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News and Events for Wayne State Alumni

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Capital Campaign Kicks Off on May 24

Mark your calendar for the *Wayne First: The Campaign for Wayne State University* public launch on Tuesday, May 24.

The university's first comprehensive capital campaign will kick off with a campus celebration along Anthony Wayne Drive starting at 3 p.m., when schools and colleges will welcome alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends. The campaign announcement ceremony will begin at 4 p.m. on northbound Anthony Wayne Drive, near North and South residence halls.

Hundreds of alumni are expected to come to Wayne State to join the celebration.

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President Reid Discusses Influence of International Students

The April 10 edition of the [Detroit Free Press](#) included a guest column written by Wayne State President Irvin D. Reid about the economic and intellectual benefits that the U.S. realizes through the inclusion of international students on our college and university campuses, and the impact of the losses throughout the country as fewer

Date Book

Alumni Association Events

Women of Wayne Headliners Luncheon May 14

A Night at the Detroit Opera House May 20

Alumni Pancake Breakfast June 12

Theater Events

Henry IV, Part I
Hilberry Theatre
Through May 5

Misalliance
Hilberry Theatre
Through May 14

Art Events

Images of Time and Place:
Contemporary Views of Landscape
Elaine L. Jacob Gallery
Through May 13

Undergraduate Exhibition
Community Arts Gallery Through
May 13

international students travel to the United States for their education.

To read the editorial about this important issue for Wayne State and to the broader public the university serves, [click here](#).

Alumni Association Hosts Dinner and a Night at the Opera

An evening of fine dining and opera awaits you in downtown Detroit on May 20.

Begin with a three-course gourmet dinner at the Detroit Athletic Club, then walk across the street to the Detroit Opera House for a champagne reception and main-floor seating for the performance of *Margaret Garner*, whose libretto was written by Nobel Prize-winning author Toni Morrison. The new American opera is based on the true story of fugitive slave Margaret Garner and the tragic decision she made to save her children and grant them freedom.

Dinner begins at 6 p.m., with the champagne reception starting at 7:30 p.m. The performance is at 8 p.m. Cost is \$140 for alumni association members and \$145 for non-members. To register online, [click here](#), or call (313) 577-2300.

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Visit the Pancake Breakfast and Detroit Festival of Arts

Join the [alumni association](#) under a huge canopy on Ferry Mall for the annual Pancake Breakfast on June 12. Afterwards, spend time at the Detroit Festival of Arts, a showcase of arts and entertainment through the University Cultural Center.

The pancake breakfast features all the pancakes you can eat, plus sausage links, fresh fruit, juice and coffee. Live music and entertainment highlight this event, which has become a family tradition among alumni and friends. The event runs 10 a.m.-noon.

The 19th annual [Detroit Festival of Arts](#) runs June 10-12 and features music, dance, theater and public art, as well as the smells and tastes of an eclectic mix of foods from local restaurants. To be a volunteer, visit the festival's [volunteer Web page](#).

To sign up for the pancake breakfast, visit [alumni.wayne.edu/events](#), or call (313) 577-2300.

Office of Government Affairs Seeks Alumni Involvement

The university's [Office of Government Affairs](#) is looking for alumni interested in

participating in its Lansing Advocacy Program.

Wayne State has a great story to tell, and alumni can help tell it -- especially as higher education and the university face numerous challenges in Lansing.

Alumni interested in the program should complete the following questions and e-mail their responses to govcomaffairs@wayne.edu. The e-mail should include a name, address, telephone and e-mail address; the degree and granting school or college; year of graduation; occupation; and whether the alum attended Wayne State on a part-time basis.

Also, alumni should indicate their desired participation level: writing a letter, e-mailing, calling or meeting with a legislator.

For more information, contact Joye Clark in the Office of Government Affairs at (313) 577-4111 or joye.clark@wayne.edu.

Preview: Fall 2005 Alumni Special Events

Save the date for several [alumni special events](#) planned for this fall. A mix of old and new events include:

- Homecoming activities, including the annual breakfast, on Oct. 15.
- Annual wine tasting at Morel's Bistro on Nov. 17.
- Annual holiday brunch on Dec. 10.

For more information, visit www.alumni.wayne.edu/events or call (313) 577-0300.

Motor City Makeover Hits Midtown

Wayne State is partnering with the [University Cultural Center Association](#) to host Motor City Makeover in Midtown III on May 7.

The citywide clean-up initiative, which runs 9 a.m.-noon, is looking for volunteers from the Wayne State community to join local residents, businesses, churches and cultural institutions. Volunteers will meet in the Wayne State Welcome Center to obtain work assignments, clean-up tools and have an after-work lunch. T-shirts also are available for volunteers.

Last year, more than 200 volunteers -- including more than 150 affiliated with Wayne State -- participated in various clean-up activities and collected 185 bags of trash.

To volunteer, call (313) 577-6204 or e-mail Najia Elkins at ad0330@wayne.edu.

Join or Renew your Alumni Association Membership

It's a great time to be an alumni association member!

Join or renew your membership to the [Wayne State University Alumni Association](#) and take advantage of group discounts, travel opportunities, member-only communications and more. For a membership application, [click here](#) or call (313) 577-2300.

Here's a look at the many benefits of being an alumni association member:

- Free subscription to the award-winning [Wayne State magazine](#).
- Waived application fees when you, your spouse or dependents apply to Wayne State (except for applications to the Law School or School of Medicine).
- Discounts up to 50 percent off at businesses throughout Midtown and downtown Detroit by showing your alumni association OneCard.
- Discounts with The Henry Ford, the Renaissance Center Marriott hotel, Courtyard by Marriott, Choice hotels, Shanty Creek, Garland and Bird Creek golf clubs, and many others.
- Insurance at group rates with companies such as Liberty Mutual and other life, auto and medical insurance plans.
- Waived initiation fees to the Skyline and Renaissance clubs.
- Reduced membership to Wayne State's recreation and fitness center, and free use of the Matthaei Athletics Complex during recreation hours.
- Discounts to the Bonstelle, Hilberry and other university venues, as well as 30 percent discount on books published by the Wayne State University Press.
- Placement services with the University Career Planning and Placement Services office on campus.
- Special alumni association OneCard with access to a variety of campus services, such as the libraries, parking and bookstore.
- Opportunities to travel at group rates with the alumni association.
- Member-price admission for events featured in the alumni association's [special events newsletter](#).
- Much, much more!

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