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SUSLA PREPARES FUTURE LEADERS FOR UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP AT THE EMERGING LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



Chancellor Ellis has chosen as a personal goal to provide faculty and staff an opportunity to build their leadership and managerial acumen. This program seeks to develop and impart leadership philosophies that will further expose SUSLA faculty and staff to national leadership principles and best practices that will ultimately help shape the future leadership of the SUSLA. As a three-day professional development program, the intent is to set the leadership direction of SUSLA, cultivate leadership talent, and empower a high-performing, innovative leadership team. The ELI offers various growth opportunities through interaction with multiple resources such as leadership books, skills enhancement tools, face-to-face engagements, and individual assessments and coaching sessions.

This three-day seminar, developed in alignment with American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) 21st leadership competencies, beginning September 18th and will conclude in October 2020, is designed for mid-level managers and supervisors looking to enhance management skills as well as for those faculty and staff, who seek to advance into a leadership role in higher education. The leadership program will provide participants the opportunity to engage in dialogue with an experienced community college leader, Dr. Christine McPhail, President Emeritus of Cypress College, and Full Professor of Higher Education Leadership at Morgan State University. Please note that this professional development is designed for non-executive or instructional leaders at the Program Coordinator level or above. After the institute, a certificate ceremony will be held.

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VETERANS UPWARD BOUND

PRESENTS

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

WEDNESDAY, NOV 11TH | 3-5 PM

MAIN CAMPUS FRONT PARKING LOT

To-Go Lunches will be provided to all Veterans.
Faculty/Staff & Students are welcome.

SPECIAL GUEST

Brittney A. Greene, Chief of Domestic Violence District Attorney
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To RSVP, please contact:

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HOMEcoming 2020 ARTIST REUNION SPOTLIGHT SUSLA ALUMNI



Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) in partnership with the Shreveport Regional Arts Council and Grambling State University presented the inaugural Homecoming 2020 Artists Reunion to celebrate the renown excellence and rich legacy of the Performing and Visual Arts Departments of both Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Supported by funding from the National Endowment for the Arts, the SUSLA & GSU Homecoming 2020 Artists Reunion featured artist residencies, masterclasses, visual arts exhibition, and virtual performance showcase September 7-October 26, 2020.

The visual arts exhibition and virtual performance showcase debuted October 23-24, 2020 in Downtown Shreveport at artspace and the Central Arts Station respectively. Over 100 attendees participated in the Homecoming 2020 Artists Reunion weekend festivities.

SUSLA was honored to have a host of alumni, faculty, and staff represent the Jaguar Nation in this landmark project including-- Alumni: Eric Francis (Visual Artist Resident, Exhibition Curator), Brenda Wimberly (Featured Masterclass Series Presenter, Virtual Showcase Artist), Henry Price, Daphne Coleman, Terry Coleman, Woodrow Evans, Raymond Love, Wendell Wilson (Featured Exhibition Artists); Faculty: Dr. Lonnie McCray (Management Team), Dr. Sharron Herron-Williams (Management Team), Roshanda Spears (Performing Artist Resident, Virtual Showcase Director), Fred Moss IV (Documentarian), Dr. Sharon Green (Masterclass Presenter, Visual Artist Showcase, Featured Exhibition Artist), Sonya Hester (Masterclass Presenter, Virtual Showcase Artist), Edward Allen (Featured Exhibition Artist); Staff: Angelique Feaster Evans (Management Team), Janice Sneed (Management Team).

For more information about the Homecoming 2020 Artists Reunion or to view the recorded artists residencies and masterclasses visit: www.hbcuartistshomecoming.com.

#ComeBeSouthern

SUSLA GETS OUT THE 2020 VOTE

DON'T FORGET TO EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT



VOTE TOMORROW

SUSLA continues the long tradition of servicing as the voting poll for residents of Precinct 1. In a race for the White House and other key seats in the Senate and House of Representatives, most voters agree that no election could have greater impact on the direction of the country over the next four years. The voting hours were from 6 AM-8 PM in the Alphonse Jackson Jr. Hall.

SUSLA CELEBRATES BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



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Southern University at Shreveport presents



Pretty
PINK
WEDNESDAY

OCTOBER 21, 2020 | 11 AM- 1 PM

In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness, we will honor faculty and staff members who are breast cancer survivors. **WEAR YOUR PINK.**

SUSLA PARK (ACROSS FROM THE GYM)

MUSIC, GAMES & MORE | WEAR YOUR MASK | FREE T-SHIRTS

first come, first serve basis

HOSTED BY THE ROYAL COURT



Jenifer Pickens
Miss Sophomore



Raylon Scott
Miss SUSLA



Lamaya Bailey
Miss Freshman



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MS KICK TEAMS UP WITH SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER CONVENTION & TOURIST BUREAU IN COOKING DEMO



The MS KICK team participated in a national bid by The Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau (SBCTB) to attract the Society of American Travel Writers (SATW) Convention to be held in Shreveport in 2021. The Cooking Demo took place during the Central States Chapter Virtual Professional Development Meeting.

SATW is a professional organization comprised of the travel industry's most experienced journalists, photographers, editors, broadcast/video/film producers, bloggers, website owners, public relations experts and hospitality industry representatives from the United States, Canada, and beyond.

Founded in 1955, SATW has more than 1,000 members. Their members are content creators that contribute to some of the most influential print, digital and broadcast platforms. Their members are also travel and hospitality brands and the public relations agencies that represent them. SATW is the premier networking organization bringing all those professions together. Their mission is to inspire travel through responsible journalism.

The segment was hosted by Brandy Evans, Vice President of Communications for SBCTB and Jada Durden, Durden Media Group. The topic of discussion was "Show Me the Money: How Tourism Boards and Content Creators Can Monetize a Partnership and Leverage Resources. Monique Armand, Culinary Training Director for MS KICK, closed out the segment with a cooking demo. She was able to show over 100 viewers how to prepare Chicken Sausage and Seafood Gumbo from starting with the Roux to the final Gumbo product. Armand explained to Evans how she started cooking Gumbo. "My mom and aunt went to Hawaii for Christmas, so I was given the honor of cooking the Holiday meal in their absence." Armand's Gumbo was voted top 3 Gumbo's in NWLA in 2018 and was a very popular dish at her former restaurant, Sassi Café.

Evans is hoping that NWLA will be able to host the SATW in 2021 and continue to leverage the partnership with MS KICK with opportunities for these writers to come experience good food at our great facility and with our talented tenants. For more information about the MS KICK program please contact our office at 318-670-9780 or visit www.mskick.org.

OPPORTUNITY STARTS HERE.

SUSLA TAPPED TO HOST THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER



U.S. Small Business
Administration



LOUISIANA
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) was selected by the Louisiana Small Business Development Center (LSBDC) to be a full-service small business development center to serve the Northwest Louisiana region. The Louisiana Small Business Development Center offers high-quality technical assistance to existing and start-up small businesses and to small business entrepreneurs in Louisiana at no cost to the client. The Small Business Development Center Network is the largest provider of management and technical assistance for small businesses in the United States, and the LSBDC is a member of that network.

The LSBDC is funded in part through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration, Louisiana Economic Development, and participating institutions of higher education. The LSBDC was established in 1983 and is located strategically to service all 64 parishes in Louisiana. With seven regional centers throughout the state, the LSBDC offers an array of specialized consulting services including growth acceleration, international trade, government contracting, and emergency preparedness.

Southern University at Shreveport implemented its micro-enterprise business incubation program in January 2004. The SUSLA Business and Entrepreneur Center as it is currently named and housed in Shreveport, provides an environment in which an entrepreneur with an idea to launch a new business venture, can learn effective business practices, while actually engaging in business operations.

The SUSLA SBDC will serve Caddo, Bossier, Webster, DeSoto, Bienville, Claiborne, and Red River Parishes. The services that will be provided are consulting, workshops and seminars, and business information and resources.

For more information, contact the recently appointed Louisiana Small Business Development Center Director, Darrin Dixon at 318-670-9701 or ddixon@susla.edu.

SUSLA'S WELCOME CENTER COMING INTO VIEW



The Welcome Center located in the L.C. Barnes Administration Building offers one-on-one help for all new and returning students. The goal is to authentically engage, welcome, and connect students with the tools and resources needed to empower them to achieve their goals. Our outreach efforts include support for high school students, out of state students, and transfer students from other colleges and universities. We facilitate a successful start to their first-year college experience. In order to help expedite the process for enrollment, admissions, and financial aid, the Welcome Center is equipped with innovative technology and self-help kiosks. Ambassadors also assist by providing prospective students with an authentic representation of the SUSLA experience. Ambassadors also assist by providing prospective students with authentic representation of the SUSLA experience. They greet guests and answer frequently asked questions (FAQ's) to reduce wait time or a need for an office visit. Due to the widespread nature of Coronavirus (COVID-19), the Welcome Center currently has limited on-campus activity. Students can still receive assistance by calling, or going online.



THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE IS REQUESTED
TO ATTEND THE CROWNING OF THE 53RD

MISS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT SHREVEPORT

Raylon La'Jai Scott

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW | *MASKS ARE REQUIRED*
RSVP TO LATARI FLEMING AT LFLEMING@SUSLA.EDU

THE RIVERVIEW THEATER
600 CLYDE FANT PKWY
SHREVEPORT, LA 71101

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 18, 2020
AT 7:00 PM





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