumni with the support and encouragement to aspire to elected office at local, state, and national levels.

Funded by the Trawalla Foundation and modelled on the Harvard Kennedy School program ‘From Harvard Square to the Oval Office’, this executive program is designed to provide hard skills training, with an emphasis on aspiration and leadership. It will feature guest presenters from across the political spectrum including politicians (both sitting and retired), pollsters, public speaking professionals, campaign strategists, advisors, consultants and public policy experts, as well as leading figures in Australian political and public life.

The program will accept up to 25 participants selected on a competitive basis. To be eligible to apply you must have completed:

- an undergraduate degree at any university, and be currently enrolled in a masters or doctoral degree at the University of Melbourne; or
- an undergraduate or an honours, masters or doctoral degree at the University of Melbourne.

When: Applications are now open and will close at midnight on Monday 11 April. Successful applicants will then be notified on Monday 16 May.


The 2017 Melbourne Research Fellowships

What: The 2017 Melbourne Research Fellowships (Career Interruptions) Program is now open. The Program enables eligible researchers to enhance or re-establish their academic careers where they have been severely interrupted, delayed or otherwise constrained by acute or chronic illness, child bearing, child rearing or other caring duties. Successful Fellows will receive $60,000 (oncosts inclusive) plus $15,000 for travel or research support, including small equipment purchases.

When: by Monday 2 May.


Please direct any researcher queries to ric-internalgrants@unimelb.edu.au.
2. Exhibition & Public Program

★★ ThoughtLAB-14: To Kill Time
What: The discovery of hyper-time should have changed everything. But somehow, even though we can access an additional time dimension, allowing us to add an extra twelve hours to each day, the same old problems remain. The one world government has decided that something productive should be done, and is looking to mandate the way in which people are permitted to spend their additional time. You are on the parliamentary committee entrusted with this decision. Somehow, you must balance the pleas from representatives of the business, health, environment and activist groups. How will you choose to keep the citizens of the world from just killing time?
Timepieces, an exhibition of selected works by Stephen Haley, will accompany this event. Facilitated by Dr Renee Beale, Creative Community Animator, Carlton Connect Initiative
Guest panel:
Dr Stephen Haley, artist and Senior Lecturer at the Victorian College of the Arts
Weston Lewis, Sustainability Consultant,
Umow Lai Jacob Workman, Manager Education and Programs, the Centre for Workplace Leadership
When: Tuesday 12 April, 6.00-7.30pm. Timepieces showing Wednesday 6 April to Wednesday 20 April
Where: LAB-14, 700 Swanston Street, Carlton

★★ Keir Choreographic Award Public Program
What: Keir Choreographic Award public program, presented in association with the 20th Biennale of Sydney and the Victorian College of the Arts, includes upcoming talks by Adrian Heathfield on 5 April at 7.00pm, and a lecture/performance with the wonderful Philipp Gehmacher on 6 April at 7.00pm

Lecture & Conversation with Adrian Heathfield - The Persistence of Performance
What: Adrian Heathfield: "Taking a close look at the situation of performance practice in the museum, this talk questions the temporal dynamics and cultural resonance of distributed acts."
When: Tuesday 5 April 7.00pm
Where: Dancehouse 150 Princess Street Carlton North
Cost: $15 / FREE for Dancehouse Members & Students *, *Bookings essential
Further Information: READ MORE AND BOOK HERE

Walk & Talk No.19 with Philipp Gehmacher
What: Philipp Gehmacher: "The proposal for a different lecture performance format was partly a reaction to listening to theorists discussing choreographers’ works and physicality … walk+talk is intended as a format neither fully written nor improvised yet a wander along a score that needs to be instantiated to create presence."
When: Wednesday 6 April 7.00pm
Where: Dancehouse 150 Princess Street Carlton North
Cost: $15 / FREE FOR DANCEHOUSE MEMBERS & STUDENTS *
*Bookings essential
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3. Faculty of VCA & MCM Research Office Location and Contact Listing

Research Office Locations
What: The Research Office is located in Room 210 in the Conservatorium of Music, Building 141, Gate 12, Royal Parade in addition to our Southbank Campus location in the Old Police Hospital, Building 865, 234 St. Kilda Road
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