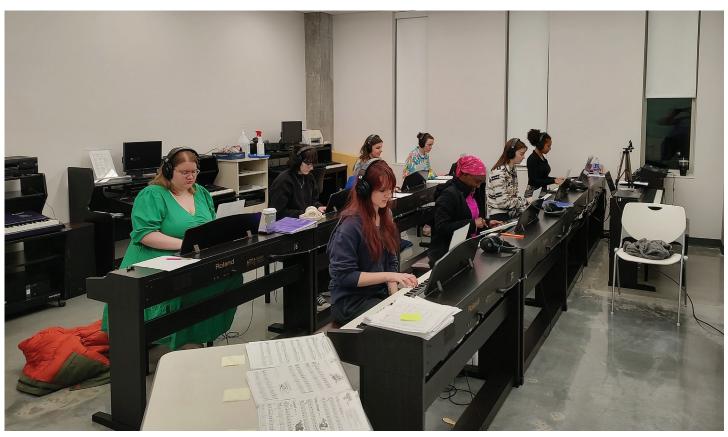
Cottey

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Heather Walker

MUS 165 (piano performance class) is in full swing! The keyboard lab has been a great addition for the class. Stay tuned for our spring piano recital that will be May 8th in the recital hall! We would love for you to come and support these musicians of all skill levels.





Kim Severance



Trisha Stubblefield

The WGS program invites you to take a stroll through the past by visiting our Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies 20th Anniversary display in the RBAC Student Art Gallery!

The display will remain up until April.

Thank you for supporting the WGS program.

Sarah Polo

Did you know that Cottey has a long-standing, student-run creative journal? The Image Tree (https://image-tree.webnode.page/) is a fantastic way for students to publish their art, writing, and much more. The leadership team for the 2024-2025 Image Tree has recently been finalized. Please encourage students to submit work to the Image Tree when the call for submissions goes out! Stand Out and Using Restorative Practices in Social Justice Work, we explored Chicago, ate Polish and Chinese food, and learned how to navigate the Chicago Transit Authority. This immersion was made possible through a grant from the Serenbetz Family Foundation.

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Cottey Shines Bright at KCACTF Region 5 Festival

Cottey College's Theatre Department took center stage at the 57th Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival (KCACTF) for Region 5, leaving an indelible mark on the event with a dazzling display of talent, creativity, and innovation. Representing excellence both on and off the stage, our students and faculty proved why theatre is a cornerstone of the Arts and Humanities at Cottey.

Award-Winning Performances and Designs

Two of Cottey's recent productions, Night of the Macabre and Sweeney Todd raked in an impressive array of Certificates of Merit:

For Night of the Macabre:

Sasha Smith & Taylor Jordan – Direction Kordelia Taylor – Properties Management Riah Crutchfield – Lighting Design Klair Soukup – Scenic Design Ensemble – Performance & Production Design





For Sweeney Todd: Ensemble – Performance Klair Soukup – Scenic Design Gracie Wilbern – Understudy Performance B'lynn Evans – Costume Design Hunter Beard – Dramaturgy E. Blaha – Makeup & Wig Design Lindsay Abbeg – Poster & Program Design Laura Chaney – Technical Direction







In addition, E. Blaha took home Student Choice and Festival Honorable Mention awards for their stunning Makeup Design in Sweeney Todd, and Klair Soukup advanced as a semi-finalist in the Musical Theatre Intensive. Meanwhile, Jaynee Depuee and Kaylan Davis earned Student Choice Awards for their captivating performances in the Monologue Slam. They were both invited to share their monologues at the closing ceremony in front of over 1200 participants. Rounding out riveting performances at the festival included Kordelia Taylor and Alison Clouse who both stunned in the Festival Drag Show as part of the Drag intensive program - proving that Cottey students know how to own a stage—even in the most

competitive settings. Our students also attended numerous workshops and career-building sessions throughout the week - furthering their theatrical knowledge as well as honing vital skills that go far beyond the stage.



Welcome New Employees

Jamie Bloomfield- Dining Services Office Assistant Emily Adams- Dining and Catering Assistant Destiny Swearingen- Education Department Administrative Assistant Jimmy Walker- Adjunct Professor of Psychology Paul Benton- PM Swing Cook Ben Constuble- Assistant Flag Football Coach Breya Brown- Night Shift Security Alyssa Meisenheimer- AM Swing Cook Beth Reeves- Administrative Assistant for Student Opportunities