

# CONTINUING EDUCATION NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2013

# Student Research Addresses Disappearing Art

During the summers, UW-Whitewater's School of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education funds the Student Undergraduate Research Fellowships in Community Based Research (SURF-CBR) program. With the guidance of a faculty mentor, students in the SURF-CBR program develop research projects that apply their academic skills, experiences, and ideas to real-world problems.

Last summer, two metalsmithing students were concerned about the declining value our society puts on hand-made objects and the skills that are necessary to produce them. Under the mentorship of Teresa Faris (Art), students Beth Zarden-Benson and Kelley Morrison worked with the CATHE (Community, Art, Technology, Health, and Education) Center in Burlington, Wisconsin, to lead metalsmithing/oral history workshops for high school-aged community members. They brought local artists together with workshop participants to pass on and preserve the history of hand skills that are disappearing from our culture. Participants learned basic metalsmithing techniques while interviewing local artists, then made a piece of jewelry/body adornment inspired by the artist they interviewed. The pieces were sold in a silent auction, with the proceeds going towards building studio space for community classes at the CATHE Center. "The best part about this project has been the experience of bringing together seasoned blacksmiths and high school art students," Morrison said. "It was great seeing what came out of the meeting of two generations greatly separated by technology."



# **Upcoming Events**

Early Childhood Conference, April 5-6

Creating New Opportunities for Learning, April 18

Caring for Trees and Shrubs Workshops, April 20 and April 27

## **Related Links**

Graduate School Summer Session Winterim Credit Outreach Workshops and Training Camps and Conferences Fairhaven Lecture Series Domestic Travel Study Partners in Education Educator Resources



Applications for the SURF-CBR 2013 program are currently under review. For more information on the program, including resources for faculty mentors, visit the Undergraduate Research <u>website</u>.



Kelley Morrison



Beth Zarden-Benson

# **New Programming for Community Members**

The School of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education is excited to announce new lifelong learning opportunities for our community members, alumni, and any other adults interested in learning something new.

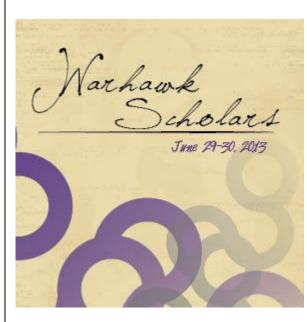
Caring for Trees and Shrubs What do you know about trees and shrubs? Would you like to find out how to care for them to improve their longevity and the look of your landscape? Join us for two courses on the identification, care, and maintenance of these plants that add interest and value to our properties. Sign up for one or both of the courses, given by UW-Whitewater gardener Michael Jesiolowski, by clicking here. Is there a topic you would like to learn more about? Would you like to share your expertise by teaching a course or workshop? Contact Kari Borne (bornek@uww.edu) with your ideas.



#### JUST IN TIME FOR SPRING! CARING FOR TREES AND SHRUBS

TREES AND SHRUBS: INTRODUCTION, IDENTIFICATION, AND OTHER BASICS Saturday, April 20

TREES AND SHRUBS: PLANTING, PRUNING, AND PESTS Saturday, April 27



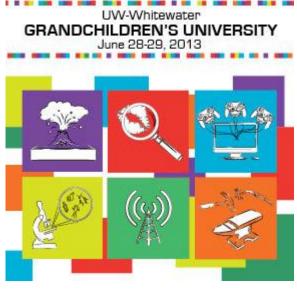
Would you like the opportunity to be a

Warhawk Scholars

college student again, just for a couple of days? How about learning from some of the best professors and engaging with classmates? Maybe even stay overnight in a state-of-the-art residence hall? Join us this summer for Warhawk Scholars a residential, lifelong learning program at UW-Whitewater for adults. Take a few classes, tour the campus and facilities, eniov meals and activities, and stav in Starin Hall this June 29 and 30, 2013. Join in the traditions of excellence and fellowship, and in the journey for new experiences. For more information and to register, click here.

#### Grandchildren's University

Now in its second year, Grandchildren's University once again will offer a unique intergenerational program to community members. New this year are "majors" in Communication and Forensic Science, which are sure to please future radio stars and budding investigators and their grandparents alike. Popular majors back for a second year include Art Metals, Biology, Geology, and Media Digital Arts. Come work together on hands-on learning activities, meet other grandparents and their grandchildren, and have fun! Register today!



# **Education Outreach Grant Proposals Sought**

The School of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education is seeking proposals for funding support that establish or enhance relationships between UW-Whitewater and area educators. Up to \$45,000 may be available to UW-Whitewater faculty or staff to develop or nurture collaborations that focus on Common Core State Standards, development of 21st Century Skills, create innovative programs in the areas of globalization, technology, or diversity, or align with University strategic planning goals. Previously funded projects have included establishing a center for gifted student development, promoting scientific inquiry in elementary science students, and creating dual language programs in area schools. A list describing recently funded projects can be found by clicking here, and complete guidelines and forms can be found here. Spring proposals are due May 3, 2013. Questions about this program can be directed to Seth Meisel, Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education (meisels@uww.edu).

# UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN WHITEWATER

# SCHOOL of GRADUATE STUDIES AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

## UW-Whitewater to Host InterActiv Technology Conference

Now in its fourth year, the <u>InterActiv Technology Conference</u> is expanding and relocating to UW-Whitewater. The conference offers school district teachers and administrators a myriad of hands-on experiences including Google Docs, iPads, Promethean and Smart Boards, and Web 2.0 Tools. Approximately 300 teachers and administrators from around Wisconsin attended last year; this year, the conference will be capped at 400 participants. The conference will also feature vendor partners, who will showcase products for use in adverting (and offer grant deer prized).

education (and offer great door prizes!).

This year's conference has expanded to four days -- participants can come for the two day Conference, stay for the two day Technology Academy. The Technology Academy gives educators a chance to create content for use in their classroom above and beyond what they learned at the conference. Conference registration is required for Academy attendance.

Now that the InterActiv Conference will be held at UW-Whitewater, faculty, staff, and student participation is strongly encouraged. Please visit the <u>link</u> for more information and check out the sectional proposal form. Have a favorite app, trick with a SMART Board, a science 'gadget,' or a website? Please



consider sharing your knowledge with others through a sectional presentation.

If you have other questions please contact: Linda Nortier, Education Outreach Coordinator, at nortierl@uww.edu or 262-247-1050 (office) or 608-751-3612 (cell).



# Did you know...

Over 100 videos of lectures are available for you to view? Videos from Fairhaven lectures since Fall 2007 are on our <u>website</u> and can be viewed for free whenever and wherever is convenient for you. Topics range from American politics to international issues, from historical figures to innovative technologies. Faculty from all the colleges on campus, as well as community and business leaders talk on a wide range of topics - surely there is one that will interest you! Check it out!

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