



STUDENTS PRODUCE COFFEE TABLE BOOK ON SHAWNEE FOREST

The School of Journalism published the volume as the [second installment](#) in a multi-media report series.

CINEMA & PHOTOGRAPHY

[Josh Denmark Wins Billboard/PDN Year in Music Moment Photography Contest](#)

JOURNALISM

["A Weekend in Murphysboro" Photojournalism Web Project Captures Local Flavor](#)



RADIO-TELEVISION

[Salukis Take Home Four First Place Silver Dome Awards among Other Honors](#)



GRADUATE PROGRAM

[MFA Paul Cotter Wins Best Director at Savannah Film Festival for "Bomber"](#)

BEST REPORTER

Phil Farrar Honored for Radio-Sports Reporting by National Association of Black Journalists (see [full story](#))



MCMA Alumni E-Newsletter

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Recent MCMA Graduates Make a Splash in Industry

After landing an externship at CMT, Kahla Holtz-Fazzini impressed her Nashville hosts so much that they encouraged her to apply for an internship. Kahla then did what many graduates of MCMA do, especially those students who take advantage of the professional development workshops offered by our College. She turned the internship into a job and has been working at CMT as a production assistant on the program "Insider." This early success after graduation is one of numerous stories from our alumni who keep in touch with the College.



Other recent graduates have found positions a little farther afield from Carbondale. Zlatko Filipovic, former executive producer for River Region Evening Edition, landed in Waco, Texas, at KXXV-TV News as a multimedia news producer. Zach Stebbins and Luke Rafalowski, both students who participated in the Hollywood Studies Program for their summer internship, worked on "Find my Family" this past fall.

Sarah Vorhees interned at Paragon Studios and several months later accepted an assistant engineer position with the company. A year later, she has gained experience in sound design, editorial, and even acting for character voices. She is caught in the photo with fellow alum Andy Youssi while working on "Legends & Lyrics" that premiered on PBS.



To see more reports on recent alumni, or to add your own story, visit the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts Facebook page and check the discussion board.

WSIU GARNERS NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Petrowich Appointed to National Board, Harvey Presents at National Symposium

Greg Petrowich, Executive Director of WSIU Public Broadcasting and a 1991 alumnus of SIUC's R-T program, has been appointed to the Board of Directors for National Public Radio (NPR) for FY 2010. The board sets the policies and overall priorities of NPR management, monitors its performance, and provides financial oversight. Petrowich is one of the youngest Authorized Representatives to join the Board. Also, Terry Harvey, Associate Director - Technology & Planning, presented a paper on 16 x 9 standard definition broadcasting at the 59th Broadcast Symposium of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers in Alexandria, Virginia.

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