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ALL WEEK

Utah Women Making History Exhibit

When: All day

Where: George S. & Dolores Dore

Eccles Gallery

WEDNESDAY

Last day to drop classes with 100% refund

When: All day Where: All campuses

Advanced Creative Writing: Creating Believable Settings Part 2

When: 6 - 8 p.m. Where: 210 E. 400 S. #8

THURSDAY

Full Moon Festival

When: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Where: West Valley Center

Refreshments for the Body and Mind

When: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Where: West Valley Center

SLCC Men's Soccer v. USU **Eastern**

When: 1 - 3 p.m. Where: Herriman, UT

SLCC Women's Soccer v. USU **Eastern**

When: 3 - 5 p.m. Where: Herriman, UT

Academic Advising Closed

When: All day Where: All campuses

FRIDAY

Grant Writing Basics - 5 Part Workshop; Part 2

When: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Where: 210 E. 400 S. #8

Dr. Cesar Lozano

When: 8 - 11 p.m.

Where: South City Campus, The Grand

Theatre

SATURDAY

Experimenting with Hybrid Writing - 7 part Workshop

When: 1 - 3:30 p.m. Where: 210 E. 400 S. #8

SLCC Softball v. UFC

When: 9 - 11 a.m.

Where: TR Campus, Norma Carr Field

>>> For more information on these events, visit www.globeslcc.com/calendar

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University of Utah president speaks about campus reform

Austin Brewer

Staff Writer

University of Utah President Ruth Watkins spoke in an open forum Aug. 26 about changes to campus police safety procedures. This was the first time Watkins spoke about the policies enacted after Lauren McCluskey's death on Oct. 22, 2018, according to the Salt Lake Tribune.

McCluskey was killed by Melvin Shawn Rowland after ending a brief relationship with him, during which he gave her false information about his name, age and criminal history. After her death, allegations against the University of Utah were proposed stating that their campus police mishandled McCluskey's case. Now, the university faces a \$56 million lawsuit by McCluskey's parents on those same grounds.

University of Utah's Communications Director, Christopher Nelson says that this was not the first time Watkins had spoken about the topic.

"It was not President Watkins' first time presenting publicly on campus safety. It was the first time this year to the academic senate," says Nelson.

He goes on to say, "Lauren McCluskey's murder was a transformational event for the University of Utah. Since the tragedy, the university has worked diligently and methodically to understand exactly what happened so that we can prevent future mistakes. This has been a slow but thorough process, and, of course, it is ongoing - there is no finish line. As weaknesses and new issues surface, the university will move swiftly to fix them."

McCluskey's death also raised questions for college campuses across the state and country, forcing them to consider whether their safety protocols were enough.

"There has been a constant want to improve public safety [at SLCC]," Salt Lake Community College's counseling services manager, Scott Kadera, said in a Nov. 2018 interview "It's not likely we will experience a school shooting but remain vigilant. If you see something, say something."

The Globe did a full report on safety at SLCC last fall, in which the previous student association president said SLCC is asking students, "What can we, as an institution, do for you?"

According to Nelson, the University of Utah has approved a \$925,000 plan from the Presidential Task Force on Campus Safety, which specializes in creating a safe environment for students. This sum is in addition to the \$6 million, "that will be made by other campus entities over the next several years."

While the university may be doing its best to right the wrongs around McCluskey's death some students feel it isn't

Devon Cantwell, a student senator, asked Watkins during her public forum, "I'd like to hear why Officer Michael Deras has been retained, and why his failure to act properly in the second case has not prompted termination."

Watkins declined to comment.



Watkins entered the role of President at the University of Utah in January 2018. She is the 16th president to preside over the school. Watkins had been president for eleven months at the time of McCluskey's death.

>>> The **best skaters** in the world take on Salt Lake City

Photos by Gina Portugal

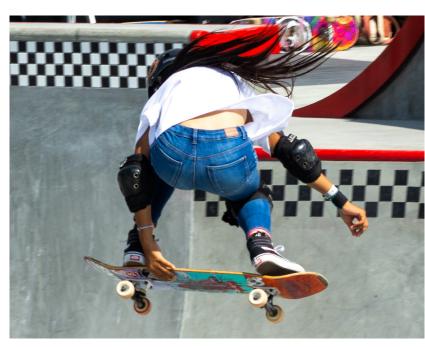
Vans Park Series donated a new skate site to the Utah State Fair Park, and on Sept. 7 the top park terrain skaters came to compete in the 2019 Vans Park Series World Championships.



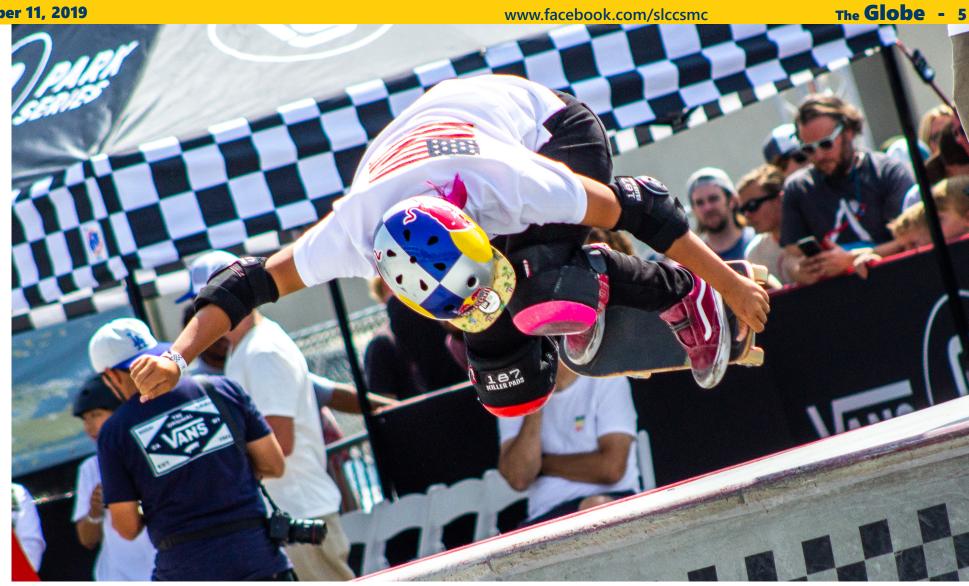
Kokona Hiraki sitting on Sakura Yosozumi's lap, excitedly await the award ceremony.



2019 VPS Champion Oskar Rozenberg's creativity and improvisation made for one of the most exciting runs of the Park Series.



Kokona Hiraki, 11, placed second.



VPS Women's World Champion Sakura Yosozumi's trick selection and clean execution earned her the championship title.



Tristan Rennie, one of the most consistent skaters all season, earned 3rd place.



Oskar's inspiring mix of tricks and lines placed him atop the leaderboard unrivaled.

Original student painting stolen from the Student Center

Carly Gooch

Staff Writer

Salt Lake Community College student Emily Engh's original painting, "Demons" has been stolen from the student center, where it was on permanent display.

"The Utah Highway Patrol has been conducting an investigation since mid-August," says SLCC's Art Collection Technician James Walton.

So far, the investigation has not garnered any real leads.

Engh created the piece in March of this year as a final project for her art class. It was purchased in April alongside another group of paintings—all intended to be kept on permanent display at the school.

"I put in a lot of work into that piece and was very happy how it turned out," Engh says.

Engh's young daughters were happy when it was finally out of the house and put on display at the school. "It would reflect in a mirror they use [to] get ready and scare them."

The painting was installed on the second floor of the Student Center in June. Custodial staff noticed it had been taken in early August.

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, college burglaries have been on a steady decline in the last 15 years, down from 30,000 during 2005 to just over 10,000 during 2016. Though crime has decreased on campuses across the nation, the theft of original artwork is a reminder for students to keep an eye on their belongings.

"At the end of the day, I guess [I] can advertise that people like my work so much they are stealing my art from the walls," concludes Engh.

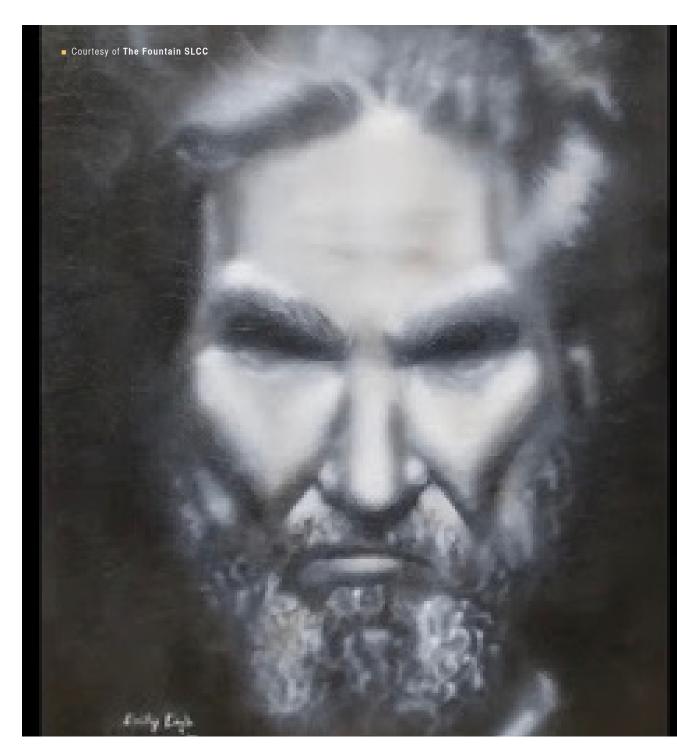
Students with any information on the missing artwork should contact Walton by email at james. walton@slcc.edu or by phone at 801-957-4530.

About the artwork:

Artist: Emily Engh Title: "Demons"

Medium: Airbrush on board Frame size: 27 ³/₄ x 19 ³/₄ x 0 7/8 in.

Last known location: 254 Student Center, Taylorsville Redwood Campus



The stolen artwork was intended to be on permanent display at Taylorsville Redwood Campus.

SLCC holds civil liberties hearing, giving opening to act

Megan Neff

Staff Writer

Salt Lake Community College hosted its first student civil liberties hearing on Aug. 28, giving the community the chance to voice concerns and feedback.

The public rule-making hearing on student civil liberties was held at the Taylorsville Redwood Campus. The hearing had a clear agenda of how administrative rules affect student civil liberties across all SLCC Campuses.

The Student Civil Liberties Protection Act passed in the Utah Legislature and became effective law in May 2018. This new law requires colleges to identify policies that may have an impact on student civil liberties.

Before the hearing was set, faculty of SLCC determined what would most affect the student body. The following administrative rules were set for review:

- * R784-2 Free Expression on Campus
- * R784-3 Weapons on Campus
- * R784-4 Student Due Process

The hearing was opened with short briefings of each policy from SLCC's Dean of Students Ken Stonebrook, General Counsel Chris Lacombe, and Assistant Attorney General Steve Gordan.

Students were given access to all policies that would be reviewed during the hearing.

"Based on their review of the policies posted, [students] didn't have any issues with the policies. Most had questions with the language of the policies,"

Stonebrook says. "I think what we realized is that we might be able to do a better job defining, for example, the preponderance of evidence. So, our students have a better idea of what it means or impacts them."

After briefings were held, they opened the floor up to those present. With each rule being presented, attendees were able to provide public comment on any given rules.

"Students had questions around what free speech looks like in an academic classroom. What impact does academic freedom have on free speech overall?" Stonebrook says.

The above policies had gone through the public rule-making process from Aug. 1 to Sept. 3. The closure date for public comments was Sept 3.

"What we did at the public hearing was to make sure to remind individuals that if they didn't want to make the comment publicly or after the hearing, they could do so by sending an email to our policy coordinator at the college," Stonebrook says.

"He also encourages students who attended the meeting to share what they learned with other students."

The administrative policies will now move to the executive cabinet of the college. The cabinet will discuss and take the comments into consideration, before reaching an agreement or review. If all is agreed upon, the policies will finalize.



SLCC has taken initiative to hold a public hearing about student civil liberties.

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