



FULTON SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS

Kim Paints Official Portrait of Maryland First Lady Yumi Hogan

SU Professor of Art Jinchul Kim knew Yumi Hogan well before she became the First Lady of Maryland. The two artists traveled in the same circles, including the Han-Mee Artists Association of Greater Washington for Korean American artists, and have displayed their work together.

When Hogan chose Kim for her official portrait it meant more to him than some of his other works, as it gave him the opportunity to capture a friend on canvas. The First Lady visited Kim's studio on several occasions throughout the process, which was completed early in 2021. She has said that when she comes to the Eastern Shore, the geography and agriculture of the chicken farms and corn fields remind her of the town in which she grew up in Korea.

The portrait of Hogan and that of her husband, Governor Larry Hogan (painted by artist Cedric Ege), were unveiled at the Government House in Annapolis. The Foundation for the Preservation of Government House of Maryland, Inc. commissioned the official portrait, which is part of the state's art collection.

REACH Ethics Initiative Earns \$146,000 NEH Grant

The Re-Envisioning Ethics Access and Community Humanities (REACH) program at SU received a \$146,322 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Humanities Connections program. The funding will help the initiative, a collaboration involving Philosophy, Psychology and Biological Sciences departments, to bring aspects of ethical practice into all disciplines across campus. The grant will support three years' worth of programming around community-based ethics education.

Drs. Michèle Schlehofer (Psychology), Timothy Stock (Philosophy) and Jennifer Nyland (Biological Sciences)

received the grant after several years serving as co-directors of REACH. The initiative began in 2018, when Schlehofer and Stock realized how much overlap there was between their disciplines in terms of the importance of ethical concerns. The pandemic demonstrated how ethics affects nearly all aspects of life and provided a new context for biomedical research to establish ethics and social responsibility as a primary concern.

REACH develops methods to connect community partners with SU and to return campus conversations around ethical issues to the community. The NEH grant aims to blend humanities disciplines – ethics, in SU's case – into different academic settings, in particular the STEM disciplines. Funds will support "Ethics Across the Curriculum," a program that will help train faculty in how ethics can be interwoven in their classes.

Ethics Bowl Team Finishes 12th at National Competition

SU students went toe-to-toe intellectually with the likes of Tufts, Yale and the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics' Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl.

The 2022 season was another successful one for the Ethics Bowl team, as SU's squad advanced to the national championship for the third time in 11 years, posting a record of 2-1-1 and finishing 12th in the standings – the best finish in SU's history. Hundreds of teams competed across regional match-ups, but only 36 teams qualified for the national championship. All eight of the team members were participating on the SU Ethics Bowl team for the first time.