

# CAMPUS DISTRICT Observer

BRINGING OUR DISTRICT TOGETHER, ONE PAGE AT A TIME.

## Students Ready to Dig In at Green Corps Central Learning Farm



(Left) Two views of the Green Corps Central Learning Farm in full bloom. (Right) Kaylynn Coffey and Daniel Fortson work in the Green Corps Central Learning Farm. Photos provided by Green Corps.

By Jesús Sánchez

With the fresh scent of spring in the air, planting will soon begin at Cleveland Botanical Garden's Green Corps Central Learning Farm.

Since 2006, Central neighborhood teens have rolled up their sleeves and put their work shoes on to grow an abundance of food just off of East 46th Street and Quincy Avenue.

These dedicated young people - 15 to 18 years old - undergo an intensive application and interview process to be one of 70 youth working 20 hours weekly at one of five Green Corps urban farms.

Cleveland Botanical Garden's Green Corps program engages high school students through the practice of sustainable urban agriculture in Cleveland neighborhoods. Green Corps students learn

life skills, including environmental and community stewardship and agricultural knowledge, while getting paid.

Vidorian Massingale is a 17-year-old student at Jane Addams high school. She started her first year as a Green Corps student employee in 2012.

What Vidorian enjoys most about Green Corps is the sense of community.

"It feels like I'm surrounded by family in the work environment," Vidorian said. "I've learned how to interact with people in a friendly manner.

"I've learned safety first, like always bring a water bottle to keep hydrated during the hot days, wear long pants, boots, and sunscreen or bug spray," she said.

"Always be prepared to work under any  
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## Berkman Sees Cleveland State, District in Natural Partnership



CSU President Dr. Ron Berkman, VP for Business Affairs Stephanie McHenry, Instructor Jim Kastelic and Professor Roby Simons speak to the CSU Masters in Urban Planning Capstone class about the catalytic impact that anchor institutions can have in revitalizing adjacent areas. President Berkman identified the Campus International School and the new STEM High School on the CSU campus as two critical neighborhood assets that can attract families with school aged children to live in the Campus District.

By Dr. Heather Ways

Dr. Ronald Berkman, President and Stephanie McHenry, VP of Business Affairs of Cleveland State University, recently met with students in UST 611, the Capstone Project for a Masters in Urban Planning, Design and Development (MUPDD) at the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs. Berkman came to discuss CSU's Master Plan and the Campus District.

The class works with a client on an area of the city in need of redevelopment. After research, the students develop a plan for improvements using what they have learned in previous coursework. This semester's client is the Cam-

"How does what we are doing impact the district?"

pus District, Inc., the community development corporation serving the area from the Shoreway to Orange Avenue, between East 18th and East 30th streets.

Dr. Berkman made several points about CSU's role in the community and the Campus District. Anchor institutions such as CSU, the Cleveland Clinic and University Hospitals are place-bound. They can serve to multiply economic dividends.

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## Three Teams to Compete for Innerbelt Contract



Construction of the new westbound I-90 Innerbelt Bridge - the first of the pair that will replace the aging span - continues at pace and it is expected to be open to traffic this fall. This rendering shows the completed pair of bridges. ODOT is currently in the hunt for a team to design, build and finance construction of the second span and demolish the existing bridge.

By Jocelynn Clemings

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) recently announced the final three teams who will compete for the estimated \$330 million contract to design, construct and finance the second I-90

eastbound Innerbelt Bridge and demolish the existing, aging span.

The following three teams of contractors and designers were selected: Kokosing Construction Company with Michael

Baker Jr., Inc.; Trumbull Corporation, The Great Lakes Construction Company, & The Ruhlin Company with URS Corporation; and Walsh Construction with HDR Engineering, Inc.

This marks the first time in Ohio's history that state transportation officials are pursuing what is known as a "P3," or public-private partnership. What is unique about this plan is that ODOT is asking qualified teams not only to build the bridge but to finance a portion of the construction costs as well. ODOT will then pay the borrowed money back over a fixed period of time. In 2011, Ohio became the 30th state in the nation to enact legislation permitting ODOT to pursue P3's.

Even after paying finance charges on the borrowed money, ODOT is expected to save millions of dollars in public tax money because the longer the agency waits, the more expensive construction costs become.

ODOT is in the midst of replacing the current bridge with two new bridges - one to carry westbound traffic, the other to carry eastbound traffic. When both bridges are completed, ODOT will

have invested nearly \$620 million in the city of Cleveland over a six-year period.

This marks the single largest investment in one project within one community in ODOT's history.

In November 2012, ODOT began advertising for "requests for qualifications" from potential design-build-finance (DBF) teams. The list of qualified respondents was narrowed to three, and those three teams will now prepare technical and financial proposals. ODOT will evaluate each proposal and the project will be awarded to the team which provides the best value based on consideration of the technical and financial proposal scores and the length of construction.

The preferred team is likely to be selected this summer. Construction of the second bridge is anticipated to begin as soon as the westbound bridge is finished this fall. Both bridges could be open to traffic as soon as 2016.

For more information on the Innerbelt Bridge project, visit [www.Innerbelt.org](http://www.Innerbelt.org).

**Jocelynn Clemings is a member of ODOT's communication's team.**

# From the Director of the Campus District



Dear Friends of the Campus District,

Last month I told you about the new interns, volunteers, loaned executive and urban planning students who are taking on new and important projects for the Campus District, Inc. (CDI). This month, I'd like to share with you some of the work that they are doing to help CDI as we plan better bike and pedestrian-friendly transportation links within the district; attract and support restaurant, retail, office and housing development; and re-engage and re-connect residents, business and institutional stakeholders around common interests and goals. Their work is pictured here.

The Board of Directors of the Campus District is getting ready to

update the Campus District Connections Plan, a vision for where we want to go in the future. It will include identifying the community's current needs and its next opportunities. As hockey superstar Wayne Gretzky said, "A good hockey player plays where the puck is. A great hockey player skates to where the puck is going to be." As we gear up for this planning work, we will be talking one-on-one to many of you through conversations, group discussions and surveys. If you have an idea to share about the neighborhoods of the Campus District, please email me at [BReichtell@campusdistrict.org](mailto:BReichtell@campusdistrict.org) or call me at 216-344-9200.

Warm Regards,  
Bobbi Reichtell

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The mission of the Campus District Observer is to attract, articulate and amplify civic intelligence and community goodwill in this community and beyond.

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Carol Malone is coordinating the Campus District Observer oral history project. She and Campus District Intern Nick Downer are scheduling and conducting interviews with current and past residents and involving Jane Addams High School students. If you are interested in being interviewed or have suggestions, please contact her at 216-344-9200 or by emailing her at [info@campusdistrict.org](mailto:info@campusdistrict.org).



(1) Students from the CSU Levin College's Masters in Urban Planning, Design and Development program capstone studio class at a recent tour of the Langston development on Chester Avenue. (2) Deputy Chief Tim Hennessy of the Cleveland Police Department recently gave a tour of the Payne Avenue Police Station to CSU Masters in Urban Planning students who are doing a study of potential redevelopment strategies for the building when it is vacated in about a year and a half. (3) Case Weatherhead Business School students Zuren Hsueh, Athena Zhi and Selma Husic meet at the Campus District office to review information and materials on the Campus District Observer. They are conducting a case study on the business model of the newspaper and will be interviewing stakeholders in the District to get input. (4) Bobbi Reichtell, Executive Director of the Campus District meets with CSU Masters in Urban Planning students Douglas Reibel, Matt Wymer, Cheng-Han Yu and Hannibal Smith on the study they are doing for the Campus District.

# Need Food Assistance? The Cleveland Foodbank Can Help!

By Lauren Thomas

The Cleveland Foodbank understands that times are tough and money is tight. In order to help Northeast Ohio families, the Foodbank has a full time staff of Benefit Counselors that can make the application process quick and easy for over 20 programs, including SNAP (food stamps), prescription benefits, child care vouchers, WIC, medical coverage, and other assistance programs. Application options are varied in order to accommodate your family's specific immediate needs. Any adult may apply. The Benefit Counselors will walk you through the process step-by-step. These programs are available for anyone that needs them. If an individual makes less than \$1,210 per month (gross), they may be eligible for assistance. The income limit (per month) for a family of four is \$2,498.

You can now apply for benefits over the phone, avoiding long lines at social service offices while removing the barrier of transportation. SNAP (Food Stamp Program) helps to lift millions of people out of poverty each year. If you need it, you deserve it! Let the Cleveland Foodbank help you determine your eligibility and connect you to benefits as well

as food pantries, hot meals and produce distributions in your area!

For application assistance and eligibility screening:

- Call and be screened and apply for assistance OVER THE PHONE: 216-738-2067 or Toll Free: 1-855-738-2067
- Visit the Cleveland Foodbank during walk-in hours Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Apply online at [www.OhioBenefits.org](http://www.OhioBenefits.org)

### About Cleveland Foodbank

The Cleveland Foodbank provides nutritious food to local nonprofit organizations that serve hungry individuals across northeast Ohio, 33 percent of whom are children. This year, the Foodbank distributed enough food for 33 million meals to 620 local food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and other agencies such as child-care centers and homes for the elderly in six counties including Cuyahoga, Ashland, Richland, Lake, Geauga, and Ashtabula. For more information, visit [www.clevelandfoodbank.org](http://www.clevelandfoodbank.org).

*Lauren Thomas is a representative of the Cleveland Food Bank.*

# Campus District Book Club Update

Mark your calendar for the next Campus District book club meeting! We are planning to meet on Tuesday, March 26 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Prosperity Social Club, located at 1109 Starkweather Avenue in Tremont. We will be discussing *My Name is Red* by Orhan Pamuk, a compelling story of the power of art set in six-

teenth-century Istanbul.

Past and new participants alike are invited to join! We welcome all who are interested in reading, partaking in discussion, and making new friends. To RSVP, call our office at 216-344-9200 or email Executive Director Bobbi Reichtell at [info@campusdistrict.org](mailto:info@campusdistrict.org). Please RSVP by March 25 - hope to see you there!

# Local, Fulfilling Volunteer Opportunity!



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Are you looking for a fun way to give back to your community? Do you have a passion for working with young people and want to help make a difference?

Girl Scout troop #75214, which meets weekly at the Sterling Library, is in need of a new leader. La Queta Worley, who has been the troop's dedicated leader for nearly ten years, has decided to retire from her Girl Scout career. She's hoping to find a replacement

leader who is willing to be a positive role model for our district's young girls.

Training is available for anyone interested - no prior experience is necessary! If you love learning, helping others and being a strong, positive influence (and Girl Scout cookies!), then this adventure is for you. Contact La Queta Worley for more information at 216-288-0055 or [keetaworley@gmail.com](mailto:keetaworley@gmail.com).

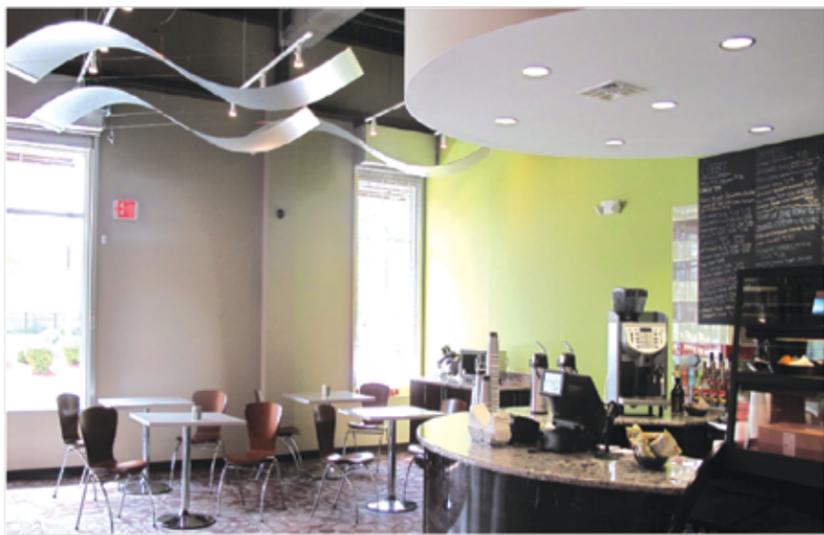
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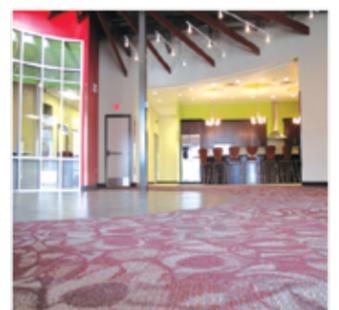


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## Homegrown Talent on Display at the Cleveland Print Room

By Shari Wilkins

Photography and the local food movement join forces for a special exhibit running from March 15 through April 28. The Cleveland Print Room (CPR) is showing off some of Cleveland's "homegrown" talent at the startup nonprofit's second photography exhibition.

CPR, a new community darkroom, education center and studio workspace, will host the HOMEGROWN exhibit in its gallery in the ArtCraft Building at 2550 Superior Avenue.

HOMEGROWN advances CPR's goal of highlighting the depth and breadth of photographic work within the fertile, artistic environment of Northeast Ohio, while collaborating with other community organizations, said exhibit curators Nancy McEntee and Jonathan Wayne.

McEntee is a professor of photography and chair of the film, video and photographic arts department at the Cleveland Institute of Art. Wayne is the associate professor and chair of the photography department at Tri-C.

With nearly two dozen local photographers represented, the selected work showcases the diverse "homegrown" talent in the area.

"Irrespective of the trendiness of the phrase 'locally produced,' we have always been this way — down to earth, working in our respective studios and producing art that comes from a place of substance," said McEntee.

Representative of a variety of photographic concepts and styles, the showing exemplifies CPR's interest in community outreach. Moreover, the exhibit will serve to educate and showcase Northeast Ohio's local food movement and community-supported agriculture.

"HOMEGROWN is a collaborative effort," said Shari Wilkins, the founder of CPR, "linking together wonderful

"We have always been this way — down to earth, working in our respective studios and producing art that comes from a place of substance."

food and photography at the same venue. It's a natural fit."

The gallery exhibition signals Cleveland Print Room's continuing steps toward its mission: serving the larger photographic community with a focus on handprocessed photography. They accomplish their mission by providing access to a community darkroom and collaborative workspace, a collection of historical photographs, and a combination of local and national exhibitions.

Located on the first floor of the ArtCraft Building within the Quadrangle Arts District in the St. Clair/Superior neighborhood, the 3,300 square-foot facility offers a place to process 20th century emulsion-based film and analog photography collectively with others who share a passion for the photographic arts.

To celebrate its highly anticipated opening and first gallery exhibit, the Superior Avenue gallery featured "Welcome to Hard Times," featuring large format pinhole camera photographs by Vaughn Wascovich.

For more information on Cleveland Print Room and membership, visit [www.clevelandprintroom.com](http://www.clevelandprintroom.com) or check out the CPR Facebook page. Owner Shari Wilkins can be reached at 216-401-5981 or [info@clevelandprintroom.com](mailto:info@clevelandprintroom.com).

*Shari Wilkins is owner and founder of the Cleveland Print Room.*

## Partnership

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Dr. Berkman asks the question, "How does what we are doing impact the district?" He sees the campus and neighborhood district as woven together. The most important neighborhood attributes for young families are safety and good schools. To that end, Dr. Berkman has championed the Campus International School, a Cleveland public magnet school that has been very successful.

Dr. Berkman also pointed out the need to build more constructive partnerships such as the International School, the Science, Technology, Engineering and Medicine (STEM) High School and the CSU arts gallery now located near Playhouse Square. Connecting the nodes physically as well as programmatic allows CSU to leverage its assets and have a bigger impact on the district. He also spoke of aligning CSU's work with the economic and workforce prerogatives of the city, particularly in medicine. One example is the new medical school where students of various health professions will learn side by side.

Dr. Robert Simons and James Kastic, the professors of UST 611, chose the client and negotiated the client's wish list for the project. This year's client, Bobbi Reichtell of the Campus District, Inc., expressed her interest in identifying additional housing demand, creating greenspace and a lakefront connection, the potential for a community entertainment district and the adaptive reuse of historic buildings — specifically the Third

District Police Station, Mather Hall and the Juvenile Court Building.

How does the class do its work? The class researches what is there now and what was there previously, identifying how the district has changed over time. Questions about the inhabitants, demographics, current businesses and the locations of vacant land are answered. Past plans for the area as well as the plans of other campus districts are reviewed. Experts familiar with planning and development in the city are invited to speak to the class and share their insights. Neighborhood stakeholders such as business owners and local civic leaders will be interviewed.

Then the real work begins. Using the results of their research, surveys, interviews and what they have learned in the MUPDD program, the class will develop a plan for the district that addresses housing, adaptive reuse of the above mentioned buildings, an entertainment district and greenspace. In the final week, students formally present their proposal to the client and stakeholders of the district and prepare a final document.

Having a vision for a district often stimulates creative design solutions for what is finally built, even if the entire plan is not yet realized.

The goal of creating a better Cleveland unites the class in its work.

*Dr. Heather Ways is a MUPDD student at CSU and has worked as a physician at Neighborhood Family Practice for 24 years.*

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# William Busta Gallery Celebrates Fifth Year in the District



(Left) The William Busta Gallery, 2011. (Middle) Jeff Chiplis with "The Great White Mountains and the Cold Cathode Plains," 2012. (Right) Chiplis' "W B G" from 1999. Photos by Dan Morgan.

By Dan Morgan

I met William Busta around the same time and in the same place Jeff Chiplis did: over 25 years ago on Murray Hill. Murray Hill's arts district was home to many art galleries, but none stood out more to me than the William Busta Gallery. I can recall one opening with so many hip, young, creative minds packed inside that they were spilling out onto the sidewalk. I had never seen anything like it! Derek Hess, a local contemporary artist, was showing inside the gallery that night. His work still shows occasionally at the Campus District William Busta Gallery. Hess' studio is also located in the Campus District on Superior Avenue. Busta hosted all the hottest local artists of the day, including Derek Hess, Don Harvey, Laurence Channing, Judson Wilcox, Anthony Van Rooy and more.

Busta has an exceptional eye for great art, and he's kept it focused on the local art scene. He has a real passion for

the art business but does not fit into any mold for the business of art.

"There are a lot of people who would open galleries if there was a fair possibility of making money," Busta wrote to me recently. "I've talked to a number of people who have worked out the finances and then decided there were other things that they'd rather do."

In other words, Busta is not "in it for the money." He loves what he does and follows his heart, which is clearly right here in Cleveland!

Busta has been around. Prior to graduating from Brecksville High School in 1969, he studied in Salzburg, Austria. After graduation, he studied at Saint Andrews University in Scotland during a summer program in 1971. The following year, he spent time in Finland at Turku University for another summer program. Busta has also worked in Minnesota and South Dakota, as well as at a few jobs in the

Cleveland area before opening the William Busta Gallery on Murray Hill in 1989.

In 2000, the William Busta Gallery commissioned Jeff Chiplis, a blossoming local neon artist, to create a custom sign, or as Chiplis puts it, "a place marker" for his gallery. The gallery had just moved from Murray Hill to the Detroit Shoreway neighborhood, way ahead of its time. The neon "W B G" followed Busta to his then private residence on Prospect Avenue, which is now the current location of the Busta Gallery.

Chiplis' neon work is a custom collection of recycled old neon, woven together by welded glass tubing and fastened with electrical wires and hand-made hardware. Jeff's outdoor installations somehow manage to withstand Cleveland's harshest weather. The Frankenstein-like creations that Chiplis makes have been seen all over the Greater Cleveland area, particularly in Trem-

ont, where Jeff has lived for over 25 years.

Chiplis has been on the board at SPACES Gallery since 1978. "I started going to shows there and helping out because I was new to Cleveland and wanted to be in touch with the art world. As long as it continues to be fun, I will continue to serve because it keeps me in touch with creative people. And they haven't asked me to leave, yet."

Cleveland is a much better place because William Busta and Jeffrey Chiplis are here to stay! You can be sure, no one will be asking them to leave.

Visit the Busta Gallery at 2731 Prospect Ave or online at <http://williambustagallery.com/>.

**Dan Morgan is a photographer with Straight Shooter Photography. For more about Straight Shooter Photography, visit [www.towerpressgroup.com](http://www.towerpressgroup.com). Find Dan Morgan at [www.About-DanMorgan.com](http://www.About-DanMorgan.com).**

## Farm

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weather condition."

Through a weekly farm stand, Green Corps' reach has started to extend far beyond our students to include neighborhood residents, senior centers, churches and in-home day care providers.

The Central Learning Farm, in partnership with Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority, sets up an on-site farm stand every Tuesday from June to October at 2511 East 46th Street. It is open to the public from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Here, customers can use their WIC produce vouchers, farmer's market nutrition coupons, senior farmer's market nutrition coupons and Ohio Direction Card cash to purchase the fresh food grown by the Green Corps youth themselves. All proceeds help to support the program.

For more information on the Green Corps program, how you can get involved or how the program can get

### GREEN CORPS FARM SITES:

**Central**, 2511 E. 46th Street

**Midtown** (Yellow House),  
1945 E. 66th Street

**Slavic Village**, 5406 Fleet Avenue

**Fairfax**, 2347 E. 79th Street

**Buckeye**, 11305 Woodland Avenue

involved with your community event or organization, please contact Green Corps Director Jesús Sánchez at 216.707.2821 or Central Learning Farm Site Manager at 216.645.8975.

Any student – age 15 to 18 – can obtain an application for Green Corps at their school or by contacting the Cleveland Botanical Garden (visit [www.cb garden.org](http://www.cb garden.org) for more info). The deadline to apply for the program is March 18th. We look forward to seeing you this growing season!

**Jesús Sánchez is the Green Corps Director for Cleveland Botanical Gardens.**

## Cleveland Public Library Celebrates New Lunar Year, Year of the Snake

By Cathy Poilpre

On Saturday, March 16, the Cleveland Public Library plans to celebrate Lunar New Year and the Year of the Snake. The downtown location, 325 Superior Avenue, is where the fun will happen from 2 to 4 p.m. This year's family entertainment will feature youth and adults performing a number of classic, celebratory dances. In addition, traditional Chinese musical performances by local academies will be highlighted in the Louis Stokes Auditorium located in the lower level of the Louis Stokes Wing.

A roving balloon twister will travel throughout the library, entertaining children and adults alike. Chinese calligraphy will be demonstrated in the lower level of the Louis Stokes Wing. While you're there, be sure to check out the live snake exhibit! Experts will be on hand to

demonstrate and answer questions.

Although most activities will take place in the Louis Stokes Wing, guests can participate in a library-wide treasure hunt focused on the Year of the Snake. Animal entertainer Jungle Bob will be in the Youth Services Department, located on the fourth floor of the Main Building, with various live reptiles to view.

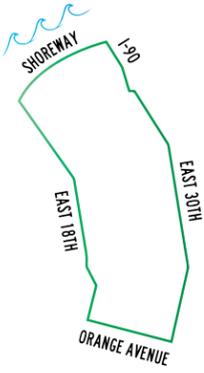
Traditional culinary fare can be sampled from the Siam Café. Other refreshments and a variety of Chinese treats will be available. This special Chinese celebration is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact the Foreign Literature Department at (216) 623-2895 • Email: [ForLit@cpl.org](mailto:ForLit@cpl.org) • [www.cpl.org](http://www.cpl.org)

**Cathy Poilpre handles marketing and communications for the Cleveland Public Library.**

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# What We Love in the District

Interviews by Donna Dieball. Photography by Alex Welch.



## 🌀 Vincent Maul

Campus District student and resident

**His favorite place in the district:** the Library at Cleveland State.

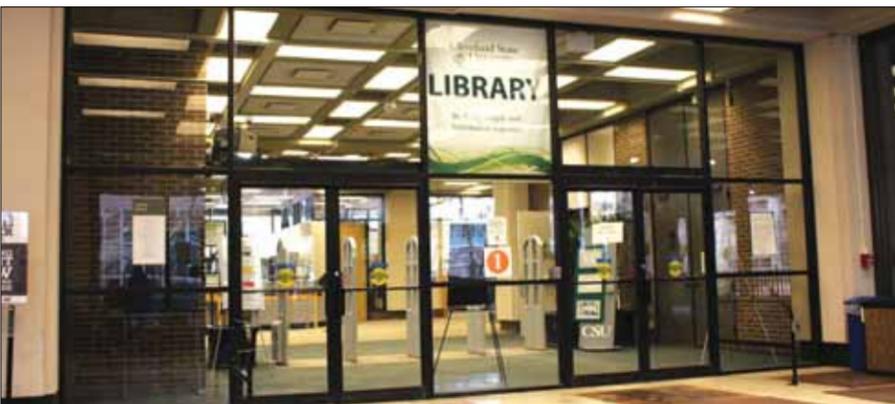
**A hidden district gem that more people should know about:** The CSU Rec Center

**One new thing he would add to the district:** a laundromat near the CSU campus

- Vincent is a student at Cleveland State University. He has a certificate in teaching English as a second language and is currently deciding which masters program

he'd like to pursue.

- Vincent works as a tutor for the America Reads program and helps local elementary school students improve their reading skills.
- From 2005 to 2006, Vincent studied French in Quebec, Canada.
- Someday he hopes to teach English abroad.
- One of Vincent's goals for the future is to complete an autobiography.



The main entrance of the Michael Schwartz Library at CSU.



## 🌀 Jill Miller Zimon

works in the Campus District

**Her favorite place in the district:** Elements Bistro at 2300 Euclid Avenue.

**A hidden district gem more people should know about:** Trinity Commons

**One new thing she would add to the district:** a grocery store.

- Jill lives on the East side and has been a resident of the Cleveland area since 1988.
- She's worked at a mental health agency, as a freelance

writer and as a city council member.

- For the past two years, Jill has been Director of Partnerships for the Civic Commons. She helps find and educate people about the Civic Commons and persuades them to use the Civic Commons for online engagement.
- In her spare time, Jill loves to read, write and spend time with her family.



Elements Bistro on Euclid Avenue.



## 🌀 Ali Bakr Ali

Campus District student

**His favorite place in the district:** Asia Plaza at Payne and East 30th - he's there almost every day!

**A hidden gem more people should know about:** CSU and all it has to offer

**One new thing he would add to the district:** a community drum circle

- Ali Bakr is a Black Studies major at Cleveland State. He's also minoring in African music.
- He plays several instruments, including the djembe (which he is pictured with), the piano, and his favorite - the conga.
- Ali Bakr is the proud father of a 22-year-old son and a six-year-old daughter.





### Alex Welch

Alex Welch is a Psychology major in Cleveland State University's Honors Program. You can reach her at alexwelch.photography@yahoo.com.



### Constance Crawford

Campus District visitor

**Her favorite place in the Campus District:** the CSU Rec Center

**A hidden gem that more people should know about:** the monuments and architecture in Public Square - it's not in our district, but it's nearby!

**One new thing she would add to the district:** more activities for young people

- Constance lives in Shaker but is a frequent visitor of the Campus District. She loves the CSU campus and also frequents the Asia Plaza at Payne and East 30th.
- She works teaching fitness for senior citizens.
- Constance loves the variety of museums and theatres that Cleveland has to offer.



The Rec Center at CSU.



A statue of Moses Cleveland that stands in Public Square.



### Dan Gray

Local business owner

**His favorite place in the district:** The Student Center at CSU.

**A hidden gem in the district that more people should know about:** Daffy Dan's, located at 2101 Superior Avenue.

**New things he would add to the district:** A music venue for CSU students similar to the Beachland Ballroom or the Winchester Music Hall. Also - a new pizza place.

- Dan Gray is the owner of Daffy Dan's, a T-shirt printing store that does screen and digital printing, embroidery and much more. His

original store opened on Clifton Boulevard in 1973.

- At one point, Dan managed 27 stores. Since his retirement, the Campus District store is the only remaining Daffy Dan's location.
- Dan's three-year-old golden retriever, Einstein, travels everywhere with him.
- Dan is passionate about the Cleveland music scene and has fond memories of the Agora Theatre and the Music Grotto record store, both of which used to be located near Cleveland State.



The storefront of Daffy Dan's on Superior Avenue.



The Student Center atrium at Cleveland State University.



### James Penland

works in the Campus District

**His favorite place in the district:** The Cleveland Boxing Club

**A hidden district gem that more people should know about:** also the Cleveland Boxing Club!

**One new thing he would add to the district:** a roller skating rink

- James works at the Cleveland Boxing Club at 2157 Superior, which offers training in boxing, aerobics, self-defense and general fitness. They

also have confidence-building programs for youth. James has been manager at the CBC for three years.

- Outside of work, he loves riding dirt bikes, visiting the Science Center and Playhouse Square, and reading. His favorite book is *The 48 Laws of Power* by Robert Greene.
- James is the proud owner of two fish named Rocky and Bullwinkle.



Outside the Cleveland Boxing Club on Superior Avenue.

## Next Steps for Central Choice Neighborhood Plan Discussed at Recent Community Meeting



(Left) CMHA Director of Development Donovan Duncan speaks with Cedar residents. (Right) Cedar resident Fred Seals at the Choice Neighborhood community meeting

By Cortney Kilbury

The Central Choice Transformation Plan continues to move forward as the framework has been developed and residents are becoming even more excited about what the future holds for their neighborhood.

On Wednesday, Feb. 20, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) held a community meeting at the Cedar High Rise, where residents were encouraged to give feedback and provide information regarding plans for the Cedar Central area. They discussed what's happening, why it's happening, and when to expect changes.

Community partners such as August Fluker from City Architecture and Tim Tramble from Burten, Bell, Carr Development informed the group of the transformational plan and other community updates. CMHA CEO Jeffery K. Patterson and CMHA Director of Development Donovan Duncan talked about the planning process and timeline as well as supportive services as they relate to the residents and their families.

The process is now complete for phases one and two of the plan and we are now entering phase three. The first phases occurred in December, when 156

residents moved to new locations. In the third and final phase, we are gearing up to move about 80 residents into new homes. Residents are excited and ready to start their new lives and see the transformation of the Central Neighborhood.

"The plans are looking great and I'm thrilled to see what it will look like when it is all finalized," said Fred Seals, Cedar resident and Progressive Action Council Executive Committee member. "I like that our ideas and feedback are incorporated into the process. I am confident it will be a beautiful place to live."

CMHA will hold the next meeting in March to discuss in more detail relocation, surveys on transfers, plans for moving to another property and obtaining vouchers. The final group will begin to move in May and June. The plan is to complete phase three by August so that families have time to get settled and enroll their kids in time for the new school year.

**Cortney Kilbury is the Marketing Director at the Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority. She is responsible for planning and executive marketing initiatives to build positive awareness for CMHA.**

## Trinity's Canon Mebane Named Chair of OTSE Board



The Rev. Canon Will Mebane

By April Miller

Ohioans to Stop Executions (OTSE) has announced that the Rev. Canon Will Mebane is the new Chair of its Board of Directors.

Born and raised in Durham, N.C., Rev. Mebane has demonstrated a consistent commitment to social justice issues but has a particular passion for repeal of the death penalty. In addition to his work on the board of OTSE, Rev. Mebane has galvanized individuals in Northeastern Ohio to support repeal through his work as Canon of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Cleveland and as a member of Greater Cleveland Congregations' strategy team.

Rev. Mebane's appointment comes at a particularly exciting time for OTSE, as 2013 marks the 25th anniversary of the organization. "I intend to have the shortest tenure and be the last chair of OTSE," Rev. Mebane said. "Our vision is to move Ohio into the 21st century with a justice system that is fair, accurate, and serves the needs of victims' family members."

"I have not always been opposed to capital punishment," he said, "but as my faith deepened and I became better informed about the costs associated with

death penalty cases, the lack of closure experienced by the loved ones of murder victims, the arbitrary application of capital punishment, knowing that innocent individuals have been sentenced to death row and that we have already likely executed innocent defendants, my convictions and beliefs on this issue evolved. I look forward to working with citizens, organizations, political leaders and all persons of goodwill in preventing the continuation of such a travesty."

The executive director of OTSE, Kevin Werner, said, "We look forward to the enthusiasm and experience Will brings to our board. He's ready to roll up his sleeves and do the work necessary to make repeal a priority for Ohio leaders in the coming years."

About Ohioans to Stop Executions: OTSE was founded in 1988 with the mission to abolish the use of the death penalty in the state of Ohio. We are faith leaders, community leaders, activists, attorneys, death row exonerees and those who have lost loved ones to violence. OTSE is the state affiliate of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

**April Miller is communications manager at Trinity Cathedral.**

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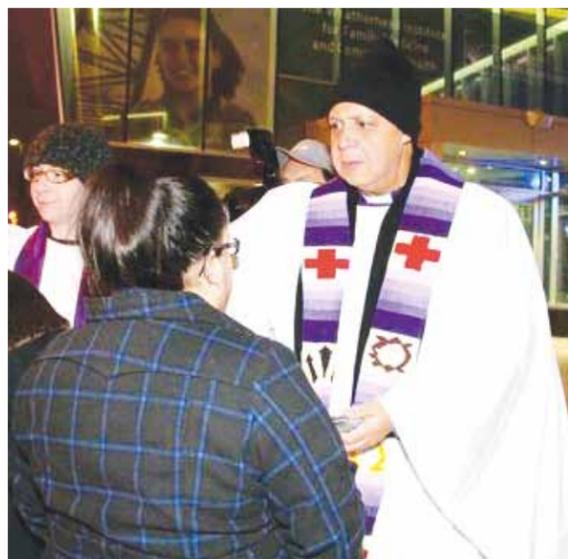
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# 'Ashes to Go' Moves Trinity Beyond the Cathedral Walls



Community members receive ashes from Trinity Cathedral priests. Photos by Sam Hubish

By April Miller

Trinity Cathedral clergy took to the streets on Ash Wednesday, February 13, to mark the beginning of the holy season of Lent by giving "Ashes to Go." Clergy members were at the Stephanie Tubbs Jones Transit Center from 6:30-8:30 a.m. and on the steps of the Cathedral (2230 Euclid Avenue) from 1-2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.

This was Trinity's first year participating in the initiative and the response was overwhelmingly positive. Channel 3 did a live segment from the Transit Center, and one woman hopped in her car after seeing the coverage to come down and receive ashes. A Facebook friend commented that it was "just the push I needed to get me back into attending services regularly."

"Church is not about what goes on within the four walls of a building," says the Rev. Canon Will Mebane of Trinity Cathedral. "It should be about

strengthening, nurturing and meeting people where they are in the world. Ashes to Go allows us to meet students, workers and downtown residents while going about their daily routines, and it recognizes that we all live in a very fast-paced and busy world. Taking Ash Wednesday beyond the Cathedral is a simple but powerful act that takes the gifts of prayer, repentance, a moment of renewal and grace to the streets."

Priests and lay people from Episcopal churches across the country visited train stations, subway stops, coffee shops and street corners to mark the foreheads of interested passers-by with the sign of the cross and to invite them to repent of their past wrongdoings and seek forgiveness and renewal. The Rev. Teresa K. M. Danieley of St. John's Episcopal Church, St. Louis, Mo., is the unofficial coordinator of the Ashes to Go movement. Rev. Danieley's ecumenical clergy group

developed the idea in 2007.

In addition to Ashes to Go, Trinity Cathedral held three Ash Wednesday services at the church.

**Trinity Cathedral's Holy Week and Easter schedule:**

**PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

8 a.m. Early Eucharist  
9 a.m. Mostly Jazz Mass  
11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist  
5 p.m. Eventide

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27**

6 p.m. Tenebrae Service

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 28**

12:10 p.m. Eucharist & Healing Service  
6 p.m. Potluck and Vigil

**GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29**

12 p.m. Solemn Liturgy  
1 p.m. Good Friday Blues & Lamentations

1 p.m. Children's Good Friday Program  
7:30 p.m. Good Friday Concert  
Ein deutsches Requiem (A German Requiem), Op. 45  
by Johannes Brahms  
Trinity Cathedral Choir, soloists and instrumentalists  
Todd Wilson, conductor

**EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31**

6 a.m. The Great Vigil of Easter  
9 a.m. Contemporary Festival Eucharist  
11:15 a.m. Festival Eucharist

**About Trinity Cathedral:**

Trinity Cathedral, the Episcopal Church in downtown Cleveland, invites participation from people of all faiths, races, nationalities and walks of life. For more information on Trinity Cathedral and its programs, please call 216-771-3630 or visit [www.trinitycleveland.org](http://www.trinitycleveland.org).

**April Miller is communications manager at Trinity Cathedral.**

## St. Vincent Charity Celebrates Minority Health Month

By Lauren Wilk

In celebration of Minority Health Month, St. Vincent Charity Medical Center will be hosting a Health Carnival on April 13 at the Tri-C Metro Campus gym

from 12 to 4 p.m. The Health Carnival will provide attendees with fun and interactive health information. The entire community is invited to come out and celebrate this event.

The goal of the Health Carnival is to provide families of the Central neighborhood and the surrounding area with a fun, educational event that encourages healthy eating and active living. Physicians and Caregivers from the Center for Bariatric Surgery, Podiatry, Sports Medicine, Phar-

macy and the Health Literacy Institute at St. Vincent Charity will be on site to interact with and educate the community. The medical center has also partnered with a number of area organizations that will be at the Health Carnival including the Children's Hunger Alliance, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority, Boy Scouts of America, St. Luke's Dental Associates, Care Alliance and many more.

The Health Carnival will include a vari-

ety of activities for both adults and children. Following the carnival theme, attendees will have the opportunity to play fun, interactive games, taste healthy foods, take home great giveaways and also win prizes. Additionally, a photo booth will be set up providing children with the opportunity to dress up as medical professionals for pictures.

**Lauren Wilk is the Marketing and Volunteer Coordinator at St. Vincent Charity Medical Center.**

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# Make the Effort to Save

By Fred Dolan

Do you have a financial goal? You should. A goal for many people would probably be to become debt free, with the added bonus of saving for future purchases and retirement.

Think about it. If you were debt free, there would be no extra costs on your money and no percentages to pay on credit cards, car loans or mortgages. Your monthly bills could be paid and the balance of your paycheck or retirement check would be yours to spend and save as you wished. Getting to that point of being debt free, however, is often the challenge.

Saving money is difficult, especially in an environment loaded with temptations such as ours in the U.S. Yes, it might be nice to go shopping for new clothes, furniture, cars, TVs and everything else. However, the more you can resist, the better off you will be. There is a very good philosophy called "Live Moderately" that is worth considering. Here are some ideas to get you started.

Keep driving your vehicle after it's paid off. Many people trade in their vehicle before it's paid off, just because they get tired of it or want something new. They always have a car payment. However, life without a car payment is awesome! It's hundreds of dollars extra each month that can be put away for car repairs or other unexpected expenses.

Plus, today's vehicles are built to last, even with high mileage. The longer you can drive a vehicle without replacing it, the more you will save.

Next time, buy a used car. A new car depreciates thousands of dollars over the course of a few years. Used vehicles are cheaper, and low mileage ones will still come with the manufacturer's warranty.

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Put money away for retirement. Open an IRA and start saving for your future. No one is going to care how much you have to retire on except you. Start today -

tomorrow will be here before you know it.

Live beneath your income. Whatever you make, spend less and put the balance away or pay off debt. You will always be in a losing situation if credit card balances are growing. If that's the case, keep track of how you spend your money and make cuts. Even something small like packing your lunch for work instead of eating out can save hundreds of dollars over time.

Shop discount and thrift stores. Greater Clevelanders are lucky that there are numerous discount stores in our area to help them save. In addition, there are also plenty of thrift stores available to help save on clothing and miscellaneous items.

Learn to like saving money. Get ready! Saving money is catchy. Once you start cutting corners on spending, it almost becomes a game of examining other expenditures to see where else you can save. You start thinking about purchases instead of automatically pulling money or a credit card out of your pocket. Once that happens, you can congratulate yourself - you're on the right path. In addition, you'll find it's also hard to go back to your old carefree spending ways.

There are plenty of ways to save money. It just takes some effort and a new attitude. For many people, it's easier to do nothing and just not think about it; however, once you start seeing the benefits, you'll realize that it's worth the effort. Plus, you'll be in a financial position of strength - and that's a good place to be.

**Fred Dolan does marketing for Ohio's First Class Credit Union, working with Jeff Spada and the staff.**

# "Not on Our Watch" Student Film Contest

By Justice Bernard Hill

Are you a student interested in being a filmmaker?

Well, students in the Cedar-Central, Hough and Fairfax campus areas and also those at other schools in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) can get a taste of film-making if they win "The Bully X Project 2013."

The film contest, part of "Not on Our Watch" (N.O.W.), is another step in the school district's year-long campaign to stamp out bullying behavior in schools.

"Bullying will be eliminated in our schools only if students are empowered to stand up and speak out against bullying behaviors," said Gayle Gadison, manager of Social Studies. "The Bully X Project allows CMSD students to use their voices to educate their peers about the urgency of creating bully-free schools."

The project encourages students to submit scripts, songs, raps or poems that tell their peers about the negative consequences of bullying.

Among the entries, five schools will be chosen to produce their work in a feature presentation, which will premiere at the end of the school year.

**To enter, follow these steps:**

- Meet with your school's N.O.W. team and discuss themes, concepts

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# Trowels, Tongs and Teachers: How community is leading to better nutrition in Central

By Erika Meschkat

Kids like to eat healthy foods - really! Recently, groups of first through eighth grade students in the Central neighborhood were asked to choose from a picture list of fruits and vegetables for a planned school salad bar. We heard: "Carrots, I love carrots!" Others chimed in with "Are tomatoes on the list? I want tomatoes!" and "My brother doesn't like green peppers, but I do!" The children took time to consider each item and make their choices. Most papers had almost all of the items circled; there were even a few requests for vegetables not on the list. The kids were actually asking for vegetables!

Evidently, efforts to bring healthier food options to the Central neighborhood, and especially into the schools, are right on target. One group working to encourage healthy school meal choices is the Central Community Healthy Group (CCHG). CCHG is a community health action group of Central residents who have been together since 2006, determined to have an impact on the health and wellness of their neighborhood. They are tackling the major health issues affecting their neighbors - diabetes, strokes, obesity and breast cancer - and educating families about healthier lifestyles as well as encouraging the community to provide healthier lifestyle options.

One option for addressing these issues is to increase the variety and amount of fresh, local fruits and vegetables offered in school meals. Central is fortunate to have a number of groups working to increase access to and availability of healthy food options in the community. Once CCHG determined that its focus would be healthy school meals, members sought out certain organizations to partner with in their efforts.

Two partners, the Ohio State University Extension and Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL), joined with CCHG to plan Newtrition in our Schools, a community forum that was held at Cuyahoga Community College on Jan. 31. The forum's purpose was to educate community members (over 65 people attended) about school food policy and possible opportunities to bring locally grown produce into the schools.

A second opportunity, one to get the children involved, has also presented itself in the Central neighborhood. Ohio State University Extension successfully applied for a "farm to school" grant to construct a garden on the grounds of Marion-Sterling School and to implement a salad bar. With the help of teachers, CCHG members, organizations partnered with the school (the Community of St. Peter and St. Vincent Charity Medical Center) and master garden-

ers trained by OSU Extension, the students will raise many of the vegetables that they will see in the salad bar.

While the garden will start growing this spring, the plan is to have a salad bar in place for the next school year. Working with other HEAL partner agencies, the Ohio State University Extension will also be connecting families of Marion-Sterling to the many resources that support healthy eating in the neighborhood - complementing the community "wrap-around" school model, the adoption of which has earned Marion-Sterling much attention.

Plans are to connect students and parents with FREE cooking and nutrition classes held at Burten, Bell, Carr's CornUcopia Kitchen, visit neighborhood food production sites (there are many in Central!) through a series of field trips, and even develop book clubs with the Sterling Library Branch focused on gardening, environment and food. All resources to support the garden outside of the grant funds will be provided by the community.

For more information about the farm to school grant and to get involved, contact Erika Meschkat at Meschkat.1@osu.edu.

*Erika Meschkat is Program Coordinator with the Ohio State University Extension of Cuyahoga County.*

## Contest

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and content

- Create a script, song, rap or poem that is between 3 to 5 minutes long and illustrates bullying behavior and how students work to decrease the frequency of bullying

Each entrant must complete an entry form and submit it to his or her school principal by Friday, March 15. Principals will email scripts, lyrics or poems to humanware@cmsdnet.net no later than 11 p.m. on Friday, March 18.

In the judging, 50 percent of the scoring will be for the message, which must be positive and forward-thinking, and on how involved students were in the process as well as whether the entry includes N.O.W. as part of its theme.

The concept and approach are 30 percent of the score. They must be unique. Judges will look to see if entrants used innovative ways to convey their message.

The final 20 percent of the scoring will be based upon how clearly entrants convey their message - whether the meaning is easily understandable.

Are you interested in fighting against bullying in an expressive, creative way? Ask your school principal about your school's involvement with N.O.W. and get involved today!

*Justice Bernard Hill is a writer and editor for the Cleveland Metropolitan School District.*



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## March 8 through April 6

### "Contemporaries 13"

#### Group Exhibition at the Bonfoey Gallery

The Opening Reception for "Contemporaries 13" will be Friday, March 8 from 5 to 8 p.m. The exhibition will continue to run through April 6 and features work by the following artists: Kirsten Bowen, Andy Curlowe, Susan Danko, Marilyn Farinacci, Kathleen Hammett, Brandon Juhasz, Tricia Lazuka, Erik Neff, Dana Oldfather and Robert Robinson. Call 216-621-0178 for gallery hours and for further information.

#### Location:

**The Bonfoey Gallery**

1710 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115

## March 9, 16, 23 and April 6

### Cooking With Chef Wells Series

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Come spend a Saturday afternoon trying your hand at cooking. This relaxed atmosphere will guarantee you have a good time whether you come alone, bring a date or bring friends. March 9 is Asian Fusion, followed by Italian Night, Lowfat Solutions, and Cooking With Zucchini, Squash and Pumpkins. For tickets to these events, contact Burton, Bell, Carr Development, Inc. at 216-341-1455.

#### Location:

**CornUcopia Place**

7201 Kinsman Rd., Cleveland, OH 44104

## March 9

### Free Family Day Celebrating the First Ladies in Space: Sally Ride & Valentina Tereshkova

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Join us for our 8th Annual FREE Family Day, presented by the International Women's Air & Space Museum! This year we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Valentina Tereshkova becoming the first woman in space and the 30th Anniversary of Sally Ride becoming the first American woman in space. Event includes crafts, games, live performances and more! For more information, call 216-623-1111.

#### Location:

**Burke Lakefront Airport**

1501 N. Marginal Road, Cleveland, OH 44114

## March 9

### Rock the Foundation at House of Blues

7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Presented by FirstMerit Wealth Management Services, this rock 'n' roll party benefits the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation. This year's event will feature an 80s theme and live music from the cover band the Spazmatics, fantastic food, dancing and a silent auction. For tickets, call 216-696-3525 or visit [www.clemetrobar.org/rockthefoundation](http://www.clemetrobar.org/rockthefoundation). The event is FREE.

#### Location:

**House of Blues Cleveland**

308 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44114

## March 15 through April 28

### Cleveland Print Room presents "Homegrown"

Visit the Cleveland Print Room for its "Homegrown" exhibition, a showing of work from Northeast Ohio Photographers.

**Opening Reception: March 15, 5 - 9 p.m. featuring urban farms, CSAs and local food sources.**

**Gallery Talk: March 16, 1 p.m. featuring curators Nancy McEntee and Jonathan Wayne**

Please visit [www.clevelandprintroom.com](http://www.clevelandprintroom.com) for a complete list of artists participating in the exhibition, or call 216-401-5981 for gallery hours and more information.

#### Location:

**The ArtCraft Building**

2550 Superior Avenue,  
Cleveland, OH 44114

## March 19

### "Women in Transition" program begins at Tri-C's Metro Campus

The Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) Women in Transition (WIT) program will begin offering classes on Tuesday, March 19 at the Metropolitan campus. The eight-week non-credit program is free and open to the public during the daytime. Registration is required. Course topics include personal development, career exploration, professional workshops, computer introduction and financial literacy. Call 216.987.4187 for more information.

#### Location:

**Tri-C Metro Campus**

2900 Community College Avenue,  
Cleveland, OH 44115

## March 19, April 9, & April 30

### The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Presents Gallery Talk:

#### Jimmy Hendrix and Psychedelic San Francisco

1 p.m.

This Gallery Talk begins in the Cities and Sounds: San Francisco - Somebody to Love (1965 - 1969) exhibit, focusing on San Francisco's innovative and popular musical groups and how they changed the way music was performed and experienced. The talk then moves to the life and music of Jimi Hendrix. The gallery talks are complimentary with the purchase of general admission. For more information, visit [www.rockhall.com](http://www.rockhall.com).

#### Location:

**The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame**

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## March 22

### Winter Jam Tour Spectacular

7 p.m.

The Winter Jam Tour Spectacular returns to Cleveland on March 22 featuring a variety of artists, including Red, Matthew West, Jamie Grace, Royal Tailor, Sidewalk Prophets, Nick Hall, Jason Castro, OBB and Capital Kings. Admission is \$10 at the door - no ticket is required. An affordable event for the whole family! Doors open at 6 p.m. and show begins at 7. For further details and a full list of participating artists, visit [www.jamtour.com](http://www.jamtour.com).

#### Location:

**The CSU Wolstein Center**

2000 Prospect Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115

## March 23

### Downtown Dead Zombie Crawl

Prepare for The Walking Dead season finale by partying downtown in the "Downtown Dead" zombie crawl! Have fun, support downtown, and benefit the Downtown Cleveland Residents Association while you're at it as we crawl from bar to bar in the Warehouse District.

**Time: Registration/Check In Starts at 8:00pm**

**Cost: \$10 (includes drink specials, makeup, and entry into raffle)**

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Come attend Ohio's premier film event, the Cleveland International Film Festival (CIFF)! The event features 170 feature films and 160 short subject films from 60 different countries! Opening night and closing awards night are expected to draw crowds in the thousands! Tickets will go on sale to members on March 15 and to the general public on March 22. For more information, contact Debby Samples, Marketing Director, at 216-623-3456 x14 or [Debby@clevelandfilms.org](mailto:Debby@clevelandfilms.org), or visit the CIFF website, [www.clevelandfilm.org](http://www.clevelandfilm.org).

#### Location:

**Tower City Cinemas**

230 W Huron Rd, Cleveland, OH 44113

## April 4, 6 & 7

### Student-Directed One-Act Plays at Tri-C Metro Campus

The Metropolitan Campus Theatre is featuring two student-directed one-act plays this spring. The first is Woody Allen's *God*, a play within a farcical play-within-a-play about a playwright and an actor trying to figure out how to end their play and raising questions about existence.

The second is *Cocoanut Soup at the Palace, or If the Marx Brothers Had Performed Oedipus The King*, a Burlesque re-telling of the Oedipus Rex myth with the Marx Brothers in primary roles.

**Times: 7:30 p.m. April 4 and 6 and 1:30 p.m. April 7**

**Tickets: \$10 for adults; \$8 for students, seniors and Tri-C employees; \$5 for Tri-C students with valid ID. They will be sold at the door. To reserve tickets, call 216-987-4211.**

#### Location:

**Tri-C Metro Campus Studio Theatre**

2900 Community College Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44115

## April 5

### 1964 - The Beatles Tribute

7:30 p.m.

Critics and audiences are raving about 1964-The Beatles Tribute, where the music and magic combine to recreate an authentic 1964 Beatles concert complete with instruments and costumes. This tribute will bring back a flood of memories for adults and show kids just what they missed in 1964. Ticket costs range from \$10 - \$30. To purchase tickets, visit <http://www.playhousesquare.org/>.

#### Location:

**Palace Theater - Playhouse Square**

1615 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115

## April 6

### Cleveland State University Spring Open House

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Visit CSU for the annual Spring Open House for an inside look at Cleveland State University. The university will be open to prospective and admitted students and parents, alumni and members of the community for a fun day of information and exploration. Spend the day or stop in for just a few hours to pick and choose from a wide range of campus activities. Find a major, tour the new and renovated student residence halls, learn more about financial aid, talk to academic advisors, meet current students and more! Other highlights include: student-led tours; a campus fair featuring programs, departments and student clubs; information sessions; and special presentations in six CSU colleges. The Rec Center will also be open to the public, and discounts will be available at the Student Center eateries and Viking Outfitters bookstore and apparel. Register online at [www.csuohio.edu](http://www.csuohio.edu) or call 216-523-7416.

#### Location:

**Cleveland State University**

2121 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115

## April 13

### St. Vincent Charity Medical Center

#### Health Carnival

12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

In celebration of April being Minority Health Month, St. Vincent Charity Medical Center will be hosting a Health Carnival on April 13. The Health Carnival will provide members of the community with fun and interactive health information from the Caregivers at St. Vincent Charity and other local organizations. Stop by for the chance to win great prizes and learn more about healthy eating and active living! There will be activities for both adults and children - all are invited to attend this event! For more information, call 216-861-6200.

#### Location:

**Tri-C Metro Campus gym**

700 Carnegie Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115