

# KUDOS & CELEBRATIONS

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES  
2023

OCTOBER

## CONGRATULATIONS FOR ALL YOUR WORK IN OCTOBER!



PRSSA members **Kendra Gregory, Elizabeth "Liz" Davis, Steven Flowers, Mary D'Haeze, Khalil Johnson, and Josie King**, accompanied by **Sakshi Bhati**, attended the 2023 PRSA ICON convention in Nashville, TN.

**Sean Maulding**, working with the faculty advisor **K Allison Hammer** (WGSS), has created a new journal hosted through OpenSIUC. *Deliberately Queer: An Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies Journal* will begin soliciting submission by early next year.

**Alicia Utecht** has been accepted to present her paper titled "Earth's Mightiest Father" at the *2024 International Symposium on Autoethnography and Narrative*

**Janine Armstrong** was invited to talk at Rend Lake College for their DEIC/LGBTQIA+ History Month/Diversity Week. Her talk was "Empowering Ourselves and Others: Intersectionality at its Best."



Students Frankie Kimmell, Zoë Freedkin, Mary D'Haeze, and Bloom Williams enjoying Hello-ween/Comm Studies Day!



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## KUDOS TO OUR TALENTED FACULTY!

On Sept 28-Oct 1, **Jonny Gray** convened *Gay Spirit Visions 34th annual fall conference*, "Queer Bodies/Gay Spirit," with Tim Miller as the keynote speaker and workshop leader.

On October 12-15, **Jonny Gray** and **Rebecca Walker** took students and a production of "To Move Mountains" to the *Petit Jean Performance Festival*.

**Nilanjana Bardhan** gave a guest lecture to UNIV 101 as part of the CoLA 101 pilot program.

Thanks to everyone who helped make Hello-ween/Comm Studies Day a success!

## IMPORTANT DATES

**November 15-19:** NCA Conference (National Harbor, MD)

**November 20-24:** Thanksgiving break

**November 30-December 2:** 8:00 PM, Grounded, Kleinau

**Friday, December 1:** 10:00-12:00, SSB 150/160, online teaching development

**Thursday, December 7:** Performance Course Spotlight Hour, 8:00 PM, Kleinau

**December 11-15:** finals week

**December 13:** 11:00, December graduates recognition ceremony, Kleinau

**December 13:** 11:30-1:30, CMST Holiday Potluck, CMST lobby area

**December 16:** 10:00 AM, Commencement, Banterra Center

