EVENTS

Week of March 1

Sunday, March 1

Annual Forum in Comics: African Biography and History in World Comics
Sponsors: MSU Department of Art, Art History and Design, The Journal of Popular Culture, Clem's Comics and Games, The MSU Department of English, The MSU Special Collections Library, Hollow Mountain Comics, Games & Collectibles, the Residential College in the Arts and Humanities, MATRIX: The Center for Digital Humanities and Social Sciences, MSU Muslim Studies Program, and BRD Printing

12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, LookOut! Art Gallery, second floor of Snyder-Phillips Hall

This exhibit runs through March 4.

African Biography and History in World Comics, an exhibit presented by the Annual Comics Forum, will be displayed in LookOut! Art Gallery. The exhibit will feature examples from the Comic Art Collection housed in Michigan State University’s Special Collections. The Comic Art Collection holds over 200,000 items and is the primary library resource for the study of U.S. comic book publications.

Photography Exhibit: Borderless Captivity: The Face of Modern Slavery
Sponsor: MSU Global
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, MSU Global Gallery, Nisbet Building Suite 301
This exhibit runs through March 18.

Modern day slavery, or human trafficking as it is also known, exists in every country and in many guises. It is fueled by extreme poverty, corruption, cultural norms that devalue and commodify women and children in particular, and also by a seemingly insatiable demand for exploitive sex and cheap labor. These photographs are intended to put a human face on the statistics and headlines, to tell the stories of modern day enslavement and the journey towards freedom.

Guided Tours in Chinese: Future Returns
Sponsor: Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum
11:00 a.m., Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum

The Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum is giving special, guided tours in the Chinese language of the Future Returns: Contemporary Art From China exhibition. The tours will be given by outstanding international students from Michigan State University. All tours are free and open to the public.
Study Abroad Information Sessions
Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad

Information meetings are an opportunity to learn about a program from the program leader, find out about applying to study abroad, ask questions and meet with fellow study abroad participants.

University of the Philippines-Los Banos
Thursday, March 5
4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m., 302 International Center

University of the Philippines-Los Banos
Thursday, March 20
12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m., 302 International Center

Tuesday, March 3

Korean Coffee House
Sponsor: Asian Studies Center
6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m., 303 International Center

Learn about Korean culture while enjoying coffee, games, movies, music, and more.

Film Screening: “Flood”
Sponsor: Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum
7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m., Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum

Addressing the impact of water conservancy and flood prevention programs initiated by the Chinese government, director Dong Jun introduces us to the people living along Weihe River’s southern region. “Flood” looks closely at the first dam constructed in China 40 years ago and uncovers how the Sanmen Gorge Dam dramatically altered the Weihe River and the livelihood of those living off the surrounding land.

Spanish Conversation Hour
Sponsor: Department of Romance and Classical Studies
5:00 p.m., MSU Union, next to the post office.

“Pláticas” is an informal time for chatting in Spanish with other language learners and some TAs and instructors.

Wednesday, March 4

French Club Conversation Groups
Sponsor: Romance and Classical Studies
7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m., Rivertrail Neighborhood, C101T McDonel Hall
7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m., MSU Union, Engagement Center, second floor

Come to relax, have a good time, and practice your French every week. Attend the session that is most convenient for you.

“Debt Sustainability and Sustainable Development: The Case of Caribbean Countries”
Sponsor: Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies
3:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m., 201 International Center

Dr. Adullahi Abdulkadri, Associate Dean for Research and Innovation, Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus and Department of Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics Senior Lecturer, Michigan State University, will present his research.

Professional Development Workshop: “Research Data Management in Fisheries and Wildlife”
Sponsor: Fisheries and Wildlife Graduate Student Organization
3:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.
338 Natural Resources

Eric Tans, Environmental Sciences Librarian, Michigan State University, will speak as part of the Fisheries and Wildlife Spring Seminar Series

“Sustaining Credit Arrangements for Modern Input Use: Lessons from a Lab-based Field Experiment”
Sponsor: Economics
12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m., Koo Room of Marshall-Adams Hall

Serge G. Adjognon, Ph.D. student in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics, Michigan State University, will speak as part of the Department of Economics’ Development Lunch Seminar Series.
Friday, March 6

“From Heat to Electricity with Thermoelectric Materials: The Story of Nanostructuring”
Sponsor: Engineering
11:30 a.m., 1400 Biomedical and Physical Sciences

Mercouri Kanatzidis, Professor in the Department of Chemistry, Northwestern University, will speak as part of the interdisciplinary Science at the Edge Seminar Series.

Week of March 8

Thursday, March 12

“How Information Technologies Are Transforming Agricultural Conservation”
Sponsor: MSU Institute of Water Research
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Kellogg Center

This workshop will highlight successes in developing and utilizing interactive geographic information systems, models and other tools to enhance engagement and inform decision-making in agricultural contexts. The event will feature system demonstrations, case studies and panel discussions. The workshop is open to the public, but advanced registration is required by Feb. 27, 2015. For more information, visit: http://ag-it-workshop.weebly.com/

African Tea
Sponsor: African Studies Center
4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., 303 International Center

This tea will focus on Botswana and Namibia.

Week of March 15

Sunday, March 15

Deadline for Summer, Fall and Academic Year Study Abroad Programs and Scholarships
Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad

Deadline for applying to summer, fall and academic year programs and scholarships is March 15. Acceptance may take a week or several weeks depending on various factors, such as how far in advance you have applied. You will be notified of your acceptance status by an official email from the Office of Study Abroad.

Monday, March 16

Photo Exhibit: In the Shadow of Cortés: From Veracruz to Mexico City
Sponsor: Residential College in the Arts and Humanities (RCAH)
12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, LookOut! Art Gallery, second floor of Snyder-Phillips Hall
This exhibit runs through April 17.

Michigan State University is pleased to host In the Shadow of Cortés: From Veracruz to Mexico City, designed and prepared by Professor Kathleen Myers (Indiana University) with photographs by Steven Raymer (National Geographic and Indiana University). The images in this exhibit record a journey along Cortés’s route of conquest, and interviews with the people who live in these places today. This journey reveals much about Mexico’s complex identity and the variety of ways to understand the legacy of a conquest that took place nearly 500 years ago.
**Tuesday, March 17**

**Linking All Types of Teachers to International Cross-Cultural Education (LATTICE) Workshop**

Sponsor: the Center for Advanced Study of International Development (CASID)

12:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Spartan Village Community Center

LATTICE members meet for monthly presentations, discussions, food, and music with topics ranging from the personal to the global. LATTICE initiates dynamic interaction on issues that concern educators throughout the world and strives to advance greater understanding on issues of diversity.

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**Wednesday, March 18**

**“Helping Students ‘Pack for’ and ‘Unpack’ their International Learning Experiences”**

Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Lake Superior Room, MSU Union

Beginning with an overview of the connections between the before, during, and after components of study abroad, this session then introduces models for (1) pre-departure orientation sessions designed to optimize student learning and development abroad by providing frameworks for engagement on site; and (2) post-program reflection that can assist students in connecting their international and on-campus learning and development. Participants will learn about MSU’s “Packing For and Unpacking Your Study Abroad Experience” workshops and receive tools for how to help students connect skills gained on study abroad to their academic, personal, and professional development. Registration is required and free. Lunch will be provided. For more information, visit: http://fod.msu.edu

**On the Possibility of Maize Green Revolution in Highlands of Kenya: An Assessment of Emerging Intensive Farming Systems**

Sponsor: Economics

12:00p.m.-1:00p.m., 75 Agriculture Hall

Rie Muraoka, Ph.D. student in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics, Michigan State University, will speak as part of the Department of Economics’ Development Lunch Seminar Series.

**Thursday, March 19**

**Water Networking Event**

Sponsor: MSU Water Science Network

3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m., Red Cedar B, Kellogg Center

MSU faculty and postdocs: please attend this networking event. Come meet the new water hires and connect with others from across campus who are interested in water.
"Framing the African Refuge Woman: Media Witnessing and Human Rights Discourse"
Sponsor: African Studies Center
12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m., 201 International Center
Emilie Diouf, graduate student in the Department of History, Michigan State University, will speak as part of the African Studies Center’s Eye on Africa Seminar Series.

"Preparing Today’s Student for Study Abroad"
Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad (OSA)
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., 204 International Center
In support of their commitment to the Institute of International Education’s Generation Study Abroad initiative, the Office of Study Abroad has registered for the NAFA webinar: “How Can We Better Prepare Today’s Student for a Meaningful Education Abroad Experience? As Students and Campus Demographics Change, Our Models for Outreach, Advising, and Orientation Must Change as Well.”

Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics Graduate Research Symposium
Sponsor: Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics
2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture
The Graduate Research Symposium showcases research by Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics (AFRE) graduate students across many fields. Awards are offered for best presentation of 1) research at the idea stage; 2) research in progress; and 3) completed research.

"Love, Sex and Greed: Reflecting Gender and Class in French Comic Opera"
Sponsors: Center for Gender in Global Context and MSU Women’s Resource Center
12:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m., MSU Museum Auditorium
Marcie Ray, Assistant Professor in the College of Music, Michigan State University, will make a presentation as part of the Our Daily Work/Our Daily Lives Series. The series explores and presents the richness and diversity of worker experience and workers culture through an ongoing program of exhibits, lectures and presentations; writing and research projects; and reunions, dialogues, demonstrations and discussions.

Friday, March 20
Round Table: “Women’s and Gender Studies in Turkey”
Sponsor: Center for Gender in Global Context
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m., 201 International Center
This presentation provides an overview of Women’s and Gender Studies programs within Turkey, past and present. Based upon this survey of historical developments and ongoing trends, the potential for collaborative projects with Turkish institutions of higher education is then assessed. This appraisal is based largely on observations derived from an MSU Strategic Partnership inquiry of various public and private universities in Istanbul and Izmir that was conducted during Summer 2014 by the MSU faculty participating in this presentation.

"The Maurerschulen (Brick Mason Schools) at Auschwitz"
Sponsor: Center for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Wells Hall B-342
Kenneth Waltzer, Professor at James Madison College, Michigan State University, will deliver a presentation exploring whether and how the Maurerschule was a haven and refuge, offering asylum to young prisoners, a school for critical skills and credentialing that helped some survive in the Nazi camp universe, or just another space in Auschwitz, with prisoners subjected to selections, medical experiments, and unyielding Nazi terror.

"Exploring the Disturbance Ecology of Forest Lepidopteran Communities Using Measures of Resistance and Resilience"
Sponsor: Entomology
3:00 p.m., refreshments served at 2:45, 244 Natural Science Building
Keith Summerville, Professor of Environmental Science and Policy, Drake University, will speak as part of the Entomology Seminar Series.

"From Gweru to the GRAMMY’S: The Journey of an African Cosmopolitan Musician"
Sponsor: African Studies Center
12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m., 201 International Center
Dr. Isaac Kalumbu, Program Manager for The MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program at MSU, will speak as part of the African Studies Center’s Eye on Africa Seminar Series.
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Center for Gender in Global Context: Summer 2015 Internship Opportunity
Sponsor: Center for Gender in Global Context (Gen Cen)

If you have an internship or community engagement requirement to fulfill for your major, the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) internship program offers internship coordination services and support to MSU undergraduate and graduate students interested in gender issues related to social justice, human rights, community development, reproductive health, domestic violence, and/or environmental health and justice. The internship is designed to help students explore gender-related career fields while gaining valuable hands-on experience at local, national or international organizations. **The deadline to apply is Sunday, March 1.**

Internship Details:
- Work with the GenCen Internship Coordinator to find the right organization for you and to arrange for MSU credit
- Flexible schedules - fall and spring internships are typically ten hours per week
- Students can complete international GenCen internships along with some MSU study abroad programs
- Advanced undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to apply
- Most internships are unpaid, however some offer work-study to eligible students. Students are encouraged to contact the GenCen internship coordinator to discuss upcoming scholarship opportunities.

For more information, including an application and lists of potential local, national, and international internship opportunities, please go to: http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/academics/internships.htm

Intensive Swahili in Zanzibar, Summer 2015 - University of Oregon
Sponsor: African Studies Center

The University of Oregon is excited to announce a new study abroad opportunity to study the Swahili language in Zanzibar, beginning summer 2015. Applications are now being accepted. **The deadline is Sunday, March 1.**

This program is open to all college students, no experience in Swahili is required, and students will earn 16 units of academic credit from the University of Oregon during the 8-week program. Students will study the language at an accelerated pace through daily classes and full immersion into Swahili culture, history, politics and religion on the Indian Ocean island of Zanzibar. The program can accommodate all levels of Swahili speakers from first year to fourth year. The program will run from July 5, 2015 to August 29, 2015. Full information, and applications are available at the University of Oregon Study Abroad website: http://international.uoregon.edu/tanzania/zanzibar
In recent years there has been a major increase in the number of programs devoted to Women’s and Gender Studies within Turkey. From the outside, this appears to be an entirely positive development. Within Turkey, however, conversations among academics reveal significant measures of concern and anxiety over this trend. Indeed, some Turkish scholars depict these programs’ establishment, organizational structure, and even their names as expressions of the current government’s conservative agenda. This presentation provides an overview of Women’s and Gender Studies programs within Turkey, past and present. Based upon this survey of historical developments and ongoing trends, the potential for collaborative projects with Turkish institutions of higher education is then assessed. This appraisal is based largely on observations derived from an MSU Strategic Partnership inquiry of various public and private universities in Istanbul and Izmir that was conducted during Summer 2014 by the MSU faculty participating in this presentation. There will be a round-table consisting of presentations from participants, followed by opportunities for questions-and-answers and discussion.

Emine Ö. Evered, PhD, is Associate Professor of History.
Michelle Kaminski, PhD, is Associate Professor of Human Resources & Labor Relations.
Stacy Hickox, J.D., is Assistant Professor of Human Resources & Labor Relations.
Hannah Brenner, J.D., is Lecturer in Law, College of Law.

This event is free and open to the public.
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Deadline for Gilman Scholarship
Sponsor: Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the U.S. Department of State

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and is open to all U.S. citizen undergraduates, in good academic standing, who meet the criteria listed below:

• The applicant must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant or provide proof that he/she will be receiving a Pell Grant at the time of application or during the term of his/her study abroad program or internship.
• The applicant is applying to or has been accepted into a study abroad program or internship eligible for credit by the student's accredited institution of higher education in the U.S.
• The applicant is studying or interning abroad for at least four weeks in one country. Programs going to more than one country are eligible if the student will be in one country for at least four consecutive weeks.
• The applicant is studying or interning abroad in any country except Cuba or a country on the U.S. Department of State’s current Travel Warning List.

Applications for the Gilman Scholarship are due on Tuesday, March 3. For more information, see: http://iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program