

Arkansas Governor's School 2016 Activities Schedule

Week 2: Monday, June 20 - Sunday, June 26

Required events are starred (*).

<u>Mon. June 20</u>					
11:50 AM	AGS ELIMINATION BEGINS Sign-ups for AST: <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> and <i>West Side Story</i>	SLTC Sun Porch	6:10 PM	Writing Wednesday	Mills 307
4:00 PM	Slip n Slide Kickball	VZ Beach	6:30 PM	Arkansas Shakespeare Theatre: <i>Romeo & Juliet</i>	Meet at Altus Bell
4:10 PM	Lyon College Bagpipers	Reves Auditorium		Group 1 at 6:30PM	
4:10 PM	Richard Gobble: "Magic Bullets, Grassy Knolls, and Smoking Guns"	Mills A		Group 2 at 6:50PM	
4:10 PM	Madison Sewell: "Going for the Gold: Should Universities Pay College Athletes?"	Mills B	7:30 PM	Classic Movie Wednesday	Worsham
6:00 PM	Ultimate Frisbee	WAC Field	<u>Thurs. June 23</u>		
6:10 PM	Chad Terrell: "From Awful to Sublime: Transformative Humor in MST3K"	Mills B	7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham
6:10 PM	Jim Rush: "The Mindfulness Experience"	Mills A	*10:30 AM	Maxine Maxwell "Echoes of the Past"	Staples
7:30 PM	Spades Tournament	Worsham	12:00 PM	Drama students eat lunch with Ms. Maxwell	Bates Room in Caf
			*1:00 PM	Area II/III C Group	
			1:00 PM	Art Swap	AGS Office
			4:00 PM	Chess	Burrow
			4:10 PM	Lacey Thacker: "Chickens in the Yard"	Mills B
<u>Tues. June 21</u>			4:10 PM	Nick Brasovan: "Karate Basics"	Worsham
11:50 AM	Sign-ups for Open Mic Night	SLTC Sun Porch	4:10 PM	Figure Drawing Group	Worsham
7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham	*7:30 PM	<i>The Truman Show</i> (Discussion to Follow)	Staples
12:00 PM	Dejeuner Français	Bates Room in Caf	<u>Fri. June 24</u>		
*1:00 PM	Jason Wiles: "Science, Evidence, and Belief"	Staples	7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham
4:00 PM	Pickleball	WAC Rec Gym	4:00 PM	Soccer	WAC Field
4:00 PM	Learning to Latin Dance!	Worsham	4:10 PM	Lyle Rupert: "Pipe Organ Extravaganza!"	Greene Chapel
4:10 PM	Daniel De Togni: "Avant Rock Bands and Commercial Success"	Mills B	4:10 PM	Gerry Gipson: "Drones: Rules, Regulations, and Flight Prep"	Mills C
4:10 PM	Phillip Spivey: "The Art of Celebration: A Tour of the Jewish Holidays"	Mills A	6:10 PM	Brian Hunt: "Reading Cinematic Texts"	Mills C
6:00 PM	Student Activities Committee Meeting	Back of SLTC	6:10 PM	Adam Stanley: Choir Geek Out!	Mills B
6:10 PM	Debbie Hibbs: "The Robots are Coming! Part II"	Mills A	7:30 PM	Open Mic Night 1	Worsham
6:10 PM	Adam Stanley: "Survey of Early Music"	Mills B	<u>Sat. June 25</u>		
6:10 PM	Get to Know Your RA's	Burrow	*1:00 PM	Arkansas Shakespeare Theatre: <i>Twelfth Night</i>	Staples
*7:30 PM	Natural State Brass Band	Staples	3:00 PM	Basketball Open Gym	WAC Rec Gym
			4:00 PM	Board Games	Burrow
<u>Wed. June 22</u>			6:00 PM	Kickball	WAC Field
7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham	8:00 PM	Mr. and Miss AGS	Worsham
4:00 PM	Knitting for Noggins	Burrow	<u>Sun. June 26</u>		
4:00 PM	Page Turners	Burrow	1:00 PM	Knockout	WAC Rec Courts
4:10 PM	Rick Dimond: "B-Flat Blues Jam!"	Staples Stage	6:00 PM	Volleyball	WAC Rec Gym
6:00 PM	Wiffleball	Bailey Library Lawn	6:45 PM	Arkansas Shakespeare Theatre: <i>West Side Story</i>	Meet at Altus Bell
6:10 PM	Dave Thomas: "From the Ozarks to Outer Space: Caves as Models for Extraterrestrial Habitats"	Mills A	7:30 PM	Pajama Day Event	Worsham
6:10 PM	<i>Welcome to Night Vale</i>	Mills B			

Slip n Slide Kickball

A new twist on a classic game! Come cool off at the Veasey Beach in front of the Bailey Library. Wear a bathing suit because you WILL get wet!

Lyon College Bagpipers

Acclaimed bagpipers and leaders of the Lyon College Pipe Band will demonstrate bagpipe techniques and then play traditional pieces like "Scotland the Brave" and "Cock of the North."

Magic Bullets, Grassy Knolls, and Smoking Guns

A critical analysis of the Warren Commission and the subsequent investigation into the death of JFK.

Going for the Gold: Should Universities Pay College Athletes?

Every year, the University of Alabama fills its 100,000 seat football stadium to capacity. The same can be said about Rupp Arena, home of the Kentucky Wildcats' basketball team. Millions of fans religiously tune in to watch college football in the fall and March Madness in the spring. The coaches and universities profit millions of dollars from these events every year, but what do the athletes get? This talk examines the issues of exploitation, quality of education, and the psychology of the collegiate athlete when deciding whether or not they need monetary compensation.

Ultimate Frisbee

It's called "Ultimate" for a reason. The Spartans played Ultimate Frisbee. Fact. Come out to the turf fields for the most intense experience you've ever had with a Frisbee!

From Awful to Sublime: Transformative Humor in MST3K

We will talk about what constitutes "riffing" and the wider cultural phenomenon of MST3K. It traces back to the peanut gallery and we will talk about the history of interactive ridicule. Finally, we will view some clips and shorts in order to riff ourselves.

The Mindfulness Experience

Introduction to stress management based upon mindfulness meditation to manage stress emotionally and physically.

Spades Tournament

Find a partner or come as a free agent to compete in the most competitive card game at AGS! Be there or be square.

Yoga (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)

A class for all levels of yoga students, including beginners, who want to explore a variety of yoga postures and breathing techniques; instructions are given to modify postures for more advanced levels of practice -- a great way to get moving in the morning! Bring a yoga mat or towel to stand on; we have a few extra mats, but not enough for everyone.

Dejeuner Français

Pop in to speak French during lunch. All levels welcome!

Science, Evidence, and Belief

Jason Wiles is a native Arkansan and AGS alumnus. He earned his first degree in biology (with a minor in Bible) at Harding University and holds graduate degrees in biology, geology, and science education. A biology professor at Syracuse University, Dr. Wiles is interested in why people often reject scientific information in favor of their prior beliefs. As someone who has personally navigated some of this difficult intellectual terrain, particularly around evolution, his research now focuses on how people may, or may not, change their minds on scientific issues. He will take us through his own story, and you'll get to give your opinions on several issues. Bring your cell phone or other web-enabled device (this time only!) and get ready to play.

Pickleball

Do you like playing tennis? Come to the WAC Rec Gym to play pickleball in the A/C! It's like if ping pong and tennis had a baby!

Learning to Latin Dance!

Bring your dancing shoes to this beginner level class to learn how to Latin dance (salsa, bachata, merengue, and more!), no experience required! Final performance in student talent show.

Avant Rock Bands and Commercial Success

Daniel De Togni will be discussing why certain avant rock bands with highly conceptual music have attained a high level of commercial success, including factors such as geography, the slow burn effect, and low meets high ideology, among others.

The Art of Celebration: A Tour of the Jewish Holidays

Judaism is a 4,000 year old religion, and one of the first monotheistic faith traditions. Come learn about the major and minor Jewish holidays observed by Jewish people all over the world.

Student Activities Committee Meeting

Bring your ideas for what YOU want to see happen at AGS 2016.

The Robots Are Coming! Part II

Okay, so Moore's Law and the expanding role of bots in the workplace may fundamentally change society. Just how disruptive will these new technologies be? What will be advantages and the challenges? Explore these questions and the idea that "a fundamental restructuring of society may be required if prosperity is to continue." (Martin Ford, Rise of the Robots)

Survey of Early Music

Students will listen, discuss, and observe scores and works from prolific composers from the Medieval and Renaissance eras in music.

Get to Know Your RA's

A series of talks where members of the Area IV staff discuss their college experiences and career paths. This week's speakers are: Heather Forsythe, 2016 UCA Graduate and first-year Biochemistry PhD student at Oregon State University; Aspen Madrid, 2016 Hendrix graduate and Psychology major; and Joshua Knight, senior History major at Hendrix.

Natural State Brass Band

In existence since 2003, the Natural State Brass Band is composed of 30 central Arkansas musicians, most of whom do not have professional careers in music. The Band has performed all across the state of Arkansas as well as regionally. In 2010, it held a performance tour in England. It was named the North American Brass Band Association Champion in 2009. You are sure to enjoy this annual performance at AGS.

Knitting for Noggins

Help make a difference in the lives of the patients and families of Arkansas Children's Hospital. Knit or crochet hats for children of all ages. No advanced skill necessary! Patterns, needles, hooks, and yarn provided, but feel free to bring your own! You can also drop by and pick up materials, work on a project on your own time, and drop finished hats off to Marissa's desk in the AGS Office anytime!

Page Turners

Come curl up with a book and friends in the Burrow. We'll have different, fun, weekly readings with interesting discussions led by staff and faculty. Bring your own ideas for reading material as well.

B-Flat Blues Jam!

Jam session on B-Flat Blues! We'll learn a few classic blues tunes by Quincy Jones, Sonny Rollins, and Charlie Parker and talk about chord changes, melodies, and improvisation strategies. Expertise NOT REQUIRED! All instrumentalists, vocalists, and observers are welcome!

Wiffleball

Ready for wicked curve balls and hard home runs? See ya at the WAC Gym for a twist on America's Favorite Pastime!

From the Ozarks to Outer Space: Caves as Models for Extraterrestrial Habitats

Dr. Dave Thomas of Lyon College studies microorganisms that survive under conditions similar to those on Mars. Martian caves have been photographed by orbiting probes, and Ozark caves contain bacteria that might also survive in Martian caves. This chain of reasoning led to cave research that has been ongoing for more than eight years.

Welcome to Night Vale

"Welcome to Night Vale" is a bimonthly podcast presented as a community radio show for the fictional town of Night Vale, a small desert community where supernatural events, cosmic horrors, and shadowy conspiracies are standard (and often humorous) features of daily life. Join Chris Weaver to listen to and discuss two episodes of the show.

Writing Wednesday

Want to write the next great American Novel? Or maybe become the next Walt Whitman? Join Candrice, Jessica, and John for our weekly writing club, where we will stretch our writing muscles, learn new techniques, and get creative!

AST: Romeo and Juliet

Shakespeare's celebrated romantic tragedy comes to the stage this summer with the world's most beloved pair of star-crossed lovers. Performed onstage in an intimate setting, AST's production invites you to embrace the intensity of the fledgling lovers, feel the tension between the feuding families, and experience the power of this breathtaking story in a beautiful Italian Renaissance setting. Fast-paced, furious, and full of fencing, Romeo and Juliet is a passionate ride through the agonies and elations of young love.

Classic Movie Wednesday

They'll never go out of style! Every Wednesday we'll be screening a different classic movie in Worsham. They're oldies, but they're goodies! Discussion to follow.

Echoes Of The Past

Echoes of the Past weaves in and out of history to explore the lives of five African and African American women of remarkable strength and courage. Spotlights are the vital turning points in the lives of courageous and extraordinary women that include Sojourner Truth, Ida B. Wells, Elizabeth Eckford and Winnie Mandela. This dramatic performance takes a look at what it has been like to be Black and female over a time span of 150 years. These dramatic portrayals are an inspiring testament to the indomitability of the human spirit; sure to linger in the hearts and minds of all who see it.

Art Swap

Come by Marissa's desk and pick up an index card to participate in Art Swap. Each participant will design and decorate one side of their card with any medium you may choose (be creative!), write your name and mailbox number on the back, and return the card to Marissa by next Wednesday, June 29. Marissa will distribute the cards randomly to the mailboxes of everyone who participates, so that everyone who turns in a card will receive a piece of artwork to keep by one of their classmates.

Chess

Bring a friend and bring a board if you have one for a friendly game of chess!

Chickens in the Yard

Come learn about backyard chickens – the good, the bad, and the ugly.

Karate Basics

Are you the next Karate Kid? Join Nick Brasovan in Worsham every week to learn the basics of Karate!

Figure Drawing Group

There will be three sessions of informal figure drawing instruction and practice designed for non-art students, faculty, and staff. We will work from direct observation of a draped model.

The Truman Show

Directed by Peter Weir. Unknown to himself, insurance salesman Truman Burbank (Jim Carrey) has been the subject of the world's longest-running television program since he was born. As Truman grows restless and unhappy with his life, he also begins to discover that his life, family, and friends are fabrications and seeks to learn the truth about who he really is. Music by Philip Glass (Koyaanisqatsi).

Soccer

The WORLD'S favorite pastime. We will play a full game of 11 vs. 11, or multiple games if we have enough people. Cleats not necessary—passion required. We'll be waiting for you behind the WAC!

Pipe Organ Extravaganza!

Come hear a little Bach, Handel, and Pachelbel on the Chapel organ. This program will be short enough to stay interesting but long enough to show the organ's versatility.

Drones: Rules, Regulations, and Flight Prep

Gerry Gipson will lead a discussion of the rules and safety regulations for drone flight, introduction to flight instruction, and basic understanding of the DJI-GO flight application. If you are interested in participating in the Drone flight activity, you MUST attend this 4:10 seminar before you are allowed to participate.

Reading Cinematic Texts

Students will see various examples of film analysis through blockbusters and indie film.

Choir Geek Out!

Students will explore, read, and sing through prolific composers from the 20th/21st centuries.

Open Mic Night

Share your writing, music, stand-up comedy, or random thoughts in a comfortable setting. The material must be appropriate—if you are curious about the appropriateness of your material, please see Marissa in the AGS office ahead of time. Sign-ups will be at the event; first come, first served.

AST: *Twelfth Night*

Come one, come all! Inspired by carnivals of yesteryear, our actors will arrive ready to dazzle and delight the audience with the tale of twins Viola and Sebastian, separated by a storm at sea. The shipwrecked siblings discover new places, meet new people, and explore new possibilities as they try to find their way back to one another. Feste is our ringleader, a magician who brings the play to life by enlisting the talents of his gifted and colorful troop of entertainers in this fast-paced, funny, and family-friendly production. With a performance that includes sword-fighting, dancing, and singing (and maybe a few audience members!), *Twelfth Night* has a little something spectacular for everyone. So, hurry, hurry, step right up!

Basketball Open Gym

Join us in the WAC for some hoops and fun competition!

Board Games

Some games never die. Bring your friends and come show your love for the old classics in the Burrow.

Kickball

Come to the WAC fields to kick, run, and turn left! We'll be playing a giant game of kickball that will never be forgotten.

Mr. and Miss AGS

It's time for your RA's to strut their stuff! Dress your RA's in cute or crazy outfits and prepare them to compete in the Mr. & Miss AGS 2016 pageant! Get started at 6:30 in your dorm lobby and walk over to Worsham around 8PM.

Knockout

Fast-paced hoops are calling your name! Come to the WAC to ball with the best of them.

Volleyball

We've set the nets up and are ready for sets, slams, spikes, and serves! Come out and enjoy some fast-paced action!

AST: *West Side Story*

A perfect pair with Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, this classic musical takes the star-crossed lovers to the streets of 1950s New York, translating the warring Montague and Capulet families into street gangs, the Sharks and the Jets, and adding some of the most magnificent music ever performed on a Broadway stage. Composer Leonard Bernstein captures the eloquent emotion of Shakespeare's words in his incredible score, and creative and witty lyrics written by a young Stephen Sondheim bring the lovers into the 20th century. With a sweeping score, soaring melodies, dynamic dancing, and heartbreaking, humanity this production is not to be missed! Attendance is limited. Sign up for the selection lottery on Monday at lunch in the Sun Porch. If your name is on the final roster, you are required to attend on Sunday.

Pajama Day Event

Make use of this excuse to rock your jammies all day long, then come to Worsham to relax and enjoy a movie! Pillows and blankets are welcomed and encouraged!