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DEAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

A new year gives us a new beginning and new hope for tomorrow.

We have seen hope in the everyday. Even after two challenging years, our faculty and staff continue to show remarkable adaptability, resilience and perhaps even more importantly, empathy and compassion for each other and our students.

Every day, you inspire me with your dedication, determination, and tenacity to deliver the very best for our community and help our students thrive. Your perseverance is deeply appreciated, and I am grateful to collaborate and work side by side with all of you.

As we prepare to take on a new year and begin the winter semester, we continue to celebrate the remarkable accomplishments of our faculty, staff and students.

Art is powerful and our Design Cluster has demonstrated an incredible collaboration to produce and design a work of art that will take pride of place in the N Wing adding a splash of colour to our north campus. We also showcase how industry partner Umbra collaborated with our Industrial Design third year students to host the annual Umbra/Humber Studio project. Their designs are truly inspirational!

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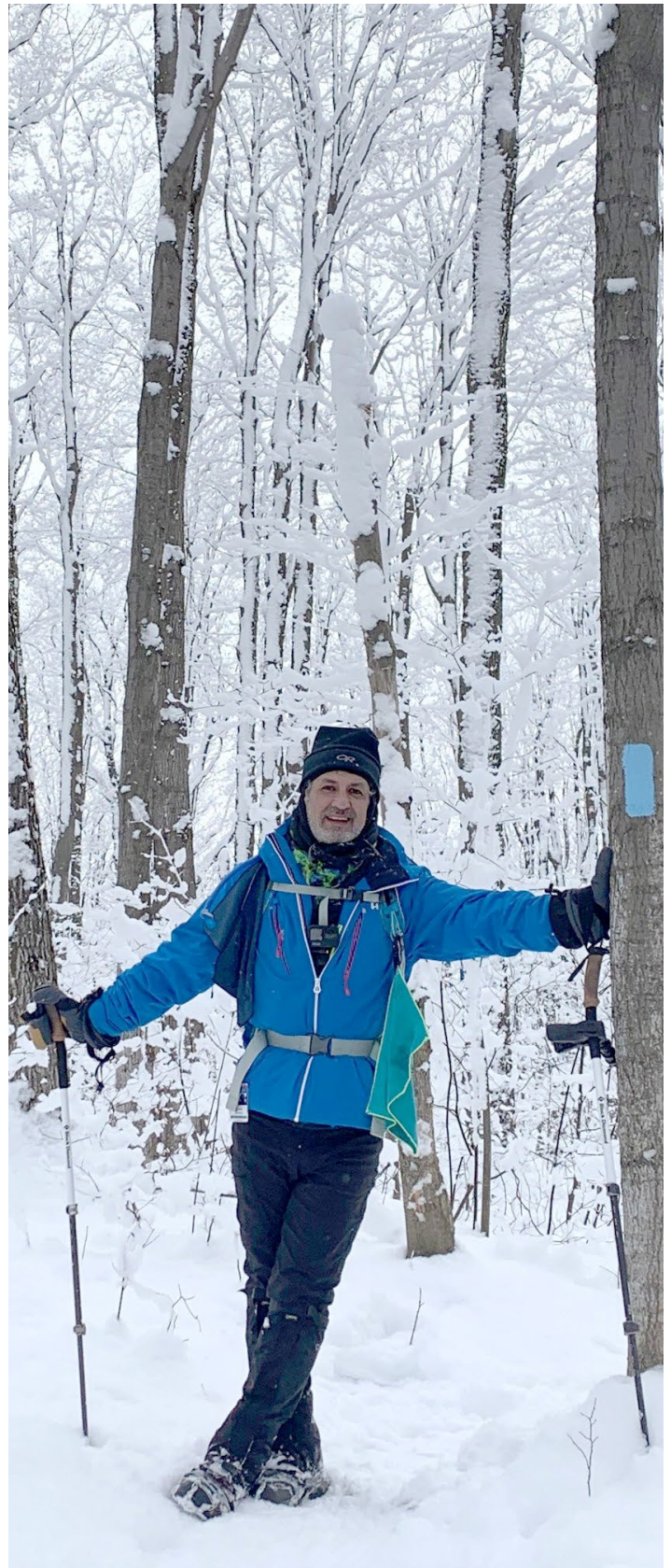
Our faculty continue to lead and inspire our students and this month we celebrate a number of FAST faculty including Michael Guido who is nominated for the League of Innovation in the Community College's Excellence Award; Catherine Chong, professor in our Bachelor of Industrial Design program, who was selected as a design judge for the Canadian Interiors 2021 Best of Canada Awards; Professor of Architectural Technology, Yuri Sura, who is celebrating the launch of his new book of poetry; and a feature profile on Dr. Dragos Paraschiv, P.Eng. who knew at a very young age that he wanted to be an engineer.

We look forward to the New Year with hope as we optimistically prepare for a safe return to learning. The health and well-being of our campus community remains our top priority and I applaud our faculty and staff who continue to patiently prepare for a safe return to welcome our students each term.

Together, we will continue to create the sense of community that is so central to the Humber experience. I warmly wish you a safe, transformative year ahead and I can't wait to connect with you in 2022!

Welcome back!

With gratitude,
Dr. Farzad Rayegani, Ph.D., P.Eng, FEC.
Senior Dean



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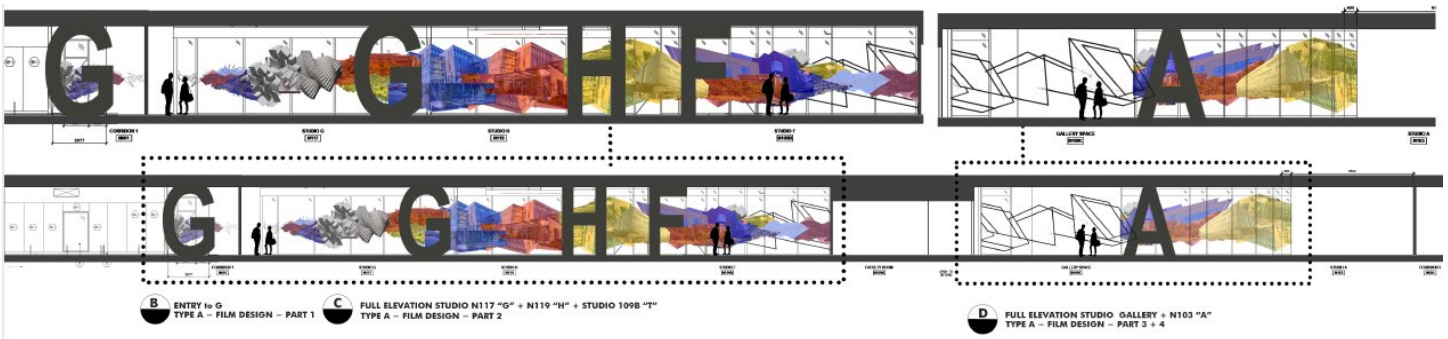
FAST STUDENTS AND FACULTY COLLABORATE TO CREATE FILM IN N

An incredible collaboration and synergy in our design cluster has produced a work of art!

Lead by David Vazquez-Abrams and Vanessa Vilic-Evangelista, four students in our design cluster collaborated to design FILM in N that will take pride of place in the N Wing!

Congratulations to students Annie Feiler & Kathleen Rumney (Interior Decorating), Gurman Hansra (Design Foundation) and Helena Andric (Interior Design) for your interdisciplinary teamwork to produce this vibrant visual.

Scheduled for a May 2022 installation, we look forward to enjoying this new splash of colour and design on campus!



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INDUSTRIAL DESIGN THIRD YEAR STUDENTS DESIGN FOR MODERN LIVING IN UMBRA/HUMBER STUDIO PROJECT

Driven by innovation, Toronto-based Umbra has become a global leader in product design, known for pushing boundaries in its approach to original design.

An industry leader, we are proud this company partners with FAST to host the annual Umbra/Humber Studio project with Industrial Design third year students!

This year's theme was "Outliers", challenging students to explore new categories, new ideas and really push boundaries with the Umbra brand.

Congratulations to all participating students with a special high-five to the following:

The Alto Planter - 1st Place

A free-standing multi-level planter

Mitchell Wiley, Timothy Kraulis and Andrew Chartrand

The Alto Planter

The Alto is a free standing planter with multiple levels and a large planter base to hold the weight to support the structure. Perfect for the modern outdoor living space, it comes packed with features like drainage and easy assembly. It is collapsible for efficient storage and shipping.



1:1 Scale Model



Lumos - 2nd Place

A coat rack with ambient lighting

Sebastian Krnic, Mary-Beth Scully and Thomas Purchase



LUMOS
Coat Rack and Ambient Light

Lumos - Final Concept

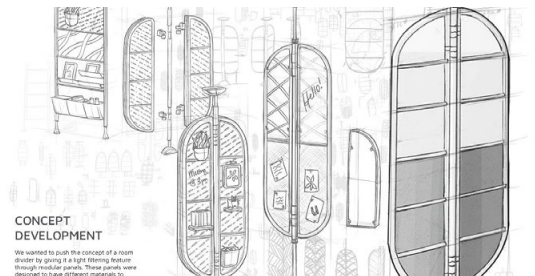


Canvas Room Divider - 3rd Place

A multi-function personal room divider

Melissa Stocco, Alec Freda, and Hannah Dumancas

UMBRA CANVAS
PERSONAL ROOM DIVIDER



Shout out to Professor Kaylyn Belcourt for spear-heading this initiative with assistance from Professor Catherine Chong and Dr. Dennis Kapen!

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FIRST YEAR MECHATRONICS STUDENTS RECEIVE INAUGURAL ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to Abbi Benka, Evan Bowman and Mariana Torres on being awarded the Tenaris Roberto Rocca Scholarship in Engineering!

All three are first year students in the new Bachelor of Engineering, Mechatronics program co-delivered with Humber College and Sault College. This scholarship will be awarded annually to incoming students for this new degree. Each scholarship is valued at \$8,000 over four years.

We are proud to partner with Sault College to give graduates hands-on experience with industry-standard advanced technology & practical co-op work placements to prepare graduates career ready for a changing world!



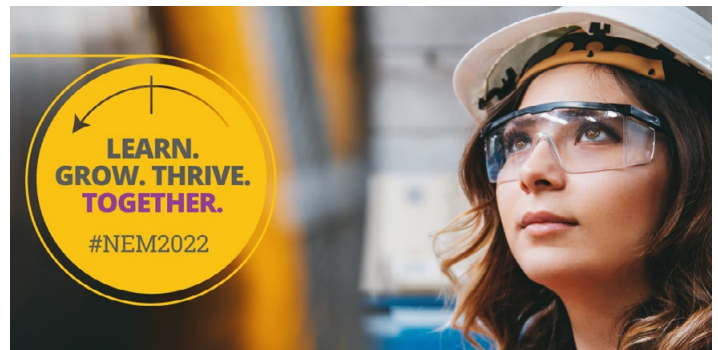
MARCH IS NATIONAL ENGINEERING MONTH

Humber FAST is a proud partner of National Engineering Month – Canada’s engineering event of the year!

NEM 2022 will continue to focus on lifelong learning for post-secondary students & interdisciplinary professionals as well as equity, diversity & inclusion.

We will be hosting several events throughout the month of March with bold topics, industry expertise and diverse perspectives to spark discussion.

All 2022 events will be posted by late January. To stay up to date on the latest news and information, visit their [website](#).



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MICHAEL GUIDO NOMINATED FOR LEAGUE OF INNOVATION IN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S EXCELLENCE AWARD

Congratulations to FAST Professor & Architect Michael Guido who is nominated for the League of Innovation in the Community College's Excellence Award! Michael is recognized as an exceptional faculty member who consistently demonstrates a focus on teaching and learning excellence. He joins two other Humber colleagues who are being recognized for their outstanding commitments to learners and programs.

The League for Innovation in the Community College is an international nonprofit organization with a mission to cultivate innovation in the community college environment. Winners will be announced at the virtual awards celebration at the Annual League "Innovations" Conference from February 28th - March 3rd, 2022.

Congratulations Michael and thank you for your efforts and innovations to teaching and learning at Humber!



CATHERINE CHONG SELECTED DESIGN JUDGE FOR CANADIAN INTERIORS 2021 BEST OF CANADA AWARDS

Catherine Chong, professor in our Bachelor of Industrial Design program, was selected as a design judge for the Canadian Interiors 2021 Best of Canada Awards!

Celebrating 24 years, this annual national interior design awards program is Canada's only design competition focusing on interior design projects and products regardless of size, budget or location.

Catherine was responsible for judging the Product Design category along with two renown Toronto-based architects, Andrew Sun and Eiri Ota.

Submissions were accepted from interior designers, architects, landscape architects, decorators, crafts persons and design students and several entries are from companies who have sponsored FAST Industrial Design Thesis Shows as well as employed a number of our graduates.

Thank you Catherine for your dedication to the industry and proudly representing Humber FAST!

Read on for more information about [2021 Best of Canada Awards and the winners list](#).



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FACULTY WHO LEAD TO INSPIRE

DR. DRAGOS PARASCHIV, P.ENG.

Dr. Dragos Paraschiv, P.Eng. knew at a very young age that he wanted to be an engineer.

Growing up in Romania, he was always curious about how things work and took advantage of every physics, chemistry and science class to feed his curiosity and fuel his passion for discovery. Now, he is a full-time professor developing curriculum in the Sustainable Energy and Building Technology (SEBT) advance diploma program; establishing industry partnerships for Co-op placements and research projects; and mentoring hundreds of engineering technology students.

Read the full profile [here](#).



BACHELOR OF INTERIOR DESIGN GRADUATE EARNS SCHOLARSHIP TO SCAD

We are beaming with great pride that Interior Design graduate, Suwan Mak-Mancuso has been accepted to the Master of Arts Design Management program at the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD). This includes a scholarship to attend the Winter 2022 program.

The university for professional, creative careers, SCAD offers more degree programs and specializations than any other art and design university.

Congratulations Suwan on this wonderful accomplishment and we look forward to following your design journey!



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ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGY PROFESSOR LAUNCHES BOOK OF POETRY

Inspired by life experiences, FAST Professor of Architectural Technology, Yuri Sura, is celebrating the launch of his new book of poetry!

Collections Poetry features his own original artwork as well as 14 poems, including Bay and King, which follows a narrative of the seemingly clandestine experience at the Toronto intersection.

Over the years, Yuri has spent time writing, painting, sculpting, owning a private architecture business and teaching at Humber College.

[Read on for more information and where to purchase.](#)

COLLECTIONS POETRY



WITH PUBLISHED WORKS
SUCH AS "BAY & KING"

YURI T. SURA

FAST MILESTONES

Congratulations to the following faculty and staff who are celebrating a Career Milestone in January! We truly appreciate your contribution to the Humber FAST community and congratulate you on reaching this important milestone!

5 year milestones

Mihaela Pop
Mohammed Rahman
Sophie Ratcliff
David Vasquez-Abrams
Daphne Wainman-Wood
Colin Wildman

10 year milestones

Cheryl Francis-Nurse
Catherine Chong



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

FAST NEWS recognizes and celebrates the achievements of our faculty and students. To share your successes with us, please submit stories and images to the Office of the Senior Dean, Julie Pasquin: julie.pasquin@humber.ca

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