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## MacMurray College Speaker Series, “What is Gloss” held on Jan 28



JACKSONVILLE, Ill. – Dr. Laura Blackburn, Dr. Samuel Supalla and Dr. Jody Cripps will present, “What is Gloss?” as part of the College’s 2009-10 Speaker Series entitled “Challenging Your Perspectives.” The presentation will be Thursday, January 28, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in Thoresen Recital Hall of the Springer Center for Music on the MacMurray College campus. It’s located at the corner of South Clay Avenue and East State Street.

Gloss is one of three American Sign Language based (ASL) tools designed to remedy the reading development issues concerning deaf children. The presenters will share cherished memorabilia and anecdotes related to the founding of Laurent Clerc Elementary School; one of the first ten ASL charter schools to operate successfully in the United States.

All Speaker Series lectures are free and open to the public. For more information on the series, go to [www.mac.edu](http://www.mac.edu) or contact the Office of Public Relations, 217-479-

7027. Request sign language interpreting services 72 hours prior to the event at [dss@mac.edu](mailto:dss@mac.edu) or call 217-479-7123.

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