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E V E N T S

For the week of October 9th:

Monday, October 9th

“My Neighbor Totoro”

Asian Studies Center Film Series

This is the fourth film in our Hayao Miyazaki Film Retrospective.

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Rm. B102 Wells Hall

“The Great Turning: From Empire to Earth Community”

United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development Speaker Series
Office of Campus Sustainability

Speaker: Dr. David C. Korten, author and leader of anti-globalization movement

7:30 pm, Rm. 158 Natural Resources Building

Canadian Thanksgiving

All are welcome to join the Canadian Studies Centre in celebrating Canada's Thanksgiving. Food and beverages will be served.

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, Rm. 303 International Center

Tuesday, October 10th

“Gift of Life or Relay of Life: Organ Donation in Comparative U.S. - Jap- anese Perspective”

Asian Studies Center Fall Colloquium

Speaker: Ann Mongoven, Center for Bioethics, Humanities and Society, Michigan State University

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm, Rm. 303 International Center

“The Great Turning: From Empire to Earth Community”

Philosophy Department Discussion Forum

Speaker: Dr. David C. Korten is an author and leader within the anti-globalization movement.

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm, Rm. 105 South Kedzie

“WID Graduate Associates Skill Building Workshop”

Women and International Development
Facilitated by Jon Harrison, Social Sciences Collections Coordinator, MSU Libraries
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm, Rm. 303 International Center

Wednesday, October 11th

Reception with the President

MSU President Simon and important members of the community will host this reception to honor all international students.

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Ballroom, MSU Union

“Comparing Aspects of the War of the Triple Alliance (1864-1870) in South America and the US Civil War (1860-1865)”

Center for Latin America and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) Seminar

Speaker: Vitor Izecksohn, Associate Professor, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm, Rm. 303 International Center

Thursday, October 12th

“Water Shortages, Water Allocation and Economic Growth: The Case of China”

Agricultural Economics Presentation

Speaker: Dr. Rodney Smith, University of Minnesota

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm, Rm. 75 Agriculture Hall

EVENTS *continued***“Impact of an Education Policy on Female Pupils’ Classroom Behavior and on Parents’ Attitude...”**

African Studies Center Brown Bag
 Speaker: Ibro Chekaraou, Faculty in Linguistics, Michigan State University
 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

Friday, October 13th**“Agricultural Development in Uruguay”**

CASID/WID Friday Forum
 Speaker: Raul Ruiz Barbot, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow
 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

“Km. 0”

Romance Languages Film Series
 In this Spanish comedy, the lives of characters living in Madrid are connected by their presence in the Plaza del Sol on a hot afternoon in August.
 5:30 pm, Rm. 206 Old Horticulture Building (OHB)

International Coffee Hour

Office of International Students and Scholars
 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, Spartan B & C, International Center Food Court

For the week of October 16th:**Monday, October 16th****World Food Day****“Power of the People: Bottom-up Solutions to Hunger”**

National Teleconference and Panel Discussion sponsored by CASID/WID
 Panel Discussants: Dr. Makanjuola Olaseinde Arigbede, Eva Clayton, and

Dr. Deepa Narayan
 Program Host: Ray Suarez
 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Teleconference
 1:00 pm - 1:30 pm, Discussion
 Rm. 303 International Center

“Kiki’s Delivery Service”

Asian Studies Center Film Series
 This is the fifth film in our Hayao Miyazaki Film Retrospective
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Rm. B102 Wells Hall

“Placentas, Untouchables and the Politics of Loss in Rural North India”

Asian Studies Center Fall Colloquium
 Speaker: Sarah Pinto, Anthropology, Tufts University
 4:00 pm, Rm. 303 International Center

Tuesday, October 17th**“Rescuing a Planet under Stress and a Civilization in Trouble”**

John A. Hannah Professor in Land Use Distinguished Speaker Series
 Speaker: Lester Brown, Worldwatch Institute
 7:30 pm, MSU Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, Big Ten Ballroom

Wednesday, October 18th**“Tycoon: A New Russian”**

Russian Film Series
 The story of the rise and fall of Platon Makovskii, who is closely modeled on Boris Berezovskii, one of Russia’s “oligarchs.”
 7:10 pm - 9:30 pm, Rm. C311 Wells Hall

“1491: New Revelations of the Americas before Columbus”

Department of Geography Seminar

Speaker: Charles C. Mann, book author and science writer for Science and The Atlantic Monthly
 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm, Rm. 111 Olds Hall

“Tiempo Libre”

Grammy-nominated Tiempo Libre is one the hottest young Latin bands today
 Wharton Center for Performing Arts
 7:30 pm, Cobb Great Hall
 Tickets \$28, Student discount tickets \$15

Thursday, October 19th**“The Neuropsychology of Cerebral Malaria in Ugandan Children”**

African Studies Center Brown Bag
 Speaker: Michael Boivin, Faculty Neuropsychology Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

Friday, October 20th**“Addressing the Legacies of Mass Violence in East Timor”**

CASID - WID Friday Forum
 Speaker: Elizabeth Drexler, Department of Anthropology
 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

“Il Sorriso Di Mia Madre”

Romance Languages Film Series
 5:30 pm, Rm. 206 Old Horticulture Building (OHB)

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THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED NATIONS: HOW THE U.N. WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE REFORM AS IT ADDRESSES ISSUES IN LEBANON AND DARFUR AND AS IT SELECTS A NEW SEC- RETARY-GENERAL

Speaker: William Davis, Director, United Nations Information Center

9:00 am, October 26, 2006, 252 Erickson Hall

William K. Davis was appointed by United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan as the Director of the United Nations' office in Washington, DC. Mr. Davis has worked in every administration since President Reagan. He worked in the U.S. Department of State where he was responsible for relations with Congress on a range of foreign policy matters, including counter-narcotics, human rights, refugees, and post-conflict reconstruction. Mr. Davis also worked for the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), where he served for three years as the head of public affairs of the OECD's Washington office. Prior to joining the OECD, Mr. Davis spent eight years at the White House and the State Department as a senior legislative aide. He has also worked at the U.S. Treasury and Defense departments. For more information contact: Gretchen Sanford at sanfordg@msu.edu

INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FAIR Internship - Volunteer - Teach - Work Abroad

Tuesday, October 24th, 2006

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm, MSU Union – Second Floor

This fair is for students who have thought about or are considering:

- volunteering, teaching, internships or short-term work abroad
- an internationally-focused career
- funding for an international experience

Nearly 50 MSU international units and external international organizations will provide information and resources about internships, volunteer, work and teaching abroad, internationally-focused careers, and funding sources for international experiences. This fair complements the semi-annual study abroad fairs, but will not showcase classroom-based study abroad offerings.

During the fair the following presentations will be given in the Green Room, MSU Union:

12:00 pm - U.S. Foreign Service and State Department

Learn from senior diplomat Robert Smolik about international State Department internships and opportunities as Foreign Service officers and State Department civil servants

3:00 pm - U.S. Agency for International Development

Learn from former Senior Democracy Office Mary Anne Walker about opportunities with USAID, an independent federal government agency that supports long-term and equitable economic growth and advances U.S. foreign policy objectives by supporting economic growth, agriculture and trade; global health; and, democracy, conflict prevention and humanitarian assistance.

RECEPTION WITH THE PRESIDENT

MSU President Simon and important members of the community of East Lansing will host this special reception to honor all international students. Your presence on campus is important to the University and this is one place for MSU and community leaders to recognize you. Snacks and beverages will be served. This is your chance to meet the President. Bring a guest and don't forget your cameras.

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Ballroom, MSU Union

INVITATION - ART EXHIBITION OPENING

The MSU College of Law is pleased to invite you to the opening of its latest art exhibition. It is a two-part, combined exhibition with a common opening reception to be held on Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 4:00pm.

Building Islam in Detroit: Foundations, Forms, Futures

A Collaborative Research Exhibition with Photography Installation by Elshafei Mohamed

This part of the exhibition will be displayed in the 4th Floor Atrium of the Law College.

Comments by Sally Howell, exhibition organizer and the artist Elshafei Mohamed at 4:15pm in 4th Floor Atrium

Displaced Sudan: The Cost of Silence

A photographic documentary by Ryan Spencer Reed

This exhibition includes 35 photographs and will be displayed on the 3rd floor exhibition area and 4th floor.

Comments by Ryan Reed, the photo journalist at 4:30 pm in the 4th Floor Atrium.

THE FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS OF CENTRAL ASIA AND THE CONTEMPORARY SILK ROAD

IRES (The International Research & Exchanges Board), in collaboration with the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars' Kennan Institute (WWC), is pleased to announce its 2007 Regional Policy Symposium.

The research symposium, which is being supported by the United States Department of State (Title VIII Program), will bring together US senior and junior scholars to examine and discuss a variety of political, security, economic, historical,

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educational, and cultural topics related to the former Soviet republics of Central Asia and their relationships with countries along the contemporary Silk Road.

Countries include: Afghanistan, China, India, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

Junior scholars will be chosen based on a national competition to present their current research on the region. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents of the United States.

The 2007 Regional Symposium is scheduled to take place in late March 2007 in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area and will involve two full days of reviews of current research projects, roundtable discussions, and the development of policy recommendations,

Grant Provisions:

* Round-trip airfare (provided by IREX through its travel office) and/or surface transportation from anywhere in the United States to the symposium site; and

* Meals and accommodations for the duration of the symposium.

To receive more information on the 2007 Regional Policy Symposium, please send e-mail inquiries to Symposium@irex.org. Application materials are available on the IREX website at: <http://www.irex.org/programs/symp/index.asp>. APPLICATION DUE DATE: December 1, 2006.

THE COMPTON AFRICA PEACE FELLOWSHIPS AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY FOR DISSERTATION RESEARCH BY AFRICAN STUDENTS

Michigan State University's African Studies Center (ASC) and Women and International Development (WID) Program are offering Compton Africa Peace Fellowships to graduate students from Sub-Saharan Africa to support their dissertation field research in Africa. This program is an element of the MSU African Higher Education Partnerships Initiative (AHEPI). These dissertation fellowship awards are made possible by a grant from the Compton Foundation through its Peace Fellowship Program for addressing peace, conflict resolution, and security in Africa.

The goal of the Compton Fellowship Program in Peace and Security is to strengthen intellectual capacity in Sub-Saharan African nations and institutions that can address the challenges of conflict resolution, peace, and security issues intra- and internationally. The fellowships will support exceptional Ph.D. degree candidates at MSU from Sub-Saharan Africa who intend to return to their country or region of origin after completing their studies. A secondary goal is to promote the integration of environment, peace, and/or population issues in graduate-level study and research.

The Compton Foundations peace and security program focuses on a variety of activities and issue areas which include: resolving and avoiding international and regional conflict; reducing the threat from weapons of mass destruction; and broadening the definition of national security to include environmental and population aspects.

Eligibility:

- 1) Be citizens of a nation in Sub-Saharan Africa and not be seeking citizenship or residency abroad.
- 2) Be enrolled in a Ph.D. program at MSU.
- 3) Be candidates for the Ph.D. degree in any of a variety of disciplines, and pursuing an eligible research topic .
- 4) Provide evidence that all requirements for the Ph.D. degree (including comprehensive examinations and departmental approval of the dissertation proposal) will be completed except for the dissertation fieldwork and write-up by the time they plan to begin fieldwork.
- 5) Be pursuing a dissertation that requires fieldwork in Africa for a minimum of six months and a maximum of 12 months for collection of qualitative or quantitative data.

Eligible Research Topics:

The MSU Compton Africa Peace Fellowship Program will consider applications in the following sub-fields

- Peace, Democracy, and Civil Society
- Environment, Natural Resource Security, and Community Participation
- Population and Refugees
- Communication, Peace, and Security
- Labor and Industrial Conflict and Cooperation
- Peace, Security, and Conflict Resolution in African History
- Food and Economic Security

The awards are for up to \$15,000 and are to be used solely to support field research in Sub-Saharan Africa. Fellows will participate in a directed readings program at MSU related to peace and security.

Deadline: November 15, 2006, for application for awards for research beginning in the 2007 calendar year.

Application forms are available at:

<http://africa.msu.edu/compton.php> and <http://www.wid.msu.edu/forstudents/opportunities.htm>

Completed application forms must be submitted by mail and e-mail to: MSU-Compton Fellowship Committee
c/o David Wiley, African Studies Center, 100 International Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824-1035. Tel: 517-353-1700; Fax: 517-432-1209, wiley@msu.edu

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12:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Rm. 303 International Center

Monday, October 16, 2006

Power of the People: Bottom-up Solutions to Hunger

This year's World Food Day Teleconference will examine the unique and potentially powerful role played by the hundreds of grassroots' based movements working for a world free of hunger. This discussion will be a follow-up of the 2005 program in which Frances Moore Lappe framed the issue of hunger not as a shortage of food but as a shortage of democracy. Three international leaders with hands on experience and knowledge about these "home grown" endeavors will share information: Dr. Makanjuola Olaseinde Arigbede of Nigeria, a full time development activist who trained as a doctor of medicine; Eva Clayton (former congresswoman from North Carolina) who has just retired as Associate Director General and Director of the International Alliance Against Hunger for the Food and Agricultural Organization of the UN; and Dr. Deepa Narayan of India, who is Senior Adviser in the Poverty Reduction and Economic Management of the World Bank, and author and team leader of the Voices of the Poor Initiative.

In addition, there will be a live uplink with the World Food Prize laureate from the ceremonies in Iowa. This program will be broadcast live from Washington D.C.

All submissions for the next issue of the CASID Current for the Fall Semester 2006 are due by 12:00 pm on October 16th. Send to CASID, 202 International Center, ATTN: Andrea Freidus; e-mail: freidusa@msu.edu; telephone: (517) 353-5925; fax (517) 353-8765.

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