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E V E N T S

For the week of March 12th:

Tuesday, March 13th

“Week of African Culture: A.W.A.K.E. (Africans’ War Against the Known Epidemic: Poverty)”

Numerous events are scheduled throughout the week

“The Causes and Remedies of African Poverty”

Initial panel discussion to begin African Culture Week sponsored by the African Student Union

7:00 pm, McDonel Hall Kiva

“Migration, Livelihood, and Coastal Resource Use in the Philippines”

Asian Studies Center Spring Colloquium Series, “Science and Society in Contemporary Asia: Water, Culture and the Environment”

Speaker: James Eder, Department of Anthropology, Arizona State University

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

“The Miracle of Bern”

German Film Series

7:15 pm, Rm. B102 Wells Hall

“It’s All True”

Department of History International Film Series

Host: Professor Peter Beattie

7:30 pm, Rm. 1410 Biomedical and Physical Sciences Building

“Israel as a Jewish & Democratic State: Balancing the Particular and the Universal”

Serling Lecture on Modern Israel Hosted by the Jewish Studies Program

Speakers: Ilan Peleg, Professor of Government and Law at Lafayette College, and Charles A. Dana, Editor of Israel Forum

7:30 pm, Rm. 334 A & B Case Hall

Wednesday, March 14th

“Yesterday”

African Culture Week Movie Night

7:00 pm, Rm. B106 Wells Hall

“Teaching about Difference & Others: Latin America & Asia in US Textbooks & Classrooms”

Partnership to Prepare Global & International Educators Seminar

Speakers: Rocio Quispe-Agnoli, Dept. of Spanish and Portuguese; Won-Pyo Hong, Dept. of Teacher Education

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm, Rm. 166-H Erickson Hall

“Creating a Sustainable Future: What Every Educator and Student Needs to Know”

UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development Speaker Series

Speaker: Dr. Debra Rowe, Higher Education Co-Chair & President of the U.S.

Partnership for Education for Sustainable Development

7:30 pm, Rm. 105 South Kedzie

EVENTS *continued***“The Ramlila Performance: Lecture and Video”**

A Celebration of Indian Culture Presentation

Presenter: Pamela Lothspiech, Linguistics and Languages, MSU

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm, Spartan Rooms B & C, International Center

“Indigenous Reporting in the Americas: The Need to Hear Native Voices”

CLACS (Charla) Seminar Series

Speaker: Leonardo Ferreira, Associate Dean and Director of Graduate Studies, School of Communication, University of Miami

3:00 pm - 4:40 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

Thursday, March 15th**“Future Directions for the MSU African Studies Center III”**

African Studies Center Brown Bag

Speakers: African Studies Center Faculty

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 303 International Center

“Vendor Day” (African apparel & artifacts for sale)

African Culture Week Activity

11:00 am - 5:00 pm, Wells Hall Lobby/hallway

“Now I am Free”

Israeli Film Festival

Presented by Director Gadi Kviatek, Beit Berl College

This movie deals with the empowerment of women who discover through theatre that they are capable of a great deal

7:00 pm, Rm. 147 Communication Arts & Sciences Building

Friday, March 16th**“Have You Seen Drum Lately?” and “The Great Dance: A Hunter’s Story”**

African Culture Week Double Feature Movie Presentation with the Departments of Art & Art History

Special Presenter: South African visitor, Professor Glenn Meyer, Nelson Mandela University, Port Elizabeth

7:00 pm - 9:30 pm, Rm. 108 Kresge Art Center

“Awareness Day”

African Culture Week Open Mic Show Featuring: Musical performances by various groups

8:00 pm - 12:00 pm, International Center Food Court

“Amor En Concreto”

Romance Languages Film Series

Three different love stories play out on the Avenida Libertador, the main avenue of Caracas, Venezuela

5:30 pm, Rm. 206 Old Horticulture Building

“Economic Revitalization in China’s Northeastern Provinces”

CASID/WID Friday Forum

Speaker: Yaowu Song, PhD and Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

“Born Again is a Sexual Term: Demons, STDs, and God’s Healing Sperm”

New Research on Women and Gender: Global and Local Perspectives

Colloquia Series to inaugurate the new Gender and Global Studies Center

Speaker: Amy DeRogatis, Associate Professor, MSU Department of Religious Studies

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm, Rm. 305 International Center

“WordCraft Weekend with Richard Van Camp”

See announcements pg. 7 for details

“Dutchman”

African-American and African Film-Speaker Series

A riveting exploration of race, sex, and relationships

7:00 pm, Rm. 206 Old Horticulture Building, also shown on the 17th at 5:00 pm, Rm. 170 Arts and Sciences Building (Lansing Community College)

International Coffee Hour

Office of International Students and Scholars

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, Spartan Rooms B & C, International Center Food Court

Saturday, March 17th**“African Culture Week Gala: Taste of Africa”**

See announcements pg. 7 for details

Sunday, March 18th**“Two Minutes from Faradis”**

Israeli Film Festival

In this comic tale, a rebellious Israeli daughter eager for her parents’ attention gets it by dating a young Arab man

2:00 pm, Rm. 147 Communication Arts & Sciences Building

“Live and Become”

Israeli Film Festival

The film focuses on Schlomo, an Ethiopian boy who adjustments in Israel where he faces adversity and racism, while also carrying a difficult secret

6:30 pm, Rm. 147 Communication Arts & Sciences Building

EVENTS *continued***“Empty Rooms: The Aftermath of Terror”**

Israeli Film Festival

A horrific terror attack on the Tel Aviv sea promenade killed 21 Russian Israelis and wounded 105 in June 2001. This film explores death and survival through interviews with survivors and their parents

3:30 pm, Rm. 147 Communication Arts & Sciences Building

For the Week of March 19th:**Monday, March 19th****“Syrian Bride”**

Israeli Film Festival

This film is about occupation, fractured lives, and patriarchy in the Druze Israeli community

7:00 pm, Rm. 147 Communication Arts & Sciences Building

Tuesday, March 20th**“Romeo & Juliet”**

Department of History International Film Series

Host: Professor Katharine Dubois

7:30 pm, Rm. 1410 Biomedical and Physical Sciences Building

“Schtonk!”

German Film Series

7:15 pm, Rm. B102 Wells Hall

Wednesday, March 21st**International Awards Ceremony 2007**

See announcements pg. 7 for details

East Lansing Film Festival

Festival begins today and ends on March 29th. See announcements pg.7 and visit <http://www.elff.com/> for more details

“Sexuality and Sociability in the Rio de la Plata, 1880-1930”

CLACS (Charla) Seminar Series

Speaker: Donna Guy, Professor, Department of History, Ohio State University

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

“The Master and Margarita”

Russian Film Series

A writer in the Soviet Union becomes increasingly paranoid as government agents and specialists of black magic start watching him

7:00 pm - 8:50 pm, Rm. C210 Wells Hall

“Teaching About Poverty, Equity & Global Economics”

Partnership to Prepare Global & International Educators Seminar

Speaker: Elizabeth Heilman, Associate Professor, Department of Teacher Education

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm, Rm. 133-F Erickson Hall

Thursday, March 22nd**“Facilitating Mozambican Women’s Attainment of Postwar Well-being”**

African Studies Center Brown Bag

Speaker: Zermarie Deacon, MSU Advanced Graduate Student in Psychology

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

Friday, March 23rd**“Economic Challenges in Kazakhstan”**

CASID/WID Friday Forum

Speaker: Zharas Tugulbayev, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

“O HEROI”

Romance Languages Film Series

This film follows the fortunes of a soldier who loses a leg to a landmine just before he is discharged after 20 years of fighting in Angola

5:30 pm, Rm. 206 Old Horticulture Building

Canadian Brass

The five virtuosi of Canadian Brass have a long history of recording classical repertoire with their special affinity for Baroque music being their trademark

8:00 pm, Cobb Great Hall in the Wharton Center for Performing Arts

Tickets: \$28, \$23, \$18, \$15

International Coffee Hour

Office of International Students and Scholars

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm, Spartan Rooms B & C, International Center

Saturday, March 24th**“Indian Chai at the Turner Dodge House”**

Event sponsored by UTSAV (India-club): A Celebration of Indian Culture
Event will feature Indian snacks and teas

Two sittings will be held, at 2:00 pm and at 4:00 pm

To purchase tickets, phone 483-6081

ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued***INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM****CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION: DECISION MAKING UNDER UNCERTAINTY**

Thursday, March 15 - Friday, March 16, 2007

Kellogg Conference Center

Michigan State University

East Lansing, MI

Making decisions about how to respond to climate change poses a significant challenge. What we know about climate change is both complex and uncertain. Yet there is good reason to believe that climate change would affect many critical elements of Michigan's ecosystems, infrastructure and economy. The right decisions could help to mitigate those impacts or allow us to adapt to them. We believe more and better science could aid in decision-making. But science will be helpful only if it asks the right questions and answers to those questions can be used effectively by decision makers.

Michigan State's Environmental Science and Policy Program, with support from the National Science Foundation, is starting a process that will help identify the kinds of research that needs to be done and the best ways to provide the results so they are as useful as possible to Michigan's decision makers.

The symposium will feature speakers on the effects of climate change in the Great Lakes Region, decision-making under uncertainty, and adaptation to climate change impacts.

Accepted Speakers:

Jeff Andresen, Michigan State University

Historical Climate Trends in Michigan and the Great Lakes Region

Joe Arvai, Michigan State University

Five Obstacles to Effective Climate Policy: A Decision Science Perspective

Bill Easterling, Penn State University

Climate Change and Agriculture-Is Uncertain Information Usable Knowledge?

Scudder Mackey, University of Windsor

Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation Strategies for Great Lakes Nearshore and Coastal Systems

Linda Mortsch, Environment Canada

Decision-Making in the Great Lakes: Challenges of Mainstreaming Adaptation to Climate Change

Susi Moser, National Center for Atmospheric Research

The Contextual Importance of Uncertainty in Climate-Sensitive Decision-Making: Toward an Integrative Decision-Centered Screening Tool

Terry Root, Stanford University

Global Change in Plants and Animals: A Fingerprint for Warming & Evidence of Cause

Joel Scheraga, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Linking Science to Decision Making in the Great Lakes Region

Steve Schneider, Stanford University

Key Vulnerabilities and the Risk of "Dangerous" Climate Change

Barry Smit, University of Guelph

Incorporating Adaptation to Climate Change into Farm Management and Agricultural Policy

Elke Weber, Columbia University

Better Decision Making Under Climate Uncertainty: Lessons from Psychology

Julie Winkler, Michigan State University

Philosophy, Development, Application, and Communication of Future Scenarios for the Pileus Project

We welcome researchers, policy makers, and other Great Lakes Region stakeholders to attend this important event. Multi-disciplinary panels will serve as discussants. The Environmental Science and Policy Program is happy to offer this symposium free of charge; however, we ask that you please register if you plan to attend.

To register visit: <http://environment.msu.edu/climatechange/register.php>

DR. CHARLES A. AND MARJORIE A. GLIOZZO ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS (UNDERGRADUATES)

Through the generous support of Dr. Charles Gliozzo and his wife, Marjorie, this scholarship provides financial support for undergraduate MSU students to participate in approved accredited internship programs. Applicants must be MSU undergraduate students with an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher and accepted into an internship program as described below.

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There may be additional eligibility criteria that students may need to meet in order to receive credit. Financial need is not a factor in awarding this scholarship. Scholarships for variable amounts ranging from \$500 to \$1500 will be awarded to recipients.

The internship in which they participate:

- Must be credit granting and approved by a MSU College
- Must be 4 weeks minimum to one year maximum in duration
- Must take place during Summer 2007, Fall 2007, and/or Spring 2008
- May be domestic or international
- May be in tandem with any MSU Study Abroad Program
- May be affiliated with the US State Department, other governmental agencies, multinational organizations, or the private sector

For more information visit: http://studyabroad.msu.edu/internships/gliozzo_scholarship.pdf

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: INTER-AMERICAN DIALOGUE SUMMER 2007

The Inter-American Dialogue offers full and part-time volunteer internships in the Fall, Spring and Summer semesters for students interested in the dynamics of inter-American relations. The Dialogue is a forum for sustained exchange among leaders of the Western Hemisphere and an independent, nonpartisan center for policy analysis on economic and political relations in the Americas. It regularly convenes U.S. and Latin American leaders from the public and private sectors and diverse political perspectives to search for cooperative responses to hemispheric problems. Covering a wide scope of issues, it is engaged in an ambitious effort to improve the quality of debate and decision making on U.S.-Latin American relations and to promote new opportunities for hemispheric political, social, and economic cooperation.

Responsibilities:

- * As assigned, assist the president, associates and staff with research and writing on current issues affecting U.S.-Latin American relations. Program areas include democracy and human rights, multilateral governance, trade and economic relations, women leaders, and education policy reform. Country specific and regional topics (i.e. Central America, Cuba, Brazil and Peru) are also monitored
- * Attend and report on Washington-area briefings, working groups, and meetings
- * Write articles for Dialogue/Diálogo, the newsletter of the Inter-American Dialogue
- * Perform administrative tasks including: compiling press clippings, assisting in conference organization and out-

reach, editing and translating documents, and intermittent copying, faxing and mailings

Qualifications:

- * Undergraduate or graduate students majoring in the social sciences with a focus on Latin America/Caribbean
- * Demonstrated research and writing ability, plus excellent communications skills
- * Interest in the economic, social, and political issues affecting the Americas
- * Proficiency in English and Spanish and/or Portuguese
- * Computer proficiency in MSWord, Excel and the Internet.

Duration:

A minimum of eight 16-20 hour weeks are required during the Fall and Spring semesters. Summer interns are expected to work full-time (30-40 hours per week).

To Apply:

Please submit a cover letter, resume, brief writing sample (1-2 pages) and one letter of recommendation to the "Internship Coordinator" at the address below. Applications are accepted throughout the year; however please note the following deadline

DEADLINE: FOR SUMMER - MARCH 15, 2007.

For more information visit: <http://www.thedialogue.org/employment/intern.asp>

WORDCRAFT WEEKEND WITH RICHARD VAN CAMP

MARCH 16th: A Reading by Richard Van Camp
7:00 pm. Rm.108 Bessey Hall, MSU

Richard Van Camp is a member of the Dogrib (Tlicho) Nation in Fort Smith, NWT, Canada. Van Camp is a successful author including:

- The Lesser Blessed (a short story collection)
- Angel Wing Splash Pattern (a novel)
- A Man Called Raven (children's book)
- What's the Most Beautiful Thing You Know About Horses? (children's book).

Van Camp is Writer in Residence for CBC Radio's North by Northwest Program. He is also a community Native writing mentor and a widely anthologized author. He teaches Creative Writing in the first Nation Studies Program at University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

MARCH 17th: Workshop titles and times linked below.

These events are free. Pre-registration is required, for workshops.

See link for details: <http://aisp.msu.edu/march.html>

ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued***THE MSU INTERNATIONAL PREDISSENTATION TRAVEL AWARDS - 2007**

DEADLINE: MARCH 30, 2007

Download the Application Form (PDF) (http://www.isp.msu.edu/deadlines/dead_2.php)

Applications are being solicited for the 2007 Predissertation Travel Awards of up to \$5000. These awards are designed to provide funds for MSU PhD candidates in the predissertation stage in the Colleges of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR), Arts and Letters (CAL), Education (ED), and Social Science (SSC) for travel outside of the United States during one or more of these semesters: Summer, 2007, Fall, 2007, and Spring 2008.

Purposes: These awards support travel abroad to your intended dissertation research site for a minimum stay of 60* days in order to immerse yourself in the international research site; investigate the appropriateness of the research problem and methods; identify university, research institute, or NGO partners with which you will affiliate; identify collaborators or mentors in the country; increase your language proficiency; and obtain letters of affiliation or sponsorship from local institutions. The program seeks to assist MSU graduate students to develop competitive dissertation proposals in national fellowship competitions of the Fulbright, NSF, SSRC, and similar programs.

Who is eligible: U.S. and International PhD candidates in CANR, CAL, ED, and SSC, who are planning dissertation research in a country outside of the United States, and who have not begun the research.

Awards: Up to \$5,000 for reimbursing costs of international and local travel, lodging and meals per diem in the international country, and associated costs in the country (duplicating, taxis, affiliation fees, etc. - no equipment). The award may be used in conjunction with other funding, but will be adjusted accordingly.

Requirements:

- * Plan a minimum foreign stay of 60* days in the target research country(ies)
- * Demonstrate plans to submit proposal(s) to national or international competitions before, during, or after the predissertation experience
- * Complete and submit a report on the experience within 30 days of return to MSU
- * Have verification by your academic department that you are a doctoral student in good standing

* Have a letter of reference and support for the travel from your academic advisor and/or research advisor

*The student may request a waiver of the 60 days and provide a rationale for the exception. The committee will consider these requests on an individual basis

To apply visit:

http://www.isp.msu.edu/deadlines/docs/dead_2.pdf

Deadline: Submit all documents to Dr. Jenny Bond, Office of the Dean of International Studies and Programs, 209 International Center by 5:00 pm, March 30, 2007 for travel in Summer or Fall 2007 or Spring 2008. AWARDS WILL BE ANNOUNCED NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2007.

Questions: Dr. Jenny Bond, Acting Assistant Dean, International Studies and Programs, 517-355-2350

FULBRIGHT-HAYS GROUP PROJECTS ABROAD PROGRAM, ECUADOR:**CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN THE ANDEAN HIGHLANDS**

July 6-August 2, 2007

The Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad to Ecuador is a travel seminar to Ecuador open to Michigan K-12 teachers, Michigan State University Extension 4-H Youth Development Educators and Program Leaders, and Michigan State University graduate students in the field of education. The purpose of the GPA is to provide experiences from which to internationalize curriculum, gain an understanding of Ecuador, and learn or improve Spanish language skills. The program is designed for educators with a range of international experience, including those with little to no experience in the host country. All participants must demonstrate a need for and interest in internationalizing curriculum through a short-term study and travel experience. Areas the group will visit include Quito, Otavalo for language study, the Ecuadorian Amazonia, and the southern city of Cuenca. This opportunity is contingent upon funding.

Deadline for applications: April 15, 2007

For further information and application materials please visit the Website: <http://www.msu.edu/~ruonavaa/fhngpa-ecuador/Ecuador.html>

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ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued***INTERNATIONAL AWARDS CEREMONY 2007**

The International Awards Ceremony is hosted annually each spring by the Dean of International Studies and Programs. Its purpose is to bring together MSU faculty, staff, students, community volunteers, and others from the wider Michigan community to recognize and celebrate outstanding contributions toward international understanding.

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Third Floor Delia Koo International Academic Center

AFRICAN CULTURE WEEK GALA

Saturday, March 17, 2007, 5:00 pm in the Pasant Theatre of the Wharton Center.

Costs: Gala only \$10.00, (free for MSU Students), Dinner only \$7.00 (for everyone, including MSU students), Dinner + Gala is \$15.00

EAST LANSING FILM FESTIVAL

The East Lansing Film Festival is the largest and most diverse film festival in Michigan to screen independent and foreign feature, documentary, shorts, and students films from around the world. The ISP Dean's Office and various ISP units co-sponsor a number of international films each year. Individual ISP-sponsored films will be listed separately on this calendar. The complete festival listings will be posted at the URL <http://www.eiff.com>

All submissions for the next issue of the CASID Current for the Spring Semester 2007 are due by 12:00 pm on March 19th. 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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