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Carmon Colangelo named first dean of Sam Fox School

By Lisa Otten

Carmon Colangelo, director of the Lamar Dodd School of Art at the University of Georgia, has been named the first dean of the Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts at Washington University.

"Carmon Colangelo is an accomplished artist and an experienced academic leader," Wrighton said. "In both capacities, he has demonstrated an exceptional ability to incorporate new concepts and new technologies alongside traditional art and design techniques. "His creativity and passion will help fulfill our vision of the Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts and realize its considerable potential." Formation of the Sam Fox School — which aspires to become a national model for the creation, study and exhibition of multidisciplinary and collaborative work — comes amidst a nearly $60 million campaign to improve campus arts facilities.

Plans include extensive renovations to existing facilities as well as new buildings designed by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Fumihiko Maki, both scheduled to open in fall 2006.

Colangelo's appointment — effective July 1 — follows from the work of an advisory committee chaired by Richard J. Smith, chancellor of the University of Chicago.

Meetings with the neighbors (From left) Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton chats with Rose Windmiller, director of state relations and local government affairs; Joe Edwards, owner and developer of numerous establishments in the Delmar Loop; and Lydia Kreusser, alderwoman for the 28th Ward in the city of St. Louis, following the annual "Report to the Neighbors Meeting" Nov. 1 in Uncas A. Whitaker Hall for Biomedical Engineering. During the meeting, Wrighton spoke about recent University events and activities, including the announcement of the McDonnell International Scholars Academy. Richard A. Roloff, vice chancellor, addressed current and future construction projects on campus, and a panel — including James E. McLeod, vice chancellor for students and dean of the College of Arts & Sciences; Steven P. Hoffner, vice president of Gandhi House; and John K. Klein, J.D., executive vice chancellor for administration — answered questions from the audience. Leah Merrifield, special assistant to the chancellor for diversity initiatives and recently director of community relations, moderated.

Corn genome to be sequenced by WUSTL center

By Michael C. Purdy

Genome Sequencing Center (GSC) researchers will begin sequencing the genome of maize, popularly known as corn.

"Maize is a very exciting genome, both in terms of the roles it has played in contemporary and historic plant genetics and because of its role in agriculture," said Richard K. Wilson, Ph.D., director of the GSC, professor of genetics and lead investigator on the project. "It's a top food source for humans and animals and a leading U.S. export." The maize genome is estimated to contain approximately twice as many genes — 50,000-60,000, while the human genome has about 26,000.

"By sequencing the maize genome we'll understand more about the evolution of plant genomes and more specifically the evolution of the genomes of cereals," said botanist Ralph S. Quatrano, Ph.D., the Spencer T. Olin Professor and chair of the Department of Biology in Arts & Sciences. "The maize genome is a critical piece of the puzzle for the development of the genomic sciences and the impact of new technologies on human health and agriculture."

"Sequencing will begin Dec. 1, with the first sequencing information to be made available online to the public starting in early 2006. Scientists estimate the project will take three years.

Colangelo to leave for Chicago

Carmon Colangelo, the first chancellor of Washington University's Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, is leaving the campus to become the chancellor of the University of Chicago.

"I have independently sought a new challenge, a new set of responsibilities and a new opportunity," Colangelo said in an announcement issued Tuesday.

"I believe that the time is right for me to pursue this new endeavor," he wrote in the statement. "I know that this venture will be a difficult one but I am convinced that it is the kind of leadership challenge that I have always sought to meet."

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Women's Society gift honors Ibby Danforth

By Barbara Rea

Enidbeth "Ibby" Danforth was such an important force in The Women's Society of Washington University (WSWU) that in 1995 the charitable organization renamed its scholarship fund the Elizabeth Gray Danforth Scholarship Endowment. The endowment, which has been steadily growing for nearly 30 years, recently received a major boost from the Danforth Foundation.

Upon her death March 30, the foundation gave a $100,000 gift to the fund, bringing the total to more than $2 million. "Ibby Danforth was truly one of the great citizens of Washington University and of St. Louis," noted Harriet K. Switzer, Ph.D., secretary to the Board of Trustees and University coordinator for WSWU. "Her leadership, inspiration and dedication have shaped the values and direction of the Women's Society."

"We are very grateful to the Danforth Foundation for a generous gift that benefits our students," Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton said. "Scholarship funds are essential to attracting the best students to Washington University, and over the years the Danforth Foundation has helped us make significant strides in growing our scholarship opportunities."

This special scholarship honors a great leader of Washington University and also strengthens our ties with the St. Louis community." The Elizabeth Gray Danforth Scholarship Fund is supported by membership dues and the proceeds from Bear Necessities, WSWU's store located on the Hilltop Campus.

The deadline for scholarship applications is March 15. Persons interested in transferring to Washington University may send inquiries to the Office of undergraduate Admissions.

"Both the Women's Society and our scholarship program mean a great deal to Ibby," said John Sandlin, president of WSWU. "She would have been delighted to know the Danforth Foundation is keeping the dream of a Washington University education alive for so many deserving students in our community."

Recipients are selected by a committee of representatives from the University and the Women's Society. In addition to academic excellence, the committee considers enthusiasm for learning, charity of goals, potential for leadership and dedication to community service.

This year, the dream came true for Shaleen Yousefi. An Iranian, Yousefi came to the United States four years ago to escape religious persecution. Arriving in St. Louis alone, speaking no English and knowing no one, he quickly learned the language and used his newly acquired skills to build an impressive academic and leadership record at Forest Park Community College.

This fall, he entered in WUSTL's School of Engineering and Applied Science. More than 600 people belong to WSWU, which was founded in 1965 to cultivate ambassadors for the University and provide service for students, faculty and staff.

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Social services...Children's Division conference here

By Jessica Martin

Members of the Missouri Department of Social Services' Children's Division (CD) will gather Dec. 1 with child welfare researchers from around the state to plan future research collaborations.

The conference in the University's Building Frame Lounge, hosted by the Center for Mental Health Services Research at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, will also provide an overview of ongoing research involving the Children's Division and the ways it makes use of the research to improve the well-being of Missouri children.

The 9-11 a.m. session of the conference is free and open to the public and will feature a presentation by Paula Neese, interim director of the Children's Division, and a keynote address by Mark Text, Ph.D., director of the Children and Family Research Center at the University of Illinois. Neese will provide an overview of the Children's Division's strengths, priorities and knowledge. The 1-3 p.m. session will focus on the current state of child welfare research nationally. For more information, go online to gweb.wustl.edu/seminars.html or call Sally Haywood, director of administration at the Center for Mental Health Services Research, at 935-5741.

Campus store sale Nov. 30

By Amy Clemden

It's a chance to show some pride, perhaps to win a prize or just get some early Christmas returns done.

The Campus Store in Mallincrodt Student Center is holding its annual Faculty & Staff Appreciation Sale, offering 30 percent off regular and sale-priced merchandise, along with the following exceptions: textbooks, software, professional reference materials, magazines, gift certificates, snack foods, cigarettes, film developing, postage stamps and parking permits.

Bill Lenihan will perform with his band from 4-7 p.m., and several prizes will be up for grabs. Discounts are available for lucky winners drawn from registered entries. These prizes include a $25 gift certificate to Schlafly Bottleworks; a $40 "Great Restaurants" gift certificate that can be used at Blue Water Grill, Big Sky, Remy's Kitchen and Wine Bar or Elbe Cellar; two tickets to the Chase Park Cinemas and Roman Art, by Nancy Ramage and Andrew Ramage. For more information, call 935-5580.

Symphony orchestra show Nov. 20

The Washington University Symphony Orchestra will be joined by Marissa Shields, winner of the Department of Music's annual Young Artist Piano Concerto Competition, for a performance at 7 p.m. Nov. 20 in Graham Chapel.

Dan Pergram, instrumental music coordinator in the Department of Music, conducts the 70-plus-member symphony orchestra.

Shields — a freshman at Marquette High School and a piano student of Martha Weiss — will perform as soloist for Piano Concerto in D Major by Franz Joseph Haydn. Also on the program will be "Outdoor Overbury" by Aaron Copland and the magnificent Kije Suite by Sergei Prokofiev.

The concert is dedicated to Sony Haydorn, a longtime lecturer in piano, who died Oct. 29 of complications from leukemia. A frequent clinician and jury member for area piano competitions, Haydorn inaugurated the Young Artist Piano Concerto Competition in 2001. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, call 935-4481 or e-mail staylor@ wustl.edu.

Winter weather information available

If a severe snow or ice storm causes the University to alter the normal work and/or class schedules, an announcement will be posted on the University's home page (wustl.edu), and a number of media outlets will air an announcement. Separate announcements will be made regarding the Hilltop Campus (includes all campuses other than the Medical Campus), evening-school classes and the Medical Campus, and will apply only to WUSTL students, faculty and staff.

Media outlets that air such announcements are KSDK-TV Channel 5, KMOV-TV Channel 4, KTVI-TV Channel 2, KGIN-TV Channel 30, KMOV-AM (1120) and WSIIE-FM (88.7).
Range of motion limits in pro pitchers

BY JIM DRYDEN

Now that the Chicago White Sox have swept the Boston Red Sox in the World Series, most baseball players are taking some time to rest. Time off is especially important for pitchers because throwing a baseball is an unnatural motion and a burden on the shoulder and the elbow.

The research team led by WVU sports medicine specialists has found that professional pitchers have significantly decreased range of motion in their throwing elbows.

The team has published a study of 33 professional baseball pitchers in the October issue of the American Journal of Sports Medicine. Trainers and team managers measured the pitchers’ ability to bend, straighten and rotate their elbows and found that range of motion in the dominant elbow was limited when compared to the other arm.

According to the pitcher, there had been an 8 degree loss of the ability to straighten their elbow when compared to the elbow in their non-dominant arm," said first author Rick W. Wright, M.D., assistant professor of orthopaedic surgery and co-director of the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery at the School of Medicine and Barrow’s Hospital.

"The good news is that they lose range of motion, we’ve been able to show that there’s a functional impact."

The pitchers in the study not only couldn’t straighten their arm as far, called extension, they also had trouble bending the arm, a flexion movement. The dominant elbow bent about 5 degrees less than the elbow on the other arm.

But the study found no significant difference in the ability of the elbow to rotate (supination and pronation).

"Many individuals with low vision are doing well in terms of their overall physical health," said Monica Perlmutter, an occupational therapist at the School of Medicine. "But problems arise when low vision is associated with increased depth of steps, pay bills or distinguish between one floor and another on a plane."

Nearly 4 million adults 65 and older have visual impairments severe enough to interfere with daily activities. Macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, age-related cataracts and glaucoma are leading causes of low vision.

As part of the Occupational Therapy home and Community Home Services program, Perlmutter — armed with a notepad and light meter — arrives for home visits ready to assess the environment to maximize vision and safety.

The first visit, which usually lasts an hour, includes a structured interview to determine what is important to the individual. The home environment is also checked for accessibility, lighting and safety.

"Finding markers that can help us identify patients prior to symptoms is really our big push now," said Perlmutter. "With colleagues Mark Minton, M.D., professor of radiology, and David Holtzman, M.D., the Andrew B. and Gereen P. Professor and head of the Department of Neurology, we studied a group of 24 people that included individuals diagnosed with very mild and mild Alzheimer’s disease, and cognitively normal subjects.

"As expected, in patients with cognitive impairments that are attributable to Alzheimer’s disease, researchers found low CSF levels of another form of A-beta and A-beta 42, the principal ingredient of the brain plaques that are characteristic of Alzheimer’s disease. In the same individuals, brain scans with a new imaging agent that reveals the presence of amyloid plaques in the brain were positive.

"What scientists didn’t anticipate was that there was a good correlation in subjects that did not have Alzheimer’s disease. In patients with normal cognitive function, the brain plaques that are characteristic of Alzheimer’s disease were not found. But the study found a significant decrease in the amount of A-beta 42 that A-beta 42 that is normally produced in the brain, and researchers suspect that the severity of Alzheimer’s disease may be linked to breakdown of the processes that degrade or normally clear A-beta 42 from the brain via the CSF the blood stream."

"This level drops in Alzheimer’s disease." Fagan said. "When I realized that everyone who was PIB positive also had lower CSF A-beta 42 levels, I had one of those ‘aha’ moments that makes it so exciting to be a scientist," Fagan said.

Other CSF factors, such as levels of another form of A-beta and a molecule found in the brain cell tangles created by Alzheimer’s disease, did not correlate with positive PIB scan results.

"The hope is that 10-20 years from now, we’ll give people a PIB scan, draw and analyze their CSF, and combine with that other factors to get a global score for their personal risk of Alzheimer’s disease," Fagan said.

"We have disease-modifying treatments on the way to clinical trials right now, and tests that can help us detect Alzheimer’s earlier will both help us put those treatments to better use and assess the results they produce in patients."
Concrete, but no Ted Drewes were here Architecture student Fernando Castro-Carrión combined computer modeling with a physical design/build studio led by Carl Safe (far left), professor of Architecture in the Sam Fox School of Design/Build, to create a luxury high-rise building concept for the Delmar Loop. The project— which began construction Nov. 9— comes as part of a mixed-use development project that also includes the 33-story 1500 Delmar tower, as designed by SpieRhe mum & Partners. The design/build studio led by Carl Safe (far left), professor of Architecture in the Sam Fox School of Design/Build, was led by architecture student Fernando Castro-Carrión (right) and featured as part of a mixed-use development project that also includes the 33-story 1500 Delmar tower, as designed by SpieRhe mum & Partners. The project— which began construction Nov. 9— comes as part of a mixed-use development project that also includes the 33-story 1500 Delmar tower, as designed by SpieRhe mum & Partners.

Exhibits


Film

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6 to 8:30 p.m. Travel Lecture Series...Visit Dongho and Liolle. Sandy Mortimer, dir. of Art, 935-5115.

Saturday, Nov. 19
All Day: Basketball. 3 p.m. Women's basketball vs. Co-Collage, WUSTL. Tip-off Tournament. Continued 2:55 p.m. 935-4705.

Tuesday, Nov. 29
7:30 p.m. Anki/Poster Series. Date To Be Announced. Sponsored by WUSTL. 935-5115.

Wednesday, Nov. 30
5:30 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. U. of Dallas. Continued 6:30 p.m. 935-4705.

Thursday, Dec. 1
6 to 8 p.m. Networking Event. To Be Announced. Sponsored by WUSTL. 935-5115.

Friday, Nov. 18
6:35 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Center for the Application of Information Technology Workshops. 8:30 a.m.—6 p.m. Continuing Education Center. 362-4829.

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Women runners win 2nd regional crown

The No. 4 women's cross country team claimed its second NCAA Midwest Region championship Nov. 12 in Peoria, Ill., advancing to the NCAA Championship meet Nov. 19. The women also claimed the regional champi-
onship in 2002.

WUSTL's men finished sixth at regionals, led by senior Brennan Bonner and junior Kevin Gale each receiving All-Region honors. The NCAA meet with their top-20 finish

The men, led by seven All-Region Team members, claimed their second title with 70 points. No. 3 University of Wisconsin-La Crosse took second with 49 points. The men finished sixth with 163 points, while No. 2 University of Wisconsin-La Crosse claimed the title with 42 points.

All seven WUSTL women's runners finished in the top 35. Junior Herdman represented the lone top-10 finisher with a sixth-place finish. Senior Stephanie Fels (15th), sophomore Tyler Maukin (15th), junior Lindsay Harkema (19th) and sophomore Ken Fre-
tak (20th) rounded out the scor-
ing. Senior Andrew McAndrew (29th) and sophomore Amy Le-
vine (34th) also earned all-region honors.

Bonner crossed the finish line in eighth place, while Gale fin-
dished 20th.

Volleyball team wins regionals

The No. 5 volleyball team won the NCAA Central Region Cham-
pionship Nov. 11-12. WUSTL defeated Valparaiso 3-0 in the semi-
finals and Drury 3-0 in the title.

Sophomore middle hitter Emilie Walker tallied 12 kills and seven blocks, while junior right attacker Whitney Smith posted a match-high 14 kills. Sophomore outside hitter Haleigh Spencer posted 10 kills and 14 digs, while senior setter Kara Liefde added six kills, 11 digs and 38 assists.

The Bears played the Univer-
sity of La Verne in the NCAA quarterfinals Nov. 17. Results were not available at press time.

Volleyball has five named All-America

Five volleyball players were named to the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) All-America Team, as announced by the AVCA.

The five total citations program the highest number in a single season (also achieved in 1992).

Seniors Megan Houch and Lieve-
er were each named to the first team.

Houch earned first-team honors for the first time (she earned third team accolades last season). Liefde, a three-time (two first-
team nods) AVCA All-America selection, leads the US in assists per game (11.92).

Smith was named to the second team as a dominant force on the right side. Smith, a first-team all-
Central Region honoree, has a season-high 354 kills (5.44 per game) and is hitting .381. Spen-
er earned third-team honors. Walk garnered honorable

with the win, Washington U.
caps the season with a 6-4 overall record and clinches its 13thstraight winning season. The Bears scored 35 unan-
swered points after trailing 24-7
with 10:34 left in the second quarter. Washington U. defense held the Panthers to 72 points on 30-of-59 passing. Junior quarterback Nick Hen-
ry threw for a career-high 357 yards with four touchdowns. Junior running back Donald Jenkins led the ground attack with 22 carries for 74 yards and two touchdowns.

Swimmers, divers finish middle of pack

The men's swimming and diving team took third and the women placed fourth at the University of Chicago Maronic Invitational on Nov. 11-12 in the Windy City. The WUSTL men won six events, led by senior Eric Triebel, who won the 50-yard freestyle. He also helped the 200-medley and 400-free relay squads to first place. Freshman Kevin Lecot won the 400-yard individual medley, while sophomore Ross Virm won the 200 freestyle. Freshman Julian Biese also took home the 200-butterfly breaststroke title.

The Bears women won eight events, including the 200 medley relay by sophomore Meredith Nerdrock, who won the 100 backstroke: the 200 medley, 100 back, 100 butterfly, 50 freestyle, her 100 free in the last four years to make me a better player," the team co-
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On the Web

For complete sports schedules and results, go to bearsports.wustl.edu.

Sports

Bears receiver Duesing puts elation point on career

BY CHRIS MITCHELL

Bears senior wide receiver Brad Duesing entered his name into the NCAA rec-

paper book Nov. 12. With school-record 15 catches for 181 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Bears to a 42-24 season-finale win at Greenville College.

With that performance, Duesing eclipsed 1,000 receiv-
yards for a fourth consecu-
tive season, becoming the second player in NCAA history — Division I, II or III — to record four consecutive 1,000-
yard receiving seasons. Mark Bari-
toico (2005-09) of Susque-
hanna University was the first to achieve the feat.

"It's a great accomplish-
ment, and it really ranks high in y et," Duesing said. "It's still hard to believe that I accom-
ished an achievement like that. I never imagined some-
things like this happening com-
ing in as a freshman."

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Fiction writer Heim to read for Writing Program Reading Series

Fiction writer Scott Heim will read from his work at 8 p.m. Dec. 1 in Hunt Lounge, Duderack Hall, Room 201, for the Writing Program Reading Series.

Heim is the author of the novel Mysterious Skye (1995), recently adapted to film by director Greg Araki. The story is set in the small town of Hutchinson, Kan., where two boys on the same Little League team unknowingly share struggles and obsession — sex, loyalty, first love and aliens — that direct their adolescent lives.

The novel has received widespread critical acclaim. Scott Heim paints a devastating portrait of a new lost generation. "Mysterious Skye will absolutely en-

Heim's other books include the novel in Blue (1997), winner of the Firecracker Alternative Book Award for fiction; and a collection of poetry, Speak From Drowning (1993). Heim is working on a third novel, If We Dis-
appear.

His writing has appeared in The Village Voice, The Advocate, Paper and numerous anthologies. He also is the founder of a fellowship from the London Arts Board and a Sundance Screenwriters Lab fellowship for his adaptation of Mysterious Skye.

Born in Hutchinson, Heim earned bachelor's degrees in English and in history at the University of Kansas. He earned a master of fine arts degree in creative writing from Columbia University.

The reading is free and open to the public. For more information, call 935-7130.
**Teeth**

*Data from them has potential "impact."

> "My whole point was to take an isolated tooth and figure out whether it belonged to a bird."
> — Smith, said.

> "The questions I'm interested in right now is, 'What's the best way to get this thing out?'" I'm interested in taking a tooth and getting the most possible information out of it.

**Teeth as hard identifiers**

People like teeth. The same mineral that will soon help us chew our way to Thanksgiving lunch allows paleontologists like Smith to study a time period so far removed from our own that traces of bones and enamel are among the only clues to the past. Mesozoic-aged dinosaurs, living between 255 million and 66 million years ago, are referred to as polyphodont animals because of their long sets and rows of teeth. These teeth present tremendous opportunities for orotologists trying to determine the past. The questions I'm interested in right now is, 'What's the best way to get this thing out?' I'm interested in taking a tooth and getting the most possible information out of it.

**Campus Watch**

The following incidents were reported to University Police Nov. 8-15. Readers with information that could assist in investigating these incidents are urged to contact the police at 935-6676. This information is provided in a public service to promote safety awareness and is available on the University Police Web site at police.wustl.edu.

**Nov. 12**

7:10 p.m. — A person's vehicle was burglarized in Hearn Tower. Two men, wearing white shirts and carrying knives, broke into the car. They took approximately $200 in cash and a wristwatch.

**Nov. 15**

6:35 p.m. — A person stated that her purse was stolen from her desk in the Student Center. She reported a charge made on her credit card without her permission.

**Genome**

**Maize cultivar B73 to be sequenced from Page 9**

> "In DNA, while studying maize in the J. Craig Venter Institute. Transgression are essential to allowing a genome to evolve and develop new functions," Wilson said. "Much of what we understand about the maize genome structure and evolution we have learned from the work of McClintock and people who followed her."

> Wilson noted that St. Louis has a rich tradition of leadership in agriculture and botanical research, including the headquarters of Monsanto Corp., the Missouri Botanical Garden and the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center. The University's Division of Biological and Biomedical Sciences includes a graduate program in plant biology with connections to the botanical garden and the Danforth Center. The University's "is a contribution to agriculture from come to the St. Louis community," said Robert Eckmann, an agriculture professor and head of the School of Agriculture and a member of the Danforth Center.

Colangelo said. "This new structure presents tremendous opportunities for collaborative research and to become an international center for agriculture research, education, and awareness. The challenge is to make sure the real potential and potential are extraordinary."

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The current dean of Architecture and Art will report to Colangelo, who in turn will report directly to Wrighton. In addition, the school will create a School Executive Committee, comprising the deans of Architecture and Art; the director of the Kemper Art Museum; and leaders of the Department of History & Archaeology in Arts & Sciences.

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Correction

Nov. 11, Issue: Page 7: In an "Of note" item about a four-year, $729,000 information technology research grant from the National Science Foundation to an incorrect institution of affiliation was published with Mark A. Franklin, Ph.D. He is the Henry F. and Wadie H. Chamoun Professor of Engineering in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Washington University.

Nov. 11, Issue: Page 8: A laburem surgery patient was misidentified in a photo caption. Her name is Dominique Davis.

The Record regrets the errors.
Fatemeh Keshavarz, Ph.D., associate professor of Persian and of comparative literature, both in Arts & Sciences, poetry is much more than an academic discipline. It is a profoundly personal experience that connects not only the poet and the reader but the entire human race to their innermost selves. Through poetry, we can participate in the creation of a world that comes into existence during our reading. The magic of poetry is not only presented to us, but partially performed by us.

As chair of the Department of Asian and Near Eastern Languages & Literatures in Arts & Sciences, she invites students and scholars to explore a mosaic of words and meanings that is as colorful and varied as the cultures, ethnicities and languages taught in the department. Despite nearly two decades here in St. Louis, she continues to draw on lessons learned as a child in Shiraz, the southwestern Iranian city where she was born and raised.

"All across Iran, especially in Shiraz, the lives of ordinary people revolve around love of poetry and storytelling," Keshavarz says. "Where I grew up, poets don't live just on paper; they become a structural influence in your life."

Shiraz has always been a cultural center. Known for lush rose gardens and groves of citrus and cypress trees, it was home to two of Islam's greatest poets: Hafez (1324-91) and Saadi (1209-91). "Where I grew up, poets don't live just on paper; they become a structural influence in your life," Keshavarz says. "They have devoted themselves to writing and sharing poetry, and re-envisioning of self."

"As a family, we use the experiences of mystic poets from various traditions to examine significant issues addressed by different cultures, different times," she says. "Comparative literature offers a great focal point for examining these issues."

In her course "Lyrics of Mystical Love: East and West," Keshavarz explores the spiritual journey that mystic poets from different traditions bring to the same abstract concepts as they share the struggle to express the inexpressible.

"In some ways, the concept of silence has a connotation of emptiness and loneliness; however, it conveys serenity or anticipation," the 12th-century Persian poet Rumi has a lot to offer on silence, but the discussion gets much richer when we bring in the views of a 20th-century writer, such as Thomas Merton, with a totally different perspective on silence."