1. RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

RESEARCH BAZAAR CONFERENCE: DIGITAL TOOLS, SKILLS & LITERACY
The Research Bazaar is a free three-day conference aimed at helping researchers with digital tools and digital literacy. The event will run from Tuesday 21 February to Thursday 23 February 2017. Researchers at every stage of their career from departments, schools and research areas are welcome. The event will also be rich in social activities, making for great networking opportunities. Please share widely to your colleagues, friends and students.
Register at: http://go.unimelb.edu.au/qc3a
More information: http://go.unimelb.edu.au/8b7a Enquiries: Dejan Jotanovic / dejan.jotanovic@unimelb.edu.au

IMPORTANT UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE LINKS
- University of Melbourne Graduate Researcher Hub for all current graduate researchers, with resources and information to get you from orientation through to graduation
- Graduate Researchers Homepage on Research Professional: your homepage for research funding
- Skills development opportunities offered by the University of Melbourne.
- The Thesis Whisperer [blog]: just like the horse whisperer – but with more pages
- Career Services and resources to support your career development and prepare for employment

2. EVENTS, PERFORMANCES, SYMPOSIUMS, CONFERENCES AND EXHIBITIONS

WE ARE FAMILY - JOIN THE MIDSUMMA PRIDE MARCH
Over 200 University staff and students, along with their friends and family, formed the largest contingent at last year's Midsumma LGBTIQ Pride March. Come and join this celebration of diversity again on Sunday 29 January. The Trinity Tiger Tones will be there to sing some tunes and D2 Drumline will make plenty of noise as they lead us down Fitzroy Street St Kilda. Enquiries: tony.dann@unimelb.edu.au More information and registration: http://go.unimelb.edu.au/od3a
CHLOE VALLACE - PhD VCA CANDIDATURE CONFIRMATION SEMINAR
Title: Drawing Insight Documents of a Daily Practice
Drawing insight documents of a daily practice is a meditation on drawing stimulated by the history, poetry, philosophy and practice of yoga.
Drawing insight is a process of introspective wisdom, an imaginative visualisation and an intuitive understanding. Insight practices are forms of contemplation and meditation.
My studio methodology, drawing insight is presented as a conceptual application of drawing that cultivates space between stimulus and response, between feeling and form, between invocation and representation; in which the process of mark making and movement becomes a meditation of inter being.
This paper investigates and discusses qualities of drawing in relationship to yoga meditation practices, specifically questioning how does a drawing oscillate between invocation and representation, and can this movement embody insight?
Date: Thursday 2 February 2017
Time: 10.00-11.30am
Drawing performance begins at 10am, followed by a 5-minute guided meditation.
Venue: VCA Student Gallery 1, 2 & 3, 38 Dodds St, Southbank VIC (Enter via Gate 4)
The Student Gallery will be open to the public to view works-in-progress exhibition: 10.00am - 4.00pm, Tuesday 31 January - Wednesday 1 February

HANNAH BERTRAM PhD VCA - 475AA – EXAMINATION EXHIBITION
Title: Emerging from and disappearing towards dust
The research investigates the ambiguity of permanence and impermanence using the medium of dust. Through considering the relationship between ephemeral art and documentation, the material and poetic possibilities of dust in relation to time, and the melancholy experience of preservation and loss, the thesis articulates the concept of “enduring temporality.” It addresses questions about what we seek to preserve, compared to what we identify as worthless, and the paradox of experiencing life as perpetual, knowing that we return to dust.
Date and Times: 2/2/2017- 11/2/2017
Opening night - 2/2/2017
Time: 5.30 - 7.30pm
The exhibition will be open to public Thursday 2 February to Saturday 11 February 25 June from 12.00 - 5.00pm.
Where: Margaret Lawrence Gallery, 40 Dodds Street Southbank, Melbourne.

VCM&MCM GRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM 2017 - REMINDER
We would like to invite all graduate researchers to participate in the 2017 Graduate Research Symposium which will be presented as a Faculty wide event on Friday 24 February 2017 at Southbank. It will be part of the compulsory Orientation Program for all new faculty researchers. What a great audience! These Research Symposia are designed to provide an opportunity for you to “test” your research projects in a semi-formal and supportive interdisciplinary environment. There will be a strong emphasis on Confirmation Seminars at this event, as many of you will be due for Confirmation at this point. It will also provide a forum to get to know other graduate students and share research and research experiences. Lunch will be provided.
The presentation format for a Standard Presentation for Masters and PhD level will be 30 minutes duration with a presentation/performance of 20 minutes and a 10 minute response/question time. For PhD Conversion, Confirmation and Completion Seminars, a presentation timeslot of 60 minutes duration including 40 minutes presentation and 20 minutes response time will be allocated.

What do you have to do to be involved?
1. To present your work, submit an Abstract by Tuesday 24 January 2017. This should include:
   - Student number and full name;
1. Presentation title, indicating if this is a Conversion, Confirmation or Completion Seminar – or your Progress Review seminar presentation;
2. 100-150 words abstract in word format;
3. An image of your work with an image credit that you are happy for us to use in publicity;
4. Any technical requirements for the presentation;
5. Your Course and Supervisor/s detail.

Submit this abstract electronically by the due date to vcamcm-research@unimelb.edu.au

2. If you are presenting a paper, we would ask that you commit yourself to attending the whole day;
3. We encourage you to come along on the day as an audience member if you do not feel ready to present;
4. Encourage other students (including new researchers and honours students) and your peers to attend;
5. Encourage your supervisor to attend.

While it is a requirement that all PhD candidates approaching confirmation and completion will present at such a forum, the Symposium is open to all graduate researchers, and especially new research students should attend and participate.

With your participation, we look forward to a robust and innovative Symposium program this year. This is just one of the research initiatives taking place in 2017.

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Faculty Events Listings: Find out what is happening and stay connected
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VCA Events Listings: http://vca.unimelb.edu.au/events
MCM Events Listings: http://conservatorium.unimelb.edu.au/events

3. FACULTY OF VCA & MCM RESEARCH OFFICE LOCATION AND CONTACT LISTING

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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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