



**CLA WELCOMES THE
ORAL HISTORY
ASSOCIATION (PG 3)**



**VISIT THE TODD ART
GALLERY ON
SATURDAYS THIS
SPRING (PG 4)**



**THANK YOU TO
TENNESSEE BREW
WORKS! (PG 2)**

SPRING 2018 NEWS



Pushing the Message

As part of a university corporate sponsorship, our branding campaign is on display in Bridgestone Arena. While we understand the value of a Liberal Arts education (I hope!), we know that students, parents, the taxpayers and political leaders of Tennessee, and even our own colleagues on campus do not understand why what we do for all students is crucial to their success as individuals and to the functioning of our society. “Telling our story” is a central component of our strategic plan, and we are taking that message beyond campus with the help of MTSU Marketing & Communications and Creative & Visual Services.

Ella Weaver will organize a faculty and staff discussion event this semester so that we can help you articulate the value of what we do in Liberal Arts.

2018 Celebration of Excellence

Many thanks to our beverage sponsor—Tennessee Brew Works! We hope you enjoyed the event this year and welcome your feedback. If you have not visited the Nashville home of Tennessee Brew Works, they serve excellent food and beer.

Peter D's, owned and operated by alumni of our Department of Sociology & Anthropology, provided the delicious food. You can explore more of their menu at the restaurant, located at The Avenue in Murfreesboro.

Finally, thanks to all of you who attended and spent time socializing with colleagues from across campus.

CLA College of Liberal Arts



**EXPLORE
YOUR WORLD**
shape the future

Students need to be comfortable operating in a globalized, multicultural society and can gain the skills to do so in a variety of majors.



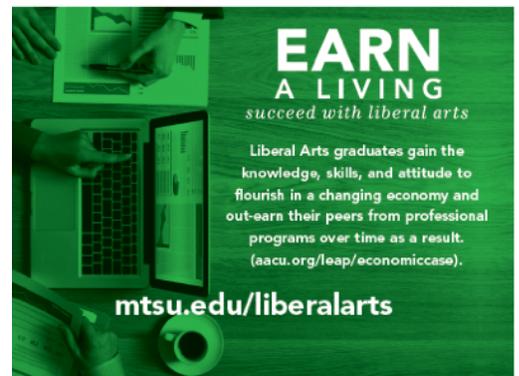
**ENGAGE
YOUR MIND**
solve real-world problems

Students need to be critical thinkers capable of solving complex problems in an unstructured environment.



**ENRICH
YOUR LIFE**
showcase your skills

Creativity is the hallmark of successful entrepreneurs. Enhance your creativity through participation in a variety of programs in the fine and performing arts.



**EARN
A LIVING**
succeed with liberal arts

Liberal Arts graduates gain the knowledge, skills, and attitude to flourish in a changing economy and out-earn their peers from professional programs over time as a result. (aacu.org/leap/economiccase).

mtsu.edu/liberalarts



Updates to our website are in progress, which will include a way for you to tell us about your accomplishments so that we can brag about you and celebrate with you in 2019.

Oral History Association National Headquarters at MTSU

The Oral History Association's executive offices are now open in Peck Hall 217 and ready to work with you and your students.

The OHA promotes the practice of oral history across disciplines and is typically technologically sophisticated in recording and archiving sound. Oral history methodology therefore has application not just to history, English, or American Studies, but to psychology, the health fields, library sciences and Recording Industry, among others.

If we can be of service to you and your students, let us know!

Kris McCusker and Louis Kyriakoudes, Co-Directors, Oral History Association

615-898-2544.

Peck Hall Renovations this Summer

We received funds to improve the public areas of Peck Hall. We have asked the designers to work up plans to improve the stairwells, corridors, and the courtyard. As soon as they come back to us with plans, we will schedule a public meeting so that you can see our options. As a result of the maintenance work, no classes will be scheduled in Peck Hall this summer, and there will be some disruptions to the offices. However, the improvements to flooring, walls, lights, and the exterior gathering spaces will be worth the inconvenience. **Thanks to Mark Byrnes** for his incessant complaining about our facilities, a tradition I continue with enthusiasm.



Saturdays at Todd Hall

Contemporary Printmaking and My Practice

Join us in the Todd Art Gallery this Saturday at 3 p.m. for a discussion, short presentation, and Q & A with printmaker and faculty member Nick Satinover.

Also available 2/3/2018

IN TODD ART GALLERY:

SGC International Members Exhibition

IN GALLERY 210:

Three Diggles and A Chair

MTSU Printmaking Faculty: Kimberly Dummons, Nicole Foran, Kathleen O'Connell, and Nick Satinover

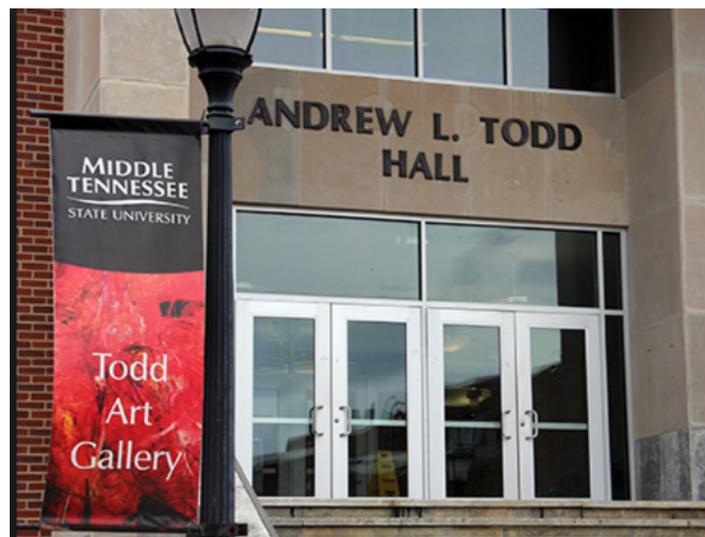
IN GLASS GALLERY:

Print Blitz, Winter 2017.

Located in Todd Hall, rooms 224A, 210, and 224, these events are free and open to the public. Events are scheduled on Saturdays 11am-4pm on Saturdays through May.

Refreshments to be served.

No RSVP necessary.



CLA by the Numbers, Fall 2017

- **316** full-time faculty (203 tenured or tenure-track)
- **53** full-time staff (across all units)
- **2,507** students (2,228 undergraduate, 279 graduate) & additional 85 undergraduates w/CLA 2nd major
- **11** Academic Departments
- **8** Centers or Institutes
- **20** undergraduate majors & over **50** minors
- **2** Ph.D. programs and **6** Master's programs
- **76,128** Student Credit Hours (SCH) taught in Fall 2017 (**48,558** in general education)
- **29%** of all SCH and **53%** of general education SCH at MTSU
- **\$4.4m** active grant funding
- **Dozens** of co-curricular programming opportunities, including Band of Blue, Debate, Mock Trial, and much more
- **Hundreds** of concerts, shows, and art exhibits annually
- **7%** of CLA students studied abroad in 2016-2017 (<2 % of MTSU students studied abroad)
- **42%** of students who studied abroad in 2016-2017 were CLA majors
- **12%** of all students at MTSU are Liberal Arts majors, yet **47%** of national and international fellowship recipients are Liberal Arts majors and **88%** of undergraduate Fulbright awards go to Liberal Arts majors

A Sampling of CLA Spring Events

- Feb. 6: Michael Frchetti, “Nomadic Cities and Silk Road Dynamics”
 - 7:00 pm, BAS State Farm Room
- Feb. 23: History Day
 - Student Union
- Feb. 28-March 4: The Taste of Sunrise
 - Times vary, Tucker Theatre
- March 17: MTSU Jazz Artist Series, Illinois Jacquet Jazz Festival
 - 7:30 pm, Hinton Hall
- April 5-8: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
 - Tucker Theatre
- April 18-21: Holocaust Studies Conference
 - James Union Building
- April 19-21: Spring Dance Concert
 - Tucker Theatre
- April 21: Scholars Week CLA Day
- April 23: Scholars Week Poster Session
- April 23-24: MTSU Opera Theatre presents The Impresario, by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, and The Disappointment, by Andrew Barton.
 - 7:30pm, Hinton Hall.

For questions about CLA events, contact [Connie Huddleston](#)

Coming Soon to Your Email Inbox...

- Major changes to the CLA Awards Ceremony
- A new administrative fellowship in the College
- An opportunity to evaluate all staff in the College
- A mechanism to share your accomplishments with us online

Keep in Touch

We have staff to assist you with student advising, internship placements, curriculum proposals, facilities, faculty recruiting, events and publications, development, and much more. Stop by or call the office at 2534 if we can be of assistance.

