To kick off the Homecoming Weekend on Thursday, October 7, join us for "Drinks with the Dean" at 6 pm in the courtyard between the East and West Architecture Buildings. At 8pm, Sonic Generator, the avant-garde performance group which combines faculty and students of the School of Music with performers from the Atlanta Symphony, will take the stage in the Reinsch-Pierce Family Auditorium and provide an original concert of solos and small chamber pieces, with everything from music for toy piano and electronics by Austrian composer Karlheinz Essl to a new video by former Atlanta visual artist Amber Boardman to accompany music for flute by Gene Pritsker. RSVP by Monday, Oct. 4 to teri.nagel@coa.gatech.edu
Jim Budd has been appointed as Chair of Georgia Tech’s School of Industrial Design. He brings 15 years of academic and research leadership in human-centered, interactive product design, as well as two decades of corporate design experience to the school. Most recently, he was associate professor of industrial and interaction design at Emily Carr University of Art and Design in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, where he headed the Wearables and Interactive Products Lab. Join us Wednesday, Oct. 27, 5:30 pm at Museum of Design Atlanta for a meet and greet reception. More >
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The School of Architecture at Georgia Tech will host a symposium, “Foreground + Background in Architectural History,” on Oct. 23, 2010, 8:00 am to 2:30 pm, to celebrate the career of Elizabeth Meredith “Betty” Dowling, who recently retired after three decades of distinguished service as professor, architectural historian and campus leader. Read more or register for free online at www.coa.gatech.edu/event/foreground_background.

Creativity, innovation and the interaction between Georgia Tech fourth-year College of Architecture student Caity Jiminez and Shimon, an improvisational robotic marimba player created by researchers in the Center for Music Technology, take center stage in Institute’s latest public service announcement (PSA). Read more or watch it now.
Georgia Tech undergraduate seniors in architecture, industrial design and mechanical engineering recently captured first through fourth place for their humanitarian inventions at the Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering’s Senior Capstone Design Expo, a competition that featured 40 team projects representing more than 200 students. More >

Faculty in the School of City and Regional Planning led
international talks on urban sustainability and electronic waste management at two China summits this summer. Nancey Green Leigh and her research group organized a forum on electronic waste management, designed to foster market-based approaches for processing electronic waste that will lead to new products, business activity and jobs. Green Leigh and Perry Yang together organized the Ninth Annual International Urban Planning and Environment Association Symposium (UPE9). Central topics there included a renewed focus on urban sustainability and embracing nature in urban environments.

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