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Musicologist discusses African music in Cuban culture

NICOLE MONTERO
Contributing Writer

Music is everywhere. We listen to it in the car, at home, on our way to class and even when it’s time to relax. Have you ever stopped to think about where that music’s rhythm comes from?

The Cuban Research Institute and the African and African Diaspora Studies are working together to bring Eurydice Losada, a Cuban musicologist, to the University. Losada has a bachelor’s degree in musicology from the Instituto Superior de Arte in Cuba. Her work on music has received multiple awards and she has lectured throughout Europe and the Americas.

The lecture will focus mainly on African musical thought in Cuba.

“The issue of African contribution to Cuban culture, in general, is something that should be of interest to students in different departments, like in art, music, religion, anthropology and sociology,” said Jorge Duany, director for the Cuban Research Institute and a researcher on Cuban, Dominican, and Puerto Rican migrations.

The lecture will be touching up on the fact that music is born in every country according to the elements of its culture.

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Losada will present the results of a historical research project, designed to identify the structural and organizational components of African thought. She will also focus on the rhythmic schemes that have been incorporated into the musical language of the American continent.

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“It’s well-known that there is a strong component in Afro-Cuban music which comes from Africa. The question of what that component is will be what this lecture will focus on,” Duany said.

Nursing professors’ research gains national attention

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Joanne Youngblut, Ph.D., and Dorothy Brome, Ph.D. – nursing professors at the Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing & Sciences – published an article detailing their 5-year research study in the scientific magazine “Pediatrics.” The study focused on the impact that the death of a child has on the health of the parents.

“Parents would even cope by staying healthy in order to keep their unborn baby healthy. Some parents would even cope by what to say, so they don’t say anything. Because of this lack of support, I wasn’t surprised at the amount of depression and post-traumatic stress that we found at all. I was surprised, however, at the physical effects that we found. These were young parents in their 20s and 30s, and after the death of their child, this more than doubled the amount of chronic conditions they had. Fifty-six of the mothers reported 98 hospitalizations in a year. That’s phenomenal. Some mothers were pregnant when their child died, and struggled to stay healthy in order to keep their unborn baby healthy. Some parents would even cope by

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The Cuban Research Institute promotes interdisciplinary research and teaching, as well as public events related to Cuba. They work with departments to coordinate course offerings on Cuba and Cuban-Americans.

The institute also offers an undergraduate certificate program with over 70 different courses and over 45 faculty members that are affiliated with the institute. The CRI prides itself in doing everything possible to promote the creation of knowledge and the dissemination of information about Cuba.

“As a Cuban-American, this lecture seems very interesting to me,” said Melissa Buzzi, a freshman majoring in nursing.

“I would really like to see how Losada will make the correlation between Cuba’s culture and African music.”

The lecture will be taking place on Oct. 29 at Modesto A. Maidique Campus in Deuxieme Maison, room 353 at 12 p.m. It is free and open to the public. The lecture will be in Spanish.

“Now, we see things in the African culture that we didn’t see in the 20th century. We are seeing various phenomena that have to do with the renewal of musical language. So, basically, the culture of the place is what establishes the language and all the musical elements. That’s why this is important to us,” Losada said.
WORLD NEWS

UN sees mercury use phase-out within 3 decades

A new global treaty could eliminate within three decades the commercial use of mercury in everything from batteries, paints and skin-lightening creams to utility plants and small-scale gold mining, the head of the U.N.’s environment agency said. Achim Steiner, the executive director of the U.N. Environment Program, describes the Minamata Convention on Mercury as a major game-changer for a naturally occurring element that tends to accumulate in fish and work up the food chain. The agreement still needs ratification by dozens of countries and includes a concession to countries with small-scale gold mining.

Iraq: wave of car, suicide blasts kill at least 61

A barrage of car bomb and suicide bomb blasts in Baghdad and two northern Iraqi communities Thursday, killing at least 61 people during a major holiday period and extending a relentless wave of bloodshed ripping the country. The bulk of the blasts struck in mainly Shi’ite Muslim parts of the Iraqi capital shortly after nighttime, including ambulances racing through the streets with sirens blaring. Authorities reported nine car bomb explosions on Iraq’s largest Shiite neighborhood, including one near a playground that killed two children. It was the deadliest day in Iraq since Oct. 5, when a suicide bombing targeting pilgrims and other attacks left at least 75 dead.

UN elects 5 new security council members

Saudi Arabia and Chad easily won coveted seats on the U.N. Security Council Thursday, despite criticism from human rights groups that their rights records are abysmal. Nigeria, Lithuania and Chile also won seats. Five candidates endorsed by regional groups faced no opposition in any of the elections, but countries with small-scale gold mining, including South Africa, backed a resolution endorsed by regional groups that would ban mercury use in 2020. The five candidates can serve only one term, so they will be on the council until the end of 2016.

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Opinion

Don’t look for grown-ups in government

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With the government partially closed for over two weeks now and the debt-ceiling deadline upon us, the pundits are demanding that the “grown-ups in the room” finally put a stop to the childish goings-on in Washington. That would be nice—except there are no grown-ups in the room. If you seek evidence, just look around. Politicians, from President Barack Obama, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, and House Speaker John Boehner on down, operate at a level of irresponsibility that we don’t tolerate in children. It’s the nature of government.

Let’s start with the money politicians spend. Like children, they don’t have to earn it. It comes to them without effort. But unlike children, they have others take it by force through taxation. If you don’t believe me, tell the IRS “no, thank you” the next time it calls for donations. If they aren’t satisfied with the proceeds from taxation, politicians spend. Like children, they don’t have to earn it. It comes to them without effort. But unlike children, they have others take it by force through taxation. If you don’t believe me, tell the IRS “no, thank you” the next time it calls for donations.

Politicians fail to operate at a responsible adult level to the extent they believe society can be molded according to their whims. Politicians also fail to operate at a responsible adult level to the extent they believe society can be molded according to their whims. Societies aren’t made of sticks and clay. They are complex networks of interaction among individuals using their particular knowledge in pursuit of their personal goals. Social engineering is people manipulation backed by force, which requires a level of hubris that no mature person would possess. Yet politicians engage in it every day, free of responsibility for the consequences that come from disrupting people’s lives.

Some readers will want to contest my claim that politicians are essentially unaccountable. Don’t they face the voters regularly, and don’t they keep them on the straight and narrow? To see the answer, we must get beyond naive civics-book analysis. We’ve already seen how the obscure path from political cause to economic effect helps to shield politicians from accountability. But that isn’t all. Even though politicians’ decisions can cost people their jobs, their freedom, and, in the aggregate, billions of dollars—think of the housing and financial debacle, which resulted from bad political decisions—what’s the worst that can happen to the office holders responsible for a disaster? At most they might lose the next election. Oh the horror! On the other hand, incumbents have great advantages in elections and don’t often lose. Can you sue politicians for damages? Can you prosecute them for their theft? Of course not. So where is the real accountability? There is none.

The upshot is that politicians are more irresponsible than children—children don’t have credit cards. So if you’re looking for grown-ups, look anywhere but government.

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Alumni’s work garners national attention

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SPOKEN WORD POETRY | theasiaproject.com
As an aspiring novelist/astronaut/oil painter/brain surgeon, ASIA never thought spoken word poetry would be his calling. But as with everything else we encounter in life while dealing with the illusive astrological joke we’ve come to know as “destiny,” here Asia stands: a cancer survivor who has won audiences throughout the country with a spoken word show that has been nothing less than an honest and genuine testimony of his life. He is now touring with his brother-in-law Jollian who adds a dramatic guitar to make the poems come alive on stage.

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Football season at halfway point with expected record

RHSF WILLIAMS

No one, myself included, expected much out of the Panthers football team this season. They have exceeded that expectation, if not exceeded it, with only one win this season. That win, which came at the last second in a game saving play by defensive tackle Isame Faciane, against the Cardinals of UL which came at the last second in a game saving play by defensive tackle Isame Faciane, against the Cardinals of UL.

The Panthers lost key defensive players early on in the season as defensive end Paul Crawford – who was put on the Senior Bowl Watch List prior to the start of the season – was lost to a shoulder injury; corner back Richard Leonard was lost to academic issues. These players were thought to be two of the four projected leaders on the defense along with Faciane and defensive lineman Greg Hickman. Hickman was the other Panther selected for the Senior Bowl Watch List.

One aspect that needs to be improved is the special teams. If that will work for the remainder of the season has yet to be seen, but my thought is that finding a set starter for each position would be the best.

Both Sroka and Taylor have made half of their field goal attempts, with Taylor making two for two during his attempts. Medlock, Jake

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Panthers start swimming season off strong

The FIU women’s swimming and diving team looks for a successful season after a 175-102 win against Florida Atlantic University on Oct. 5.

RUBEN PALACIOS

Staff Writer

The women’s swimming and diving team got their season off to a great start with a 175-102 win against rival Florida Atlantic University on Oct. 5.

The win was the largest win by the Panthers over the Owls ever.

“I’m very pleased with the meet,” said head coach Randy Horner. “For our first meet of the season we competed very well.”

During the meet, the Panthers showed they had talent on both sides of the age spectrum. Senior Beaugre and freshman Lilly Kaufman each qualified for NCAA Zone diving.

Beaugre was the top scorer in the one-meter diving with a mark of 295.2 while Kaufman earned a score of 265.2. Beaugre also led the way in the three-meter dives with a 294.45 while Kaufman earned a 258.67.

“We had a good mix of freshmen and upperclassmen step up,” Horner said. “Both of our winning relays today had three freshmen on them.”

The Panthers dominated diving, in large part to Beaugre and Kaufman, but they also held their own in the swimming events. Senior Sonia Perez got it all started for the Panthers, winning three individual events on the day. Junior Johana Gustafsdottir also took home honors in the 200 Freestyle as she posted a mark of :45.59.

The Panthers are now preparing for a matchup against the University of North Florida on Oct. 19.

“We have many things we can do better,” Horner said. “Next we will be tested on our first road trip when we swim at UNF.”

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Freshman defender continues strong play

German native and freshman defender Marvin Hezel is used to being a main aspect of a team, as he was in Germany.

After getting their first conference win of the season on the No. 10 Southern Miss soccer team improved their overall record to 5-5-0, and 1-1-0 in conference play.

The 4-0 win over the Thundering Herd of Marshall University in FIU’s conference home opener marked the first Conference USA win in over two seasons for the Panthers. The win also marked head coach Ken Aranas’ first conference win at FIU.

Since the win over Marshall, FIU has fallen to an overall record of 5-7-0 and a conference record of 1-3-0, losing back-to-back games to conference opponents. The loss to New Mexico and UAB in the past week have been major set backs for FIU, as they were looking to use the momentum from their blowout win over Marshall in their two game conference road trip.

As the Panthers get ready to finish out their season with five straight Conference USA games, they hope to keep getting strong production from their young players who have made immediate impacts throughout the season.

The Thundering Herd win over the Thundering Herd, one young player who stood out was freshman Marvin Hezel. Hezel recorded three total points in the win over Marshall, scoring a goal and assisting on another. His goal came just a minute into the second half, giving FIU a 3-0 lead. It was just Hezel’s second goal of the season, and was the first from a player who does not find the net often playing center defensive back, but a goal none the less that would push FIU’s lead and secure their best win of the season.

“It was very important going into Sunday’s game against Marshall to be focused and get our first conference win before having to leave Miami for our next two conference games coming up,” Hezel said, and continued, “it was very important going into Sunday’s game against Marshall to be focused and get our first conference win before having to leave Miami for our next two conference games coming up!”

As a freshman coming over seas from Germany, Hezel has started all 12 games so far for the Panthers this season, as of Oct 17/13. Before coming to FIU, Hezel played soccer in Germany where he was born and raised. The freshman was born in Friedrichshagen, a city in the German state of Brandenburg, and the Swiss border. Hezel was exposed to a large background of soccer growing up and began playing “Fußball” at a very young age.

While in Germany, Hezel played his soccer at SC Freiburg, a club that has been apart of the German professional soccer league, the Bundesliga. Although Hezel never played for SC Freiburg’s first division team, he did make his way up the club’s development teams before moving to Miami and starting his collegiate career at FIU. Throughout Hezel’s time at SC Freiburg, he made appearances for the club’s U19, and second division team.

Hezel scored a total of 10 goals throughout his career with SC Freiburg, appearing in over 50 games for the German club. His favorite memory playing in Germany was when he played the German cup final with his club, scoring the winning goal for his team in front of 3,000 people.

“Scoring that goal was the best moment of my life,” Hezel said. “The game was on television and it was feeling unbelievable and I will never forget. I am working hard everyday with this FIU team to be able to accomplish something like that with them.”

For many players coming over seas, the transition from the European style of soccer to the American style of soccer can be difficult. Hezel believes that for the most part this is true, but he has experienced it differently playing at FIU under Aranas.

“The style of play is very different in Germany. Here, the teams we play against love to play kickball and adjusting to that style was not easy,” Hezel said.

“Our team,” he added, “likes to play a more European style of soccer where we connect passes and touch the ball around as a team. I enjoy the way coach wants to play and it is the way I know and was taught in Germany.”

Being comfortable with coach Aranas’ system has shown so far this season as the freshman has started all 12 games for FIU scoring two goals, while also recording two assists, as of Oct 17/13. He is tied for the most goals by an FIU defender and also leads the team in assists for defenders.

As the season moves forward, Hezel believes that the young players on this FIU team can continue to make a big impact on their success in the five remaining C-USA games.

“We all work very hard and that is good for the team. Everyone knows that we have to fight for our spots because of all of the talent we have in every position. As long as we keep working hard, it will show on the field during games”, said the young German native.

For Hezel and the rest of the Panthers, they continue their season back in Miami on October 19th (5-3-1). The Panthers, who have a 2-1-1 record at home, will look to improve their conference record to 2-3-0 on the season. Including when they will take on the Monarchs of Old Dominion University.

MRSA: a silent danger lurking in NFL locker rooms

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At the first sign a potentially deadly strain of staph infection was coursing through the Washington Redskins’ locker room, owner Daniel Snyder told his trainer to spare no expense.

“So, Bobba Tyer embarked on an innovation that ran nearly $80,000,” Snyder said.

“A major, major project,” Tyer said, referring to the 2006 refurbishing of the team’s locker house.

“It was just something that had to be done,” he said.

As the recent cases of Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) infection in Tampa Bay have reminded players, owners and trainers across the league, the NFL has safety issues not only on the playing fields, but lurking in the corner of its locker room as well. Scapes and cuts can be cut in the worst of the hard hits and concussions, and have grabbed so many headlines of late.

In Washington, five players were afflicted with MRSA in 2006. The most notable case was that of defensive lineman Brandon Noble, who nearly lost his leg because of complications related to the infection.

“A tiny little thing that I cannot see. Noble called the infection in a blog on the Infectious Diseases Society of America website. “It has hurt me more than any of the others combined and had a hand in ending my career.”

By the time the infection had reached the Redskins, it wasn’t a complete mystery in the NFL.

The St. Louis Rams had endured a widespread outbreak three years earlier and used bleach to disinfect their entire facility.

In 2006, the NFL wanted a more high-tech approach.

Benches in the locker room were ripped out, replaced by thickly padded cushions in front of each player’s locker, so no infection could spread across the surfaces where the players sat.

A new ventilation system was installed to dry the sweat-drenched pads. Ultraviolet lights were put in to kill infection.

As the season moves forward, Hezel knows the importance of his role.

“My job is to remind players, not only about hygiene, but about education as well. I am constantly talking to the players not only about hygiene, but about education,” Hezel said.

In 2003, in St. Louis, the MRSA outbreak began, with players who had turf burns on their elbows, knees and forearms. They developed large infected skin abscesses that had to be surgically drained.

MRSA was found in team whirlpools and taping gel, and from nose swabs of 42 percent of the players and Rams staff.

“They’re often working out together, in close physical proximity, they often have skin abrasions and wounds, they often share towels, sometimes to wipe off their sweat, and some have a ‘lucky’ towel or jersey that they don’t wash, which may become contaminated with MRSA,” said Dr. Victoria Fraser, chair of the department of medicine at Washington University in St. Louis, who helped the CDC investigate the Rams’ outbreak.

In Cleveland, a number of staph infections, including MRSA, dogged the club throughout much of the last decade and led to two lawsuits against the team, contending the Browns failed to sanitize equipment. The Brown’s, who settled lawsuits filed by former receiver Joe Jurevicius and offensive lineman LeCharles Bentley, said their hygiene practices are state of the art.

At NFL physicians’ survey determined there were 33 MRSA infections across the league from 2006-08. Two occurred in San Francisco, where receiver Josh Morgan reportedly lost about 15 pounds at the start of the 2008 season.

This year in Tampa, guard Carl Nicks, kicker Lawrence Tyne and cornerback Johnathan Banks have been diagnosed with MRSA. After initially treating his infection with antibiotics, Nicks had a recurrence and needed surgery.

Tyne is on the non-football injury list. Banks has not been sidelined.

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Blowing the whistle, former professional NSA official speaks

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The American Whistleblower Tour is returning to the University this week for the third consecutive year.

With a focus on National Security leaks, this year’s event will be the first to discuss blowing the whistle on government activity.

It is extremely timely due to former National Security Agency contractor, Edward Snowden’s leaks of United States surveillance programs this past June. He is the seventh person charged under the Espionage Act by the Obama administration.

In July, Bradley Manning, a U.S. Army soldier, was convicted for espionage after releasing classified documents to WikiLeaks. He was sentenced to 35 years in confinement and was dishonorably discharged from the Army.

What this does is sort of turns the focus to government and government accountability and what transparency and government means to democracy,” said Frederick Blevens, professor of journalism and mass communications.

“So there’s a pretty big difference in this year's as opposed to last year and the year before.”

Speaking at the University will be Thomas Drake, a former NSA senior official who was prosecuted under the Espionage Act for retaining documents about a data collection program that threatened Americans’ privacy rights.

Drake was charged with 10 felony counts, including five counts of espionage.

He was the first to be prosecuted under the Espionage Act by the Obama administration. All charges were dropped after he agreed to a plea bargain arrangement in June of 2011.

“I’ve relived the last 12 years,” said Drake about the Snowden case. “I was reliving all that I had been through, reflecting on what had happened to me in terms of my own whistle blowing and clearly recognizing that he was standing on my shoulders.”

Society of Professional Journalists challenges students to give up free speech for pizza

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Food will come at a price—your right to speak—on Oct. 23 at the Society of Professional Journalists’ First Amendment Rights Event in Academic II’s courtyard.

The organizers will provide free food in exchange for students’ freedom of speech with the risk of having their pizza swiped away by a student cop if they speak.

Brittany Valdes, senior journalism major and president of the FIU chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, said the event is to educate students about free speech.

“This event is planned to bring students the idea of free speech and why it is so important,” Valdes said. “As long as we have freedom of speech, we have the right to express ourselves.”

This idea was created by Michael Kornetzky, director of SPJ’s region three.

Kornetzky presented the idea to the First Amendment Food Festival to the University’s SPJ in fall 2012 and how this type of event can encourage students to think more about the importance of free speech.

The event is open to the public.

“We are trying to promote free speech and the importance of it,” said Kornetzky.

Kornetzky said that the event is not only about having food, but also about educating students on the importance of free speech.

While Kornetzky is excited about the event, he said that the organizer is a little nervous because being an immigrant, coming from a different culture, and having lived in a different country, reminds students that freedom of speech is different from the United States.

“I think it’s important that students know that freedom of speech is different from the United States,” Valdes said. “Events like these remind the people that were born here and grew up here some times seem to forget the importance of the First Amendment.”

When asked about the importance of free speech, Allian Richards, associate professor and associate dean in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, said, “You wouldn’t be able to ask me this question if it wasn’t for freedom of speech.”

“The United States is a country of immigrants, they think about the economic benefits but not about their freedom of speech when they come here,” Richards said. “They don’t consider the power it has, but we all have to treat it as a privilege, not a right.”

Campus celebrates 12th diversity day, hopes to inspire

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It is that time of year again to celebrate the mix of cultures that make up Miami with the 12th annual Diversity Day hosted by Campus Life.

The event aims to bring people together to celebrate and embrace humanity by putting aside any preconceptions of gender, race, sexual orientation, religion, age, nationality or disability. Guest speakers will come to talk about a variety of topics based on their own experiences, two of the speakers focus on disabilities.

“These events help society to overcome social prejudices,” said Andres Bermoo, marketing coordinator for Campus Life. “Diversity Day is a tradition at FIU, particularly at this campus. We are trying to promote global issues and diversity by bringing speakers that have had global perspectives attachable to global problems.”

Bermoo said that by having guest speakers like Julie Flygare, who will educate people about narcolepsy, and Nancy Goodman, who will speak about emotional eating, will make this event one students will never forget.

Julie Flygare, who suffers from narcolepsy, explains that this is a neurological autoimmune sleep disorder in which the brain loses the ability to maintain normal sleep and wake states.

Flygare is a leading narcolepsy spokesperson, published author, blogger and rumor diagnosed with narcolepsy and cataplexy in 2007. She received her bachelor’s of arts degree from Brown University in 2005 and her juris doctor from Boston College Law School in 2009.

While Flygare is one victim of this neurological disorder, according to research narcolepsy affects one in every 2,000 Americans. Flygare said she is honored to come to the University this year to celebrate the Diversity Day.

“I’m so excited to visit FIU to speak for the Diversity Day [and] to share my experience living with narcolepsy, a serious disorder that is invisible and misunderstood in our culture,” Flygare said.

“For me, narcolepsy has been the worst and the best thing that has happened to me. I turned my adversity on its head and decided to speak up about it, writing a memoir and becoming a national spokesperson.”

Flygare said her goal is to inspire others who have experienced adversity. “I hope to change students’ perspectives by proving that courage is contagious.”

Nancy Goodman who suffered from emotional eating disorders, is now a coach in the field by helping people throughout her blogs, author of two books “Surprise Me” and “It Was Food Vs. Me And I Won.”

“My goal is that every person in the room, at some point says to themselves, ‘Oh my Gosh, she’s me,’” Goodman said.

“Goodman promises to not only help people who has eating disorders, but to help anyone who is dealing with an obsession on a daily basis.”

“It’s important that the students start talking more about these types of issues,” said Diann Newman, co-director of Diversity Day.

According to Newman, one of the major purposes of this type of event is to help people to overcome the sensation of being rejected because they feel that they don’t belong to society.

“All students belong here and it’s important for us with so much diversity on campus to get greater awareness about our differences in spirit of having included people rather than excluded,” Newman said.

Newman said that if people don’t feel welcome, if they feel stereotyped or there is prejudice against them, they might feel like they don’t belong.

“My hope in this event, is to build in opportunities where students start talking more with each other,” Newman said.

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Precious B. Reid, student reservation assistant of division of student affairs (left), helps Leah Santos, senior in hospitality and social work (right), in her fundraiser to help children in Nicaragua by buying some delicious baked goods.