

Group Chooses Senior Class Gift Artist

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The senior class gift committee has selected Korean artist Do-Ho Suh to sculpt its vision for the Unsung Founders Memorial into a reality.

Suh, who is internationally known for his works of public art, was chosen from a pool of 11 candidates who presented their work to the gift committee.

Senior Class Gift Chairwoman Reida Lawrence said Suh's interview on cam-

pus in February revealed that he is right for the job. "We were very impressed with him getting a feel for the University so quickly," Lawrence said. "He is going to create something very, very powerful for the University."

The gift committee has commissioned Suh to design and create the Unsung Founders Memorial, a work of public art that will honor the men and women of color who helped physically build the University campus.

The memorial was one of three

senior class gift ideas proposed by the class officers and marshals.

A majority of seniors voted to have the memorial erected as their gift.

Lawrence said the gift committee will be in contact with Suh during the next few months to discuss the concept and design of the memorial.

She said she hopes that work will start on the project in the fall and that it will be finished by summer 2003.

"He is an extremely busy and fairly sought-after artist," Lawrence said.

"We were lucky he even took time to interview and accept the job."

Lawrence said that a location has not yet been selected to build the memorial and that the senior class is still working to raise another \$15,000 for the gift, which has a projected total cost of \$80,000.

In the meantime, a sample of Suh's work is on display at the Ackland Art Museum until April 7.

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Developments in the War on Terrorism

1,800 Killed in Afghan Earthquake

An earthquake devastated mountain villages in northern Afghanistan on Tuesday, where officials estimated at least 1,800 people died and thousands more were injured in a region already hard-hit by hunger, drought and war.



U.S. Forces Watching Eastern Afghanistan

American forces are closely watching volatile eastern Afghanistan without a clear picture of how many al-Qaida and Taliban are hiding there or what they're up to, defense officials said Tuesday.

FBI: Va. Men Planned Israel Attack

Two Virginia men under federal investigation for possible ties to terrorist groups were denied entry to Israel in December after one was found carrying a letter the FBI believes indicated plans to commit a suicide attack there, according to sworn court papers.

UW System Repeals Admissions Stop

Wisconsin officials assured the system that it will not have to face an additional \$21.8 million in budget cuts.

By NATHAN COLETTA
Staff Writer

The University of Wisconsin-system Board of Regents reversed last week its earlier decision to suspend undergraduate enrollment because of budget cuts.

The board had voted March 15 to stop accepting additional applicants while still admitting incoming freshmen who had already received acceptance letters.

The vote was in response to a Wisconsin State Assembly Joint Committee on Finance proposal requiring the system to make an additional \$21.8 million in budget cuts.

The cuts came shortly after the legis-

lature had already voted to cut \$51 million from the system's budget.

UW-system Board of Regents President Jay Smith said that when the additional cuts were announced, the board decided that expanding enrollment on the 26 Wisconsin campuses was unrealistic.

"We determined that the universities were over-enrolling based on the amount of funding that might be available," he said.

Smith said the system already had about 124,000 students enrolled and only about 8,100 openings remained for the next academic year.

After presenting its position to state officials, the Board of Regents received assurances from Gov. Scott McCallum and the Democratic Senate majority that the university system will not endure the massive budget cuts.

The Wisconsin State Assembly is scheduled to begin amending the state budget next week.

The reworking of the state budget is expected to ensure that the university system has to withstand only the original \$51 million in budget cuts but not the additional \$21.8 million.

Smith said the assurances were enough for the board to reverse its earlier decision. "We can take a \$51 million reduction and reduce some of the services provided without reducing enrollment," he said. "Based on the assurances we received, we decided to lift the suspension."

Smith also said that surprisingly, the board did not receive an overwhelming negative response from the public with its original decision to suspend admission to the system.

But he said board members did hear from some of the students vying for the 8,100 openings because they wanted to be able to enroll in classes for the fall semester.

Democratic Rep. Larry Balow, a member of the legislative Committee on Colleges and Universities, said the board's decision to suspend enrollment showed the board had gained too much power in recent years.

But Balow said the reversal was a step in the right direction, adding that he now knows that power is concentrated in the right hands.

"The board knows the state's education budget better than anyone else, so allowing them additional powers was the right move," he said. "The promise by the Senate to look closer at the budget allowed the board to lift the suspension."

"I think the board did the right thing."

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Architects Present Renovation Ideas For Arts Common on North Campus

By RACHEL CLARKE
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The architects designing the fine arts portion of the University's Master Plan presented possible North Campus renovation ideas to the Arts Common Planning Committee on Tuesday.

Architects Duncan Hazard and Peter Mullan from the firm Polshek Partnership gave the 24-member committee an overview of potential changes on the northwest corner of campus known as the Arts Common. Committee members include students, local merchants and faculty from the Department of Art, the Department of Music and the Communication Studies Department.

The presentation summarized the needs of the fine arts departments, including additional teaching labs, classroom space, storage space and faculty offices.

"In the arts departments, they don't have typical classrooms," said architect Ashley McClaran. The preliminary plans include large increases in the spaces for art studios, music rehearsal

halls and communications production areas. "That's just something that these departments need," McClaran said.

The renovations are just one segment of the University's Master Plan, a 50-year blueprint for campus growth. This committee is focusing on the section of campus between Cameron Avenue and Franklin Street and from South Columbia Street to the edge of McCorkle Place, as well as Playmakers Theatre and Gerrard Hall. This is the sixth week of the project's planning stage, which will take about 48 weeks, Hazard said.

Specific proposals under consideration include doubling the gallery space in the Ackland Art Museum and creating on-campus rooms for beginning studio art classes, which are now taught at the art lab on Airport Road. Mullan said the lab's current location might prevent students from taking those classes.

The plans also include renovations and additions to the music department. "Hill Hall is not particularly suited for music instruction or performance," Mullan said. He said many music classrooms are over-

booked because they double as rehearsal spaces. "We're talking about creating some dedicated rehearsal spaces, which will free up some classrooms," he said.

Mullan said a plan to combine the music and art libraries has received almost universal support and will allow both departments to improve services.

The meeting ended with a short presentation by Dennis McGlade, a landscape architect from the Olin Partnership, who detailed ways to incorporate the renovations into the landscape. "We hope to retain most of the large trees - they, in a marvelous way, most artistically confuse the eye in a way the everyone finds pleasant," he said.

In late April, the committee plans to set up a table in the Pit with more information and to hold a meeting for students to comment on the plans, officials said.

McClaran emphasized that these plans are very preliminary. "These are still really loose numbers."

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11 a.m. - The Orange County Chapter of the American Red Cross is hosting a blood drive at Kenan-Flagler Business School sponsored by the **business school** until 3:30 p.m. It will be the last drive for the Points for Pints competition.

11 a.m. - The **Carolina Union Activities Board** is hosting "Journey Around the World: 15 Belief Systems," a religious fair. It will take place in the Pit until 2 p.m.

3 p.m. - **Carolina Garden Cooperative** will be breaking ground on our student vegetable garden. Come at 3 p.m. or anytime after and help out

with the fastest-growing club on campus. The site is located behind Kenan Residence Hall on Battle Street at the intersection of Battle and Senlac, next to the Baptist Student Union. Hope to see you there. Contact formoff@email.unc.edu for details.

3:30 p.m. - Come to "Gender or Sex, Who Cares?" a workshop sponsored by the **Center for Healthy Student Behaviors, IPAS** and the **Carolina Women's Center**. It will take place until 5 p.m. in Union 211.

5 p.m. - The **Management & Society Student Association** will be meeting in 150 Hamilton Hall. Officers for next year will be chosen. E-mail Jennifer Morgan at ffagal@hotmail.com for more details. Refreshments will be provided.

6 p.m. - The Wesley Foundation will

host dinner and a worship service at the Wesley Foundation on 214 Pittsboro St., across from the Carolina Inn parking lot.

6:30 p.m. - The **UNC United Nations Organization** invites you to learn about international jobs, internships and opportunities in 213 Graham Memorial.

7 p.m. - The **Bull's Head Bookshop** is hosting a reading and book signing of "From Calcutta with Love: The World War II Letters of Richard and Reva Beard," edited by Elaine Pinkerton. For information, call 962-5060.

7 p.m. - The **White Ribbon Campaign** is having its kickoff meeting

in 268 Venable Hall. We are looking for men interested in working to end men's violence against women. The White Ribbon Campaign will run April 1-5. See <http://www.unc.edu/ncfellas> for details.

8 p.m. - Be a leader, save lives, serve an international humanitarian organization and make a difference in the community. Get involved with the **American Red Cross Club at UNC!** Join us for our general body meeting in 103 Bingham Hall. E-mail questions to redcross@unc.edu.

8:30 p.m. - The **Carolina Production Guild**, the UNC student filmmaking group, will show "Botlerocket" in 101 Greenlaw Hall. Come out to learn more.

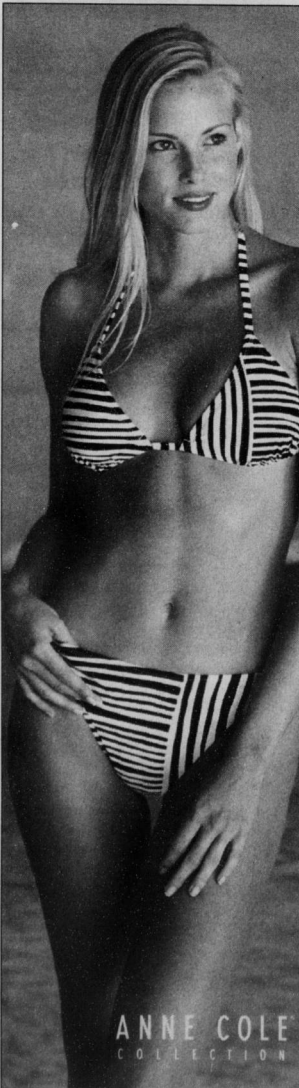
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