GRAMMY®-NOMINATED MUSICIAN AND COMPOSER TO APPEAR IN CONCERT AT TRUMAN – Truman’s Student Government Association will be presenting two-time Grammy-nominated recording artist Rahim AlHaj in concert on Tuesday, November 25, at 1 p.m. in Novar Hall.

The Iraqi-born virtuoso oud player and composer has found in his ancient instrument, whose written history spans some 5,000 years, a unique voice that speaks passionately to contemporary listeners of every musical background. Deftly combining traditional Iraqi mahatma with contemporary stylings and influences, AlHaj seeks to translate into music the suffering, joy, anxiety, and determination that he has experienced and witnessed in his lifelong struggle against injustice – as an Iraqi, a political refugee, and today as an American citizen. Communicating with a compelling immediacy that bypasses cultural obstacles, his music speaks irresistibly to the heart in a universal language of compassion.

Since coming to the United States, AlHaj has released several recordings that have earned high praise, including 2008 and 2010 Grammy nominations. His compositions embrace a broad spectrum of musical genres, routinely and seamlessly marrying Eastern and Western traditions. In addition to solo recordings and performances, he works with a variety of musical companions, from jazz artists (Bill Frissell) and classical Indian maestros like Amjad Ali Khan to string quartets (Kronos Quartet).

For more information about Rahim AlHaj and his music, visit the Truman College events Web site.

A BEST ‘CLEP’ SECRET NO MORE – Harry S Truman College has been named one of the top 100 testing centers in the United States by the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) for having administered the most CLEP exams in 2013-2014.
Kudos to Indra Pelaez, Associate Dean of Student Services, and Diego Aguilar, Testing Center Coordinator, and their team for handling the influx of test takers with professionalism and ease!

**CAREER PLANNING & PLACEMENT CENTER’S FALL 2014 CAREER FAIR** – Employment opportunities abound as more than 65 employers participate in the Truman College Career Planning and Placement Center’s Fall 2014 Career Fair, Monday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Cafeteria. Recruiters from a wide variety of industries – including healthcare, cosmetology, accounting, automotive technology, child development, criminal justice, and more – take part in this opportunity for Truman students to get a head start in the job market. Students displaying their Truman I.D. can be granted express entry to the event and should bring an updated resume. Professional attire is required for the fair, and students can pre-register here. For more information, contact the Career Planning and Placement Center at 773.907.4069.

**‘DRESS FOR SUCCESS’ FASHION SHOW** – As a lead-in to its Monday, Nov. 17 Fall 2014 Career Fair, the Career Planning and Placement Center is sponsoring a “Dress for Success” fashion show on Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 10:30 a.m. in the McKeon Student Services Building Lobby. The event, coordinated by Jones of New York, will offer examples of the dos and don’ts when dressing for a job or internship interview.

**OFERTA DE NAMI Y CITY COLLEGES CENTROS DE BIENESTAR ‘COMPARTIENDO ESPERANZA’** – Se ha preguntado alguna vez:

- ¿Por qué su hija está tan irritable y se la pasa durmiendo todo el día?
- ¿Qué le pasa a ese amigo que anda hablando solo?
- ¿Cómo puede ayudarles?

La Alianza Nacional de Enfermedades Mentales de Chicago y los Colegios de la ciudad de Centros de Bienestar de Chicago pueden ayudarle a encontrar las respuestas a estas y otras preguntas similares. Venga y únase a ellos para la presentación interactiva de 90 minutos, Compartiendo Esperanza, y aprenda qué son los problemas mentales para poder ayudar a otros en la búsqueda de la ayuda que necesitan.

Dos presentadores hablarán de las experiencias que han vivido y:

- Les harán comprender las más importantes señales y síntomas del trastorno de pánico, depresión, trastorno bipolar y/o esquizofrenia.
- Ofrecerán un panorama de recuperación.
- Darán información sobre lo que pueden hacer las familias para buscar ayuda y proporcionar apoyo.
- Darán información sobre los recursos de NAMI.

El evento se llevará a cabo el jueves, 13 de noviembre de 3 a 4:30 pm en el Aula B, Sala 3440. Para más información comuníquese con Alice Viera al 773-907-4786 o pase por el Wellness Center, Salon 1946.

**UPDATE YOUR TRUMAN ID CARDS TODAY! Right Away!**

New security entrance turnstiles will be activated soon.
**UNICEF Club at Truman** invites the Truman community to its first scheduled event, a “Day of Children” Benefit Concert on Wednesday, Nov. 19, at 12:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria. The funk-soul group **The Monarchs** will perform along with appearances by instructor and guitarist/singer **Jeff Libman** and **Johnny the Magician**. A donation of $3 is suggested with money going to aid orphaned children. For more information, call 312.394.0997.

**SOS Sends Out An S.O.S: Help Us Fill The Baskets!** – Once again, the Truman **Students of Service Club** (SOS) and **Student Activities** are putting together holiday food baskets for 10 needy families on the Truman College campus – and they seek your help. Donations of non-perishable food items are being sought and can be brought to the SOS weekly meetings held every Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Student Government Conference Room or placed in collection boxes located by Student Activities (Room 1623).

What follows is a list of items needed for the Thanksgiving baskets. SOS will also accept fresh food items, including oranges, apples, celery, carrots, and onions **on the last day of the drive – Friday, Nov. 21**. Additionally, $10 gift certificates for each basket from any local grocery store toward the purchase of a turkey will be accepted. Baskets will be displayed for a drawing and disbursed on Monday, November 24:

- 20 large bottles of fruit juice
- 10 boxes of cake mix
- 20 boxes or 16 packages of stuffing mix
- 10 boxes of brownie mix
- 10 large boxes of instant or 10 5-lbs. bags of fresh potatoes
- 10 boxes of bread mix
- 20 boxes of rice or rice preparation mix
- 20 packages of cookies or crackers (holiday theme would be best)
- 10 cans of green beans
- 10 cans of stuffing mix
- 10 large boxes of instant or 10 5-lbs. bags of fresh potatoes
- 10 cans of coffee
- 10 boxes of rice or rice preparation mix
- 30 cans of green beans
- 30 boxes of cake mix
- 30 cans of whole kernel corn
- 30 boxes of brownie mix
- 30 cans of candied yams
- 20 cans of sweet peas
- 10 boxes of bread mix
- 20 jars of turkey or chicken gravy
- 20 cans of turkey or chicken broth
- 20 cans of cranberry sauce
- 30 cans of canned yams
- 20 boxes of gelatin or pudding mix
- 20 cans of sweet peas
- 10 packages of fresh or cans of mixed nuts
- 20 jars of turkey or chicken gravy
- 10 small boxes of tea bags
- 20 cans of cranberry sauce
- 10 cans of coffee
- 20 boxes of gelatin or pudding mix
- 10 cans of coffee
- 10 boxes of hot chocolate
- 10 sets of holiday theme paper goods (napkins, table cloths, paper plates, place mats)
- Kool-Aid
- Aluminum roasting pans
- Corn bread mix
- Bags of dried beans
- Cookies or snack cakes
- Please, no frozen pies, eggs or refrigerated biscuits
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If you have other food items to donate that are not on the list, SOS will gladly accept them. All the food items collected and not used for the Thanksgiving food baskets will be used to stock the forthcoming SGA-Truman College Food Pantry.

**Information Technology Seeks Input** – In an effort to provide ongoing, relevant technology integration offerings, the Truman Information Technology department is seeking input from the Truman community. A short online survey regarding I.T. on the Truman campus is available [here](#). Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts.

**Drop Clock & Payment Plan Terms** – A reminder regarding the drop schedule and payment plan schedule that has gone into effect for the start of Spring 2015 registration: If a student registered between Nov. 3 and Dec. 13, he/she will
have 10 calendar days to establish payment arrangements and/or finalize the financial aid process to avoid being dropped. Additionally, if a student wishes to use a payment plan to hold his/her classes, 10% of the student’s balance plus a $30 payment plan fee is required. Students should allow 48 hours for payments to process. More information is available at the “Ways to Pay” Web site.

**‘HAND WORK’ INAUGURATES TRUMAN’S NEW ART GALLERY WALL** – The Truman College Art Department has inaugurated an Art Gallery Wall inside the office of the Art, Humanities, and Foreign Languages Department. The new art space will be curated by the art department faculty, and will feature a rotation of work by students, faculty and community artists. Currently on display is an installation of photographic work about hands entitled “Hand Work” by Jan Wessels. The work will be on display through Wednesday, Nov. 19 and was coordinated by art professor Stephanie Roberts.

The images are photographic silhouettes or “cameos” of hands, made with a darkroom technique known as “photograms.” Photograms are shadow pictures of objects recorded directly on photographic paper without the use of camera or lens. The hands are presented in pairs performing simple playful gestures, symbolically portraying common human activity and communication.

Wessels is an adjunct instructor in the Truman College photography program. Recently retired, she worked in the Humanities/Art Department for many years as an instructor of photography, art/photo lab manager, and as coordinator of the Truman College Galleries and “Vision Photography Calendars.”

**TRANSFER CENTER FOCUSES ON HEALTH AND SCIENCE MAJORS** – Students planning to study in a number of health and science-related fields – including nursing, pharmacy, dentistry, medicine, chemistry, biology, public health, health sciences, kinesiology and physical therapy – will have several opportunities this month to take advantage of Truman Transfer Center events focusing on those areas:

- **Take a Stroll Through Health/Science Row**, Wednesday, Nov. 19, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cafeteria/Student Activities Center Foyer: Meet with representatives from the UIC College of Pharmacy, Health Sciences, Public Health, Nursing and Dentistry to learn how to prepare to transfer into a health/science program.

- **Future Nursing Majors Day**, Thursday, Nov. 20, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cafeteria/Student Activities Center Foyer: Meet with representatives from the UIC and North Park University RN-BSN programs.

- **Future Nursing Majors Free Lunch and Learn**, Thursday, Nov. 20, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Truman Transfer Center, room 1220A: Students interested in learning more about the nursing major are invited to enjoy a free lunch, compliments of North Park University, to learn more about the requirements and preparation needed to apply to a four-year nursing program. Students interested in participating in the lunch must RSVP in the Transfer Center by Tuesday, Nov. 18.

**UPCOMING TRUMAN TRANSFER CENTER FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITY VISITS & EVENTS** – For additional information, contact Chanel Bishop, Transfer Center Director, at 773.907.4724.

- **Illinois Institute of Technology, Northeastern Illinois University, and North Park University**: Tuesday, Nov. 11, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
• **University of Phoenix** and **National Louis University**: Wednesday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• **Northeastern Illinois University** and **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**: Wednesday, Nov. 13, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• **UIC Guaranteed Admission Program**: Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1 to 4 p.m.

• **Northern Illinois University**: Monday, Nov. 17, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**NOVEMBER COLLEGE TO CAREERS EVENTS AT TRUMAN**

• **Entrepreneurship Skills**, Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2 to 3:30 p.m., McKeon Building, Room 186: In this workshop, focus will be on ways to use entrepreneurship skills in school and the workforce and how to get started or grow as an entrepreneur.

• **Creative Thinking Skills**, Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2 to 3 p.m., McKeon Building, Room 186: Participants will learn how to work creatively with others through a range of experiential and fun techniques.

**ON OUR RADAR**

• **Open Enrollment** begins Monday, Nov. 10 and ends Tuesday, Nov. 25. If you are eligible for employee benefits, this is your annual opportunity to review them and make changes that will become effective January 1, 2015.

• **Truman Falcons vs. Sauk Valley Community College**, Dixon, Tuesday, Nov. 11, 7 p.m.

• **Truman College Open House**, Thursday, Nov. 13, noon to 2:30 p.m.

• **Truman’s Career Planning and Placement Center’s Fall 2014 Career Fair**, Monday, Nov. 17, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Cafeteria.

• **Truman Falcons vs. Highland Community College**, Dave Rowlands Sports Center, Tuesday, Nov. 11, 7 p.m.

• **Last Day for student initiated withdrawal from Fall term credit classes**, Monday, Nov. 17.

• **The Illinois Hunger Coalition** will be in the Cafeteria Foyer on Wednesday, Nov. 19, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., to help individuals apply for food stamps (SNAP/LINK Card).
• **Truman Falcons vs. Harper College**, Palatine, Thursday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m.
• **Truman Falcons vs. Wilbur Wright College**, Dave Rowlands Sports Center, Saturday, Nov. 22, 1 p.m.
• **Truman Falcons vs. Sauk Valley Community College**, Dave Rowlands Sports Center, Tuesday, Nov. 25, 7 p.m.
• **Truman College Blood Drive**, Wednesday, Dec. 23, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Cafeteria; donate blood and receive a free pair of zipper ear buds; 773.907.4830.

**WINTER BREAK & SPRING EXTENDED HOURS FOR STUDENT SERVICES ANNOUNCED** – The following is the announced schedule for Student Services — admissions, academic advising, testing center, registrar, adult education, College to Careers, business office, financial aid, tutoring centers, veteran services, Wellness Center and Disability Access Center — at Truman College during the upcoming winter break and into the Spring semester registration period:

- **Monday, Dec. 22 & Tuesday, Dec. 23** – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 24 thru Friday, Dec. 26** – Closed
- **Monday, Dec. 29 & Tuesday, Dec. 30** – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 31 & Thursday, Jan. 1** - Closed
- **Friday, Jan. 1** – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Monday, Jan 5 thru Thursday, Jan. 8** – 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Friday, Jan. 9** – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**STUDENT RESOURCES – A QUICK GUIDE** — Truman College is in your corner! We have specialized support services to help you succeed. What do you want to do?

Start off college strong
Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 118
Whether you are a prospective student looking for help with the application process or a current student looking to speak with an advisor, start college off strong with assistance from the student services team.

Visit an advisor to plan my classes
Advising Center//Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 118 (or make an appointment through GradesFirst!) Academic advisors are available to assist you with goal setting, registration, choosing a focus area, creating an education plan, selecting classes, reviewing semester maps, and applying for graduation.
ccc.edu/advising

Transfer to a 4-year college
Transfer Center//Main Building, Room 1220A (Wilson Avenue Lobby) The Transfer Center can help you transition to a four-year college including researching where you want to attend, learning about transferable courses, and applying for admission and transfer scholarships.
ccc.edu/transfer

Update your contact information or request an official transcript
Registrar’s Office//Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 135
The Registrar’s Office maintains student records and can help you update your contact information if you move or change phone numbers. The staff can also help you send your official transcript to other institutions or employers, processes credits earned at a non-CCC institution, and handles degree and enrollment verification requests (including student loan deferment requests).
Find a job or internship
Career Center // Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 162
The Career Centers can help you decide on a career and choose the best academic program to get you there. You can also learn how to complete a job application, create a resume and interview effectively to help you land a job or internship.
ccc.edu/careerservices

Get tutoring in a difficult subject
Tutoring Center, Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 177 // Writing Center, Main Building, Room 1435 // Math Center, Main Building, Room 1220B (Wilson Avenue Lobby) // CIS Lab, Main Building, Room LS67 // Foreign Language Lab, Main Building, Room 2100 // Critical Reading Center, Main Building, Room 2230
Tutoring Centers offer free tutoring and academic support services to assist students in achieving personal and academic success. One-on-one and group tutoring sessions are available.
ccc.edu/tutoring

Get help from a professor
Go to faculty office hours // See your class syllabi for locations and times

Find testing services
Testing Center, Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 136
The College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) gives students the opportunity to receive credit for knowledge previously acquired by earning qualifying scores on any of 30 examinations.
ccc.edu/services/Pages/CLEP-General Exam.aspx

Order books or supplies for class
Online through Akademos
ccc.edu/textbookx

Check out a library book
Cosgrove Library // Main Building, Lower Level
Your college library offers electronic, database, and print media to support the scholarly work of students, faculty, and staff as well as individual and group library and information literacy instruction.
ccc.edu/libraries

Ask a question about financial aid
Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 106
The Financial Aid Office works closely with students and families to provide financial assistance in the form of grants, loans and work-study from federal and state resources. For help filling out the FAFSA form, visit this office.
ccc.edu/financialaid

Learn about scholarship benefits
Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room 106
The Financial Aid Office works closely with students and families to provide financial assistance in the form of grants, loans and work-study from federal and state resources. To learn about scholarships, visit this office.
ccc.edu/services/Pages/CLEP-General Exam.aspx

Learn about veterans’ benefits
Veterners Center // Larry McKeon Student Services Building, Room S105
The Veterans Services Center provides access to veterans-specific resources, assistance with the transition from military to civilian life, information on VA benefits and credit transfer procedures, and a place to network with other veterans.
ccc.edu/veterans

Access service for students with disabilities
Disability Access Center // Main Building, Room 1435
The Disability Access Center provides coordination and supportive services for students with documented disabilities. CCC makes every effort to integrate students with disabilities into all courses and programs.
ccc.edu/dac

Succeed with TRiO
Main Building, Room 1435
The TRiO Programs are outreach and student services programs designed to identify and provide services for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. TRiO includes programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first-generation college students, and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to post-baccalaureate programs.
ccc.edu/departments/Pages/TRiO-Student-Success-Programs.aspx

Get help with a personal issue
Main Building, Room 1946
Wellness Centers offer personal and group counseling, stress and time management coaching, and referrals to community resources including low-cost medical/dental care, emergency housing, groceries, legal services and child care.
ccc.edu/wellnesscenter

Get a loaner laptop
Main Building, Room 3927
City Colleges of Chicago credit students who meet eligibility requirements may borrow a Windows laptop free of charge for up to four weeks. Laptops are issued on a first-come, first-served basis.
ccc.edu/brorrowalaptop

Exercise
Fitness Center // Dave Rowlands Sports Center
Go for a run, lift weights, or stretch out at our college fitness center.

Join a sport
Athletics // Main Building, Room 1220A
Athletics play an important role in student life at the City Colleges of Chicago. Many of our athletes have transferred their talents onto four-year college and university teams and others play intramurals for fun.
ccc.edu/athletics

Get involved in a club or hold an event
Student Activities Center // Main Building, Room 1623
Student clubs and organizations are an important part of student life at CCC. Student clubs provide an opportunity to socialize and learn new leadership skills with peers and advisors.
ccc.edu/sga
Find care for a pre-school aged child
Childcare Center//Main Building, Room 1128
The City Colleges of Chicago operates Child Development Laboratory Schools at five of the colleges, allowing students to take classes knowing their children are well cared for.
ccc.edu/trcdlc

Report a concern
President’s Office//Larry McKeon Student Services Building
Don’t be afraid to speak up if something should be changed. We want to hear from you.

Get help from security or report a safety concern
Main Building, Room 1440
Call: 773.907.4800 or 9-9-1-1 from any campus phone to reach Chicago Emergency Services.
ccc.edu/security

Keep up with the latest news and events at Truman
Main Building, room 1435

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www.facebook.com/trumancollege
• FOLLOW Truman College on Twitter: @trumancollege
• VISIT the Truman College events webpage:
ccc.edu/colleges/Truman/events/Pages/default.aspx
• VIEW the LCD message screens on campus
• READ the weekly TRUMAN NEWS

Use a Computer Lab
Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Lab, Main Building, room 2241
CTC Lab, Main Building, Room L112
CLEMS Lab, Main Building, Room 3186
CAD Lab, Main Building, Room L933
CIS Lab, Main Building, Room L567
Library, Main Building, Room L625
Truman College provides computer lab access for City Colleges of Chicago students. Check posted hours for each individual lab.

**NEWS DEADLINE** – The next issue of this newsletter will be published during the week of Nov. 17, 2014. The deadline for submitting or suggesting news items for that issue is **12 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 13, 2014**. Send submissions to Scott Brigham, Director of Public Relations. **Please note** – there will be no edition of TRUMAN NEWS the week of December 1, 2014. Truman College news is always breaking on social media: Like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter for the latest.