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CAMPUS NEWS



Jonathan Vogler '14: Emmy Award-winning documentary producer

Since graduating from the creative writing program in 2014, he's made a name for himself as Hollywood documentary director and producer. One of his most recent productions – a project featuring the 2008 USA Men's Olympic Team – even garnered him and his creative partners a 2023 Sports Emmy. [read more]



Columbus State, UGA partner to share 2024 economic forecast

The business deans from Columbus State and the University of Georgia hosted more than 200 local business leaders for an analysis of Georgia's 2024 economic outlook. [read more]



Yates named dean of Columbus State's College of Education & Health Professions

Columbus State has named Dr. Margie Yates as the new dean of its College of Education & Health Professions. Yates has served in the role on an interim basis since July 2022 following the retirement of the college's previous dean, Dr. Deirdre Greer. [read more]



Strong state board exam pass rate signals strengths of Columbus State nursing program

In 2023, Columbus State's Bachelor of Science in Nursing graduates posted their highest National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) pass rate in recent years. The School of Nursing's pass rate for 2023 was 96.67% on students' initial testing attempt. [read more]

Check out news.columbusstate.edu for other news from around Columbus State University.

UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

February 1

Thursday, Feb. 1 | First Thursday
5 p.m. | Jarfly

Join the CSU Alumni Association for First Thursday at Jarfly! These casual networking events bring together local alumni and university representatives. Attendees will enjoy appetizers and your first drink is on us. [register online]

February 13

Tuesday, Feb. 13 | Alumni & Friends Travel Interest Meeting
4:30 p.m. | Cunningham Center

Ever wanted to travel to the beautiful French Riviera or the exotic islands in Greece? Come learn about upcoming CSU Alumni Association trips for 2025! The Alumni Association's group travel is open to all. [register online]

February 20

Tuesday, Feb. 20 | Dare to Dialogue: Building Community
6:00 p.m. | Virtual Event

Join the Black Alumni Council and fellow alumni panelists as we share meaningful conversations that strengthens the bonds within our community through health and wealth. [register online]

February 29

Thursday, Feb. 29 | Get to Know the Goetchius House
6:00 p.m. | The Goetchius House

Join the Young Alumni Council as we learn the history about the newly renovated and restored Goetchius House through a moderated conversations with the owners Renata Martoni and Mathew Lapides. Drink and light appetizers will be served. . [register online]

Check out the Events tab on the Alumni Association website for other future events.

ATHLETICS NEWS



Baseball and Softball season tickets on sale

The Columbus State University Department of Athletics announced that the baseball and softball season tickets are now on sale for the 2024 season through HomeTown Ticketing. [read more]

OTHER CSU COUGAR HEADLINES

Softball ranked No. 23 in NFCA DII Top 25 Coaches Poll

Baseball Ranked Second in PBC Preseason Coaches Poll, Wylie and Burton Named All-Conference

Check out csucougars.com for other headlines from all of our 13 CSU NCAA Division II men's and women's teams.

ALUMNI NEWS



Victoria Dugger ’16, winner of this year’s Southern Prize for Visual Arts, will return for an artist talk

Fine Arts alumna Victoria Dugger ’16 is among the artists whose work is featured in this spring’s South Arts’ traveling exhibition, available for viewing at the Bo Bartlett Center from Feb. 1 through April 12. As the winner of this year’s Southern Prize for Visual Arts and an advocate for minority and disabled artists, Dugger will speak at the center’s March 7 artist talk beginning at 6 p.m. [read more]

CLASS NOTES



Ernie Merritt '91
was appointed as the Central Region vice president for Coca-Cola Bottling Company UNITED Inc.



Eder Rivera '18
was selected by the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra to serve as a fellow.



Giorgia Vitale '18 & '20
has been named the director of racquets & engagement at Green Island Country Club of Columbus, Georgia.

Received a promotion? Won an award? Had a baby? Got married? Simply need to update your contact information? Let us know! Share your updates with us at alumni.columbusstate.edu/classnotes.

MAKING AN IMPACT

As we step into the promise of a new year, we invite you to be a vital part of our journey by making a heartfelt contribution to the CSU Fund.

Your generous gift will fuel our initiatives, empower positive change, and ensure a year of shared success. Together, let's make a lasting impact in 2024. Please consider donating to the CSU Fund today!

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