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What’s coming up at Triton College

River Grove, Ill. – The following are events coming up at Triton College. All of the events listed are free and open to the public and will take place on Triton’s River Grove campus, located at 2000 Fifth Ave., unless otherwise stated.

Jan. 20 through Feb. 13
Annual District High School Art Competition, Fine Arts Gallery, Room J-107 (J Building)
Following the successful plan of the 2014 competition, this year the show will again display works created by Triton district’s high school students and chosen by the college’s faculty for awards. Each year’s show is uniquely powerful with a range of superb quality work that increases each year. A public reception is scheduled for 6 to 9 p.m. Feb. 11 in the gallery. Regular gallery hours are 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

Feb. 2
Kickoff Celebration, Noon to 1 p.m., Room B-130
Triton College’s My Roots Club and the Black Heritage Council present the Black History Month Kickoff Celebration that begins the college’s monthlong celebration of the history and culture of African-Americans. The event will feature live music, poetry, free soul food refreshments, a community resource fair and special recognition and the presence of the Tuskegee Airmen. Seating is limited; early arrival is encouraged. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For more information, contact Richard Brown at richardbrown@triton.edu.

Feb. 5
**Brookfield Zoo Day**, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Career Services Center, Room A-204 of the A Building. Learn about full-time and part-time job and internship opportunities with Brookfield Zoo at an event held on Triton’s campus. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3619, or email richwilliams@triton.edu.

Feb. 5, 12 and 19
**Perspectives of the Black Experience Series**, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Room B-130A
Various films will be shown that depict the life, history and culture of African-Americans. A discussion will follow each movie screening. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For more information, contact Larry McGhee at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3277, or email larrymcghee@triton.edu.

Feb. 9
**Bake Sale Fundraiser**, Noon to 2 p.m., Student Center Cafeteria
Join Triton College’s Black Heritage Council during its bake sale to raise funds to support student scholarships. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For more information, contact Larry McGhee at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3277, or email larrymcghee@triton.edu.

Feb. 11
**Blood Drive**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Student Center Cafeteria (B Building)
You have the power to help save a life. Triton College will have a Blood Drive for all who’d like to contribute to help save a life. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3359.

Feb. 11
**Triton College Faculty Artist Series**, 7 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
In celebration of Valentine’s week, Triton College music faculty member Akiko Konishi will perform a recital of piano works inspired by the theme of love. Nineteenth-century romantic piano works will be featured in her program. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

Feb. 16
**National African-American Read-In**, Noon, Triton College Library
The Triton College Library will once again hold the annual National African-American Read-In, a national initiative meant to encourage reading and spotlight African-American authors and poets. The Triton community and community members are welcome to attend the 25th annual event to read aloud excerpts from an African-American author of their choice. Participants are also welcome to bring their own written prose or read from a book provided by the Library. The African-American Read-In is sponsored nationally by the Black Caucus of the National Council for Teachers of English (NCTE) and endorsed by the International Reading Association. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For more information, contact Lucy Smith at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3591.

Feb. 16 through March 13
**Jill LoBianco-Bartalis**, Fine Arts Gallery, Room J-107 (J Building)
Jill LoBianco-Bartalis has been an adjunct instructor at Triton College since 2005. She specializes in studio photography and is currently pursuing her M.A. in Photography at Governors State University. Working in the mediums of photography and painting, her art focuses primarily on portraiture where she explores the dynamics of subject as self and subject as object. A public reception is scheduled for 6
to 8 p.m. Feb. 18 in the gallery. Regular gallery hours are 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

Feb. 18
African-American History: From Empires in Africa to Black Life Today, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Room B-140
Take an educational journey with Triton College’s My Roots Club as they travel through African-American history – from the empires in Africa to Black life today. Special guest will include the founder of “History Makers,” an online tool that celebrates the advancements of African-Americans. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For more information, contact Shakana Kirksey at skirksey@students.triton.edu.

Feb. 23
African-American Mobile Museum, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., outside the B Building
Get on the bus! The Black History 101 Mobile Museum is rolling through Triton College, bringing with it an innovative exhibit that depicts Black history spanning from slavery to Hip Hop. The museum has more than 5,000 rare treasures among its collection, including original documents from historic Black figures whose contributions have helped shape today’s United States, figures such as Booker T. Washington, Malcolm X, Alex Haley, Shirley Chisholm and many others. For more information about the museum, visit www.blackhistory101mobilemuseum.com. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For more information about the event, contact Maggie Duran at margaritaduran@triton.edu.

Feb. 26
Black Business Expo, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Student Center Cafeteria
Triton College’s Black Heritage Council will host a Black Business Expo to promote economic development through increased exposure for minority-owned businesses. Products and services will be showcased at the expo, which will also serve as a forum to educate, inspire and expose Triton students and the surrounding non-student community to cultural resources available in the area. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For more information, contact Jacqueline Evette Gordon at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3789.

Feb. 28
Stepper’s Set, 7 p.m. to Midnight, Student Center Cafeteria
Step the night away with the Black Heritage Council’s Ninth Annual Stepper’s Set. The Chicago-style dance event will have a DJ and a soul food buffet. Admission is $10 in advance and $15 at the door. Proceeds from the event will go toward developing cultural programming on Triton’s campus. This event is part of Triton College’s recognition of Black History Month. For tickets or more information, contact Freida Iverson at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3322.

Feb. 28 and March 1
Triton College Performing Arts Department presents “There’s An Ocean in Nebraska,” Cox Auditorium (Room J-108) of the Fine Arts Building (J Building)
The Triton College Performing Arts Department will perform “There’s An Ocean in Nebraska” by Chicago playwright and member of Chicago Dramatists Dana Lynn Formby. In the topsy-turvy world of “There’s an Ocean in Nebraska,” adventures are quickly threatening chaos. Seven-year-old Queenie is on the run after stealing her new best friend Gus, the talking blowfish, from a pet store. Struggling actor Peter is desperate to perform, while his mother haunts him with guilt. Samantha is trying to pull together her
family spinning out of control. And at the center of it all is Grace, a woman trying to find her way back home. By turns hallucinatory, hilarious, and deeply moving, this exciting new work takes audiences on an unexpected journey to the possibility of healing. “There’s an Ocean in Nebraska” is the third annual production of Triton College’s Emerging Voices Project and will be presented as a semi-staged workshop production. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28 and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 1. General admission is $12. Admission is $10 for Triton students, faculty/staff and senior citizens. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

March 5
**Job Club Meeting: Dress for Success,** 1 to 2 p.m., Room B-130B of the Student Center
Triton College’s Career Services Center will have their next monthly Job Club Meeting on the topic of dressing for success. Northwestern Mutual will be the guest presenter. The club, open to community members, hosts informational sessions, while providing guidance and support to job seekers. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3619, or email richwilliams@triton.edu.

March 6
**Triton College Community Orchestra,** 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
The Triton College Community Orchestra (TCCO) concert will, for its first-time ever, feature a performance by the winner of the Inaugural Triton College High School Concerto Competition, as well as faculty soloists performing concertos with the TCCO. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

March 23 through April 17
**Robo Redux,** Fine Arts Gallery, Room J-107 (J Building)
Last year’s robotics collaboration was fun, eclectic, and battery powered. So many new ideas emerged during the show and reception that we are inviting the robots and their creators back for a new and improve collaboration. Come see how much fun can be had when student meets machine. A public reception is scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m. April 15 in the gallery. Regular gallery hours are 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

March 25
**Triton College Faculty Artist Series,** 7 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
Triton College jazz faculty member James Davis performs a diverse program of jazz standards as well as a selection of contemporary pieces, including his own arrangements and compositions for trumpet. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506 or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

April 11
**Triton College Jazz Spectacular,** 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
The always wildly successful Jazz Spectacular returns for the 2014-2015 concert season, featuring a brand new Chicago-based guest artist and jazz ensemble, as well as members of the Triton jazz faculty, Triton jazz students and local high school students. A free jazz clinic, led by the guest artist, will be held at 4 p.m. on the afternoon of the concert at the Performing Arts Center. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

April 12
*“La Voix Humaine” by Francis Poulenc,* 2 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
Join Triton College’s music and theater faculty for a rare opportunity to hear Triton faculty member Ingrid Israel Mikolajczyk perform Frances Oulenc’s one-act opera “La Voix Humaine,” based on the play of the same name by Jean Cocteau. Theater faculty member Amy Fenton will direct and stage the opera. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

April 14
**Job Club Meeting: Prepare for the Job Fair**, 1 to 2 p.m., Room B-130B of the Student Center
Triton College’s Career Services Center will have their next monthly Job Club Meeting on the topic of how to prepare for Triton College’s Job Fair. The meeting will include how to dress appropriately, resume building and more to impress employers at Triton’s annual Job Fair on May 7. The club, open to community members, hosts informational sessions, while providing guidance and support to job seekers. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3619, or email richwilliams@triton.edu.

April 24 through May 12
**Spring Student Art Show**, Fine Arts Gallery, Room J-107 (J Building)
Help Triton College’s Art Gallery close out the academic year with a great show from its student artists. Drawings, paintings, sculpture, video presentations, photographs, a variety sure to delight the eye. Join in the celebration of students’ accomplishments! A public reception is scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m. May 12 in the gallery. Regular gallery hours are 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

April 24
**Triton College Concert Choir**, 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
In celebration of the arrival of spring, the Triton College Concert Choir will perform a program inspired by the theme of renewal. Guest artists will join the ensemble for several exciting collaborations in the program. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

May 1-3 and 7-10
**Triton College Performing Arts Department presents “Lend Me a Tenor,”** Cox Auditorium (Room J-108) of the Fine Arts Building (J Building)
The Triton College Performing Arts Department will perform “Lend Me a Tenor” by Ken Ludwig. “Lend Me a Tenor” is a comedy with some singing that takes place in September of 1934. Saunders, the general manager of the Cleveland Grand Opera Company, is primed to welcome the world famous Tito Morelli, Il Stupendo, the greatest tenor of his generation, to appear for one night only as Otello. Through a hilarious series of mishaps, the star is drugged, the theater manager panics, identities are switched and eventually two Otellos are running around in costume and two women are running around in lingerie! Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. General admission is $12. Admission is $10 for Triton students, faculty/staff and senior citizens. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

May 8
**Triton College Concert Band**, 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
The Triton College Community Band will perform an exciting array of fanfares, marches and contemporary band music in this spring program to highlight the eclectic diversity of the 20th- and 21st-century band repertoire. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.
May 12
**Job Club Meeting: Beyond the Online Job Search**, 1 to 2 p.m., Room B-130B of the Student Center
Triton College’s Career Services Center will have their next monthly Job Club Meeting on the topic of available resources outside of doing an online job search, such as staffing firms, volunteering and networking. The club, open to community members, hosts informational sessions, while providing guidance and support to job seekers. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3619, or email richwilliams@triton.edu.

May 14
**Triton College Spring Jazz Ensemble Concert**, 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center in the Robert M. Collins Center
As the final jazz concert of the 2014-2015 season, the Triton College Jazz Ensemble returns to the Performing Arts Center to perform a concert featuring the music of contemporary jazz legends. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/VPC.

**CERNAN EARTH AND SPACE CENTER EVENTS:**

Through Feb. 1
**Public Shows**, Cernan Earth and Space Center, Triton College
The Cernan Earth and Space Center brings an array of new and favorite shows to inform and entertain families on astronomy at the planetarium. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. (except Jan. 31 for the Monthly Skywatch) and 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sundays. Show admission ranges from $8 to $10 for adults and $4 to $5 for children and senior citizens. For a schedule of shows, visit www.triton.edu/cernan. (708) 583-3100 or (708) 456-0300, ext. 3372.

Jan. 31
**Monthly Skywatch**, 7:30 p.m., Cernan Earth and Space Center, Triton College
Tour the nighttime sky during Cernan Earth and Space Center’s Monthly Skywatch program. The evening includes a presentation on the latest news from NASA in the space center’s dome theater and outdoor skygazing with telescopes. Admission for the indoor planetarium portion of the Monthly Skywatch is $8 for adults and $4 for children ages 2 to 12 and senior citizens ages 55 and older. The outdoor telescope session is free. (708) 456-0300, ext. 3372 or (708) 583-3100, www.triton.edu/cernan.

Feb. 6 through March 1
**Public Shows**, Cernan Earth and Space Center, Triton College, 2000 Fifth Ave., River Grove
The Cernan Earth and Space Center brings an array of new and favorite shows to inform and entertain families on astronomy at the planetarium. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. (except March 7 and 28 for the Monthly Skywatch) and 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sundays. Show admission ranges from $8 to $10 for adults and $4 to $5 for children and senior citizens. For a schedule of shows, visit www.triton.edu/cernan. (708) 583-3100 or (708) 456-0300, ext. 3372.

March 7
**Monthly Skywatch**, 7:30 p.m., Cernan Earth and Space Center, Triton College
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March 28

**Monthly Skywatch**, 7:30 p.m., Cernan Earth and Space Center, Triton College

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### ABOUT TRITON COLLEGE

Triton College is one of the nation’s premier two-year institutions of higher education dedicated to student success. Located 14 miles from downtown Chicago, in River Grove, the school offers close to 100 degree and certificate programs at its 100-acre campus that features a comfortable, friendly and diverse atmosphere. More than 12,000 students enroll at Triton each year to take advantage of Triton’s small, accessible classes, qualified faculty, affordability and financial assistance. Triton College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission; member, North Central Association. [www.triton.edu](http://www.triton.edu)