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Jeanne Bohannon
Received a 2018 CHSS Teaching Incentive Grant in support of her course WRIT 3150 “Digital Writing & Public Texts”

Sergio Figueiredo
Co-edited Textshops volume 5
View the volume.

Gabrielle Fulton
Hosted by Found Stages for a staged reading of her play, Heart Chakra Block
View the announcement.
Faculty

Anthony Grooms
Interviewed by the AJC for novel, *The Vain Conversation* and novel listed on the 2018 “Books All Georgians Should Read”
View the article.
Purchase the novel.
Visit the author’s website.

David Johnson
Published article “A Linguistic and Religious Interpretation of the Word Pain in the Age of American Secularism” in *The Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion.*
View the article abstract.

Raymond L. Atkins
Published novel, *Set List* in September 2018
Purchase the novel.
Visit the author’s website.
Alumni

Peter Bein
Published novel, *Maxwell’s Suitcase* in October 2018
Purchase the [novel](#).
Visit the author’s [website](#).

Mackleen Desravines
Directed and released the film, *Smoke*
View the [trailer](#).

Nicole Knox “Junior Knox”
Published essay, “An Experiment” in *Gutwrench* issue 5
View the [essay](#).
**Alumni**

**Colonel Robert G. Knowles**
Announced his retirement as a senior instructor in Communication at Perimeter College of Georgia State University on December 20, 2018.

**Bobbi Kornblit**
Won Best Novel by the Beverly Hills Book Awards for novel, *Red Carpet Rivals*
View the press [announcement](#).
Purchase the [novel](#).
Visit the author’s [website](#).

**Karen Pickell**
Published novel, *An Adoptee Lexicon* in October, 2018
Purchase the [novel](#).
Visit the author’s [website](#).
Valerie Smith
Published two poems in *Auburn Avenue’s* Autumn/Winter 2018 issue
Read “Winter in Georgia”.
Read “Legion: For We Are Many”.
Visit the author’s website.

Melva Robertson
Published article, “Fostering Unity Within A Global Organization” in the *Journal of Biblical Perspectives*
View the article.

Sussan Sutphen
Published novel, *Guardian Angel*
Purchase the novel.
Visit author’s website.
Abubaker, Briley, and Ledford
The KSU “Graduate College Newsletter” features articles about the achievements of three MAPW students, Mustafa Abubaker, Justin Briley and Dustin Ledford. Read the articles.

Mustafa Abubaker
Published article, “GIACC welcomes Consul General at U.S.-India trade seminar” in Khabar Magazine
View the article.
Visit the author’s website.

Victoria Banks (recent graduate)
The MAPW faculty selected Victoria “Tori” Banks as the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS) 2019 Student Scholar for MAPW.
Students

Emily Deibler
Published novel *Dove Keeper* on October 10, 2018.
Purchase the [novel](#).
Visit the author’s [website](#).

Published short story *Deer in December* by TL;DR Press
View the [press release](#).

Kandace James
LA LIVE, a national scriptwriting contest and film festival, has selected the short screenplay, “Cutting Teeth,” by MAPW student Kandace James.

Laurel Lowe
Hosted by Pumphouse Players for a staged reading of her play, Living Room.
View the [announcement](#).
Students

Laura McCarter (recent graduate)
Laura McCarter, a current MAPW student, was one of just thirteen finalists of 300 competitors selected by judges in the Summit Pitch Contest held in Atlanta, April 6 and 7, 2019. The two-day contest was a feature of the ScreenCraft Writers Summit held at Atlanta’s Georgian Terrace Hotel in conjunction with the Atlanta Film Festival.

Estefany Palacio (recent graduate)
View the review.

Zachary Zoeller (recent graduate)
Featured on USA Today’s website for his video for Atlanta Dream Center, a non profit organization for anti-human trafficking. View the review.