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Upcoming Events



The English Department's Annual Holiday Party will take place on Thursday, 16 December, 4:00-6:30 pm at Campus House. Friends and family are welcome! There will be hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Please RSVP to **MAUREEN LOUGEN** (lougenm@buffalostate.edu) by Monday, 6 December (so we can get an estimate on those hors d'oeuvres...).

A book launch for *The Elpis Pages* edited by **KAYLA KING** (Writing '13) will be held starting at 6 pm on December 10 at Project 308 gallery in North Tonawanda. The volume brings together poetry, short stories, flash fiction, creative nonfiction, and essays from self-identifying women worldwide. All earnings will be donated to the [Planned Parenthood Action Fund](#), an organization that helps protect access to safe, legal abortion and reproductive rights. For more information, visit [KAYLA's website](#).



Opportunities for Students and Faculty

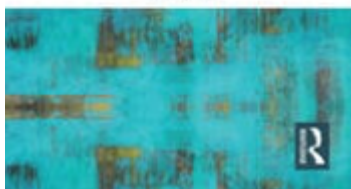
Spring 2022 scholarship applications are now available in the [Campus Application Portal for Scholarships \(CAPS\)](#)! Students may apply for spring 2022 scholarships until Wednesday, January 12. Email scholarship@buffalostate.edu with questions.

Faculty News



JOEY NICOLETTI'S poem "To Razor Shines" has been nominated for a Pushcart Prize. This poem appears in [Fan Mail](#); his latest full-length poetry collection. **JOEY** also has a book review of Emilio DeGrazia's poetry collection *What Trees Know* in the next issue of *Voices in Italian Americana*.

Here's a link to the new (and cheaper!) paperback version of **PETER RAMOS'S** book [Poetic Encounters in the Americas: Remarkable Bridge](#).



KIM CHINQUEE'S fiction "Mick and Dick" received Special Mention in the 2022 [Pushcart Prize XLVI](#): Best of the Small Presses; her flash fiction "I'm No Tulip" has been included in the public art collaboration between Just Buffalo and Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA): [LIT CITY: On the Move](#); her flash fiction "A Little Airshow" was published in [Matter Press: Compressed Journal of Creative Arts](#); her flash fiction "Formation" (originally published in NOON 2016 and later in The Pushcart Prize XXXI: Best of the Small Presses, 2007) was reprinted in [FLASHFICTION.NET](#); a review of her book *Snowdog* (Ravenna Press, 2021) was recently published in [Tupelo Quarterly](#).

"Two Cape Cod Poems" by **LISA BERGLUND** have appeared in [New World Writing](#).

The Poets and Writers Series launched by **DAVID LAMPE** in 1974 is the subject of a feature story on the Buffalo State website, part of the commemoration of the college's 150th anniversary. The article also celebrates the recordings of interviews and readings that comprise the Dr. David Lampe Poetry Speakers Collection, now digitized and available

through E. H. Butler Library's digital commons. The full story is here:

<https://suny.buffalostate.edu/news/look-back-literary-series-brought-hundreds-esteemed-poets-writers-campus>.

Another anniversary story shared by department faculty is the [moving account](#) of 1914 Buffalo State graduate Alice Condon, as told to her granddaughter **CATHERINE METILLE**.

Student and Alumni News

KAYLA KING (Writing '13) reports that she has earned her MFA in fiction; earlier this year she published a collective of work written during the pandemic from authors worldwide. Her new edited volume is forthcoming—see the book launch info at the top of the newsletter.

Check out English major **CAIT MALILAY's** story in The Record about the Buffalo State Mock Trial team (below) returning to in-person competition under the leadership of **DAVID BEN-MERRE**: <https://buffstaterecord.com/17005/news/suny-buffalo-state-colleges-mock-trial-team-shares-what-they-loved-most-about-returning-to-in-person-competition/>.



Recommended Reading

If you like big, sprawling cultural histories, you'll definitely enjoy Louis Menand's *The Free World: Art and Thought in the Cold War*. It is an intelligent page-turner, and, as it runs nearly 800 pages, it will keep you occupied. I barely got off the sofa during Thanksgiving break—I kept refreshing my drink and reading one more chapter.

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