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## Seminar Calendar

# MONDAY, JANUARY 11

Molecular Plant Science Seminars

Josh Michener, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

"Metabolic engineering of non-model bacteria for valorization of hemicellulose and lignin"

4:00 PM

Zoom link (Passcode: 941910)

# TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

<u>The Exchange</u> – (Science discussion for BMB graduate students) 8:00 AM

Email David (arnosti@msu.edu) for the Zoom link and password

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

### **BMB Seminar Series**

Laura-Isobel McCall, University of Oklahoma

"Bringing a spatial perspective to LC-MS/MS-based metabolomics: chemical cartography of host-microbe interactions to guide drug development"

11:00 AM

Email Ashley (clarkas@msu.edu) for the Zoom link

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

#### **Plant Biology Seminar Series**

Brook Moyers, University of Massachusetts Boston 3:30 PM

Email Chasidy (perezch2@msu.edu) for the Zoom link

## **Announcements**

Know a student interested in research opportunities as an undergraduate? Make sure they attend a virtual information session from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Jan. 14, 2021. Registration is required.

Learn more

The MSU Research Facilitation Network has two new resources for MSU researchers: the Research Technology and Support Service Catalog, and a related Research Consulting service.

# **Noteworthy News**



Please join me in congratulating Beronda Montgomery, who was one of five individuals nominated by the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) as a 2020 Science Defender. She was cited for her "incredibly important work . . . to ensure that science benefits the common good."

Montgomery is specifically recognized for her work as the co-organizer of the first Black Botanists Week, which was held July 6 – 11. The goal of Black Botanists Week is to "promote, encourage, create a safe space for, and find more Black people (and BIPOC) who love plants." Because of its success, Montgomery and her colleagues are collaborating with Holden Forest and Gardens in Ohio for a year-long lecture series, "Growing Black Roots: A Black Botanical Legacy," and are already planning for the 2021 Black Botanists Week.

Click <u>here</u> for more information about this prestigious award.

# SPARTANS WILL.

The Research Technology and Support Service Catalog can be found at <u>this link</u>, and is a place to search for technology and services that will facilitate your research needs. The Research Consulting service is intended to help researchers who either can't find the tool, service, or technical collaboration that they are looking for or who have complex needs. Here is <u>the form</u> to request a meeting with a Research Consultant.

The MSU Broad is proud to present Seeds of Resistance, on view Jan. 15 - July 18. This exhibition draws attention to the long history of plant and human interdependence by exploring the ways in which seeds encode and preserve not only genetic information, but also cultural heritage and knowledge. Read more

You are invited on Friday, January 22, 2021 (9:00AM-12:00 Noon) for an important summit, "When They See Us: Experiences of MSU Black Male Students." Inspired by NCORE's (The National Conference on Race & Ethnicity) webinar, "When They See Us: Experiences of Black Males Navigating Historically White Institutions," this summit centers on the experiences of Black men-identified students attending Michigan State University. Register <a href="here">here</a>.

## **Recent Publications**

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Oliver J, Fan M, McKinley B, Zemelis-Durfee S, Brandizzi F, Wilkerson C, Mullet JE. "The AGCVIII kinase Dw2 modulates cell proliferation, endomembrane trafficking, and MLG/xylan cell wall localization in elongating stem internodes of Sorghum bicolor." *Plant Journal*. Volume 104. December 2020.

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