I have just returned from two great events. “Changed Forever,” the play written, produced, directed and performed by our faculty and students, is based on the aftermath of the Murrah Federal Building bombing in Oklahoma City. It is very powerful. Hayley Thompson has been the driving force behind this production and enlisted the talents of our performing students from Theatre, Dance and Music Theatre as well as the Oklahoma Center for Arts Education. With significant cooperation from the Oklahoma National Memorial & Museum, the performance features photographs, interviews, letters, poetry and quotations from the OKC National Memorial & Museum archives. It is a moving and important contribution to all of our lives. I hope you will take the opportunity to see the production.

On a much lighter note, each year I attend a conference sponsored by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). This year’s conference was about the role of the dean in fundraising. Lori Alspaugh and Gayle Kearns attended the conference as well. You will be proud to know that our development office is right on track. The advice given by the leading experts in development and relationships with donors not only provided new information about the process of helping donors achieve goals through giving, but also reinforced what Lori and her group are doing and how they work with others. It was a very impressive conference that will lead to more opportunities for our donors to realize their dreams through helping others in our college.

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The semester is in full swing: events are happening, students are engaged in the semester and we have a new college name—College of Fine Arts and Design. Our outstanding faculty and our students continue to be in the spotlight across the campus and throughout the metropolitan area. We have had three faculty artist concerts at the Jazz Lab—great job to “The 5th Street Jazz Collective,” Dr. Roxane LaCombe, Scott Johnson and Natalie Syring.

We are beginning to enjoy our spring productions with “Changed Forever” premiering on Thursday, February 18-21 in Pegasus! Congratulations to Hayley Thompson and the students for this memorable tribute to the victims of the Murrah tragedy on April 19, 1995—15 years ago.

We have also enjoyed the works of faculty artists David Maxwell and Barbara Broadwell with their student mentees in a fantastic art exhibit in the Nigh Center.

Stay tuned for many more events this semester!
Also, remember if you are traveling, you must get your paperwork turned into your chairperson with everything required attached at least two weeks in advance. We will not be able to approve travel if it is less than two weeks. Academic Affairs has the same deadline—we must adhere to it! This means: no travel requests, no funds! With budgets getting leaner, remember that we will probably not have extra funds for your travel needs. Also, the faculty development funds are running low and the graduate college is out of funds to assist faculty with travel. Finally, if you are going to be off-campus, please remember to complete your permission to be away from assigned duties if it is for professional activities and your leave form if it is for personal activities. And remember, we are only one month away from Spring Break!

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Development has all scholarship packets updated and printed. Hard copies were delivered to each area’s administrative assistant and are available on the homepage of our website. Please help us remind students that the deadline for the Foundation’s scholarships is Feb. 15th and the deadline for CFAD scholarships is Feb. 22nd. Thank you all for your help in this process.

We are happy to report that so far, donations are neck and neck with where we were last year at this time. We are very fortunate to have retained donors through this economy. Donations since July 1, 2009 total more than $200,000.

We have several events coming up: scholarship concerts are being held on March 26th for the Tamara Long Scholarship and March 31st “Valery and Friends” will have a concert benefiting piano scholarships. We are also hosting a “High Tea” on March 30th that will benefit all department scholarships.

Please let us know if you have any questions about the scholarship process or any of the events.

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Susan has been busy with new releases for various newspapers and magazines promoting the Diane Schuur concert, “Pippin,” “Changed Forever” and Youth Arts Day. She has also been working with reporters from Channel 9 and Telemundo on coverage for “Changed Forever.” She is also promoting our interior design program in the Symphony Showhouse tour book.

She and Alysha are currently working on advertising in Metro Family Magazine for all of the OCAE summer camps as well as the spring ad for Oklahoma Music.
Shalena has been lost in the world of the web. We are currently projecting the new website will be ready to launch (on our end) by the beginning of March! She has been busy loading content and copy and will be very happy when the site is up and running smoothly.

**Mitchell Hall Theater**  
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The theater ended the month of February with performances of the Miss Black UCO Pageant, Broadway Tonight’s Children’s Series performances of Jim Gamble’s “Wonderful World of Puppets.” Performances in March will feature the musical: “Pippin,” the UCO Symphony Orchestra and the UCO Choral Ensembles. The Kaleidoscope Dancer’s Spring Concert follows Spring Break.

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Congratulations to our theatre, dance and music students along with Greg White, Tina Kambour and Hayley Thompson for the terrific work they have put together in “Changed Forever.”

Upcoming events:
Art High School Day – Saturday, February 27th  
Interior Design Workshops – Open to all ages – Saturday, March 6th and 27th  
Youth Arts Day at the State Capitol – Tuesday, March 2nd from 9 am to 11 am  
“Changed Forever” in Tulsa – Sunday, March 28th at 7:30 pm – Tulsa Performing Arts Center

Go to www.ocae.net for more information on upcoming events!

**Galleries and Collections**  
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“**POINTS OF DEPARTURE**”  
Currently open through March 12, 2010; Donna Nigh Gallery, 4th Floor, NUC-Showcasing the work of David Maxwell, Instructor and Ariana Riera, Student Barbara Broadwell, Instructor and Abi Hopkins, Student.

“**SPRING DESIGN EXHIBIT**”  
4-6 p.m., Thursday, February 25, 2010; Donna Nigh Gallery Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor, NUC; Exhibit will continue through April 4.

“**Reflections…Honoring Former and Retired Art Faculty**”  
4-6 p.m., Thursday, April 8, 2010; Donna Nigh Gallery, 4th Floor, NUC; Exhibit will continue through May 30.
**Area Updates**

**UCO Jazz Lab**  
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On February 19th, the award-winning Dixieland Group “The Civilized Tribe” will play at the UCU Jazz Lab at 8pm. Ticket price is $10. For reservations call 359-7989 ext 273.

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CFAD OET is completing the state required Master Inventory List in cooperation with UCO Inventory Control and the Oklahoma State Financial Office. The process will come to a close at the end of this month. This process is in place to ensure that assets and computer technology are being utilized and maintained in accordance with state law.

OET is in the process of obtaining quotes for a new RAID array for the CAMDSRV2 server. The RAID array for CAMDSRV is filling up and beginning to show its age. When the new RAID is installed, some shares currently housed on CAMDSRV will be transferred to CAMDSRV2. Shares affected will primarily be those used by the Dean’s office and some departmental shares. Users will be notified as these plans progress.

Dr. Robert Glaubitz (Music) presented at the 6th Annual New Voice Educators Symposium in Bloomington, IN at Indiana University’s Jacobs School of Music Feb. 12 & 13.

Dr. Karl Nelson & Dr. Darla Eshelman (Music) are both attending the 2010 Southwestern Division American Choral Directors Association Conference in Denver, CO Feb. 24-27.

David Maxwell (ART) attended the Dallas Art Fair in Dallas, TX Feb. 5-7 (the purpose of his trip was for visual research).

**February**

UCO Student Jazz Combo Concert  
7 p.m., Feb. 22, UCO Jazz Lab

Chamber Orchestra  
7:30 p.m., Feb. 23, UCO Jazz Lab, FREE

Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band Concert  
3 p.m., Feb. 28, First Presbyterian Church of Edmond
March

“Pippin”
7:30 p.m., March 4-6 & 2 p.m., March 7
UCO Mitchell Hall Theater

UCO Student Jazz Ensemble Concert
7 p.m., March 8, UCO Jazz Lab

Symphony Orchestra
7:30 p.m., March 9, UCO Mitchell Hall Theater

UCO Choral Ensemble
7:30 p.m., March 11, UCO Mitchell Hall Theater

UCO Kaleidoscope Dancers in Concert
7:30 p.m., March 25-27, UCO Mitchell Hall Theater