

MEMORANDUM

TO: FIU Faculty and Staff
FROM: Mark B. Rosenberg, President
DATE: October 5, 2010
SUBJECT: Faculty to Receive Awards at Convocation

I am pleased to announce this year's faculty who will receive an award at Faculty Convocation. I hope you will join me in congratulating our colleagues and celebrating their achievements with them at this week's Faculty Convocation on Thursday, October 7th at 3:00pm in the Wertheim Performing Arts Center. All faculty are invited to wear academic regalia and join the processional. Faculty members participating in the processional should arrive at 2:00 pm in room 157.

Remember...kicking off the events will be our third annual Faculty Convocation Concert on Wednesday, which is performed courtesy of the FIU School of Music faculty and student ensembles. This year's concert theme is: "Vive La France!" (*for a sneak preview, [click here](#)*). A reception at the Frost Art Museum will immediately follow with a special exhibit from John Bailly, "Cinquante Fifty"

See you then!

Faculty Convocation 2010 Awardees

President's Council Outstanding Faculty Award Finalists:

(in alpha order, winner to be announced at the ceremony):

- Arvind Agarwal (Department of Mechanical and Materials Engineering)
- Kalai Mathee (Department of Molecular Microbiology and Infectious Diseases)
- Wendy Silverman (Department of Psychology)

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching:

- John Bailly (Honors College)
- Sabri Tosunoglu (Department of Mechanical & Materials Engineering)
- James R. Webb (Department of Physics/Astronomy)

Faculty Award for Excellence in Research:

- Kemal Gekic (School of Music, Piano & Performing and Recording)
- Wenzhi Li (Department of Physics)
- Steve Oberbauer (Department of Biological Sciences)
- Lester A. Standiford (Department of English)

Faculty Award for Excellence in Engagement:

- Erik Camayd-Freixas (Department of Modern Languages)

Faculty Award for Excellence in Service:

- Mahadev Bhat (Department of Earth & Environment and Economics)

Faculty Award for Excellence in Graduate Mentorship:

- Arvind Agarwal (Department of Mechanical & Materials Engineering)
- Tonette Rocco (Department of Educational Leadership & Professional Studies)

Faculty Award for Excellence in Librarianship:

- Lauren Christos (Department of Reference & Instruction, BBC Library)

Adjunct Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching:

- Hector Huerta (Department of Occupational Therapy)
- Margie K. La Belle (Department of Hospitality and Tourism)
- Hilarion “Lari” Martinez (Department of Politics and International Relations)