Friday, April 17, 2009

Beautiful spring in Syracuse, NY

! Important Announcements!

- On-Campus Employment seminar for Tuesday, April 21, will be held at 3:00pm instead of 2:00pm (for that day only).
- To accommodate student requests at this busy time of the semester, we will have additional Travel Seminars from April 27th until May 8th.
  
  Monday, 4/27 and 5/4 @ 2:00pm  
  Tuesday, 4/28 and 5/5 @ 5:00pm  
  Wednesday, 4/29 and 5/6 @ 1:30pm  
  Thursday, 4/30 and 5/7 @ 12:00pm  
  Friday, 5/1 and 5/8 @ 9:00am

  Also we will have additional Practical Training Seminars, which will be scheduled every Wednesday from April 22nd until May 27th.

  Curricular Practical Training (CPT) – 3:00pm  
  Optional Practical Training (OPT) – 3:45pm

- In addition, we will have a "Walk In PT Step 2 Service" session next Tuesday (SU Showcase), April 21, from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Slutzker Center (for more information please read below).

- Students who are planning to do an Internship this summer should apply for Curricular Practical Training (CPT).

- If you would like to request Practical Training authorization after your May graduation please attend an OPT seminar. Also, you can find all the necessary OPT information and the application process here.

- Graduate Students who are intending to graduate this May 2009 must complete the File Diploma Request process in MySlice by established deadlines, published as http://graduate.syr.edu/graduation/diploma_request.pdf by the Graduate School. This will activate the certification process and awarding of your degree.

Ready to apply for Curricular or Optional Practical Training? We have a great opportunity for you!

At this time of the semester, appointment requests for curricular and optional practical training begin to "back up."

The SCIS will have a "Walk In PT Step 2 Service" session next Tuesday (SU Showcase), April 21, from 3 to 6 p.m.
at the Slutzker Center. Only one advisor will be on hand to process your applications on a first come, first served basis. You may have to wait, so please bring something to read, or plan to watch television or work on the computer. We will process as many student applications as possible during the three hours. If we have more applications than we can process, we will take them in and work on them throughout the rest of the week.

Please be sure to have all documents completed and ready for advisor review. We will work diligently to see as many students as possible during this time. If you feel that your case needs personal attention or you have many questions, please call our office to schedule a regular CPT or OPT Step 2 appointment so that your case can get the attention it needs.

We hope that this extra service will meet the needs of students who are applying for practical training. Of course, we will continue our regular schedule of CPT and OPT Step 2 appointments throughout April and May. We look forward to serving you.

The Syracuse International Film Festival
April 24 - May 3

The Syracuse International Film Festival is proud to announce the opening of advanced sales for SYRFFILMFEST ’09. All international films are shown with English subtitles unless otherwise noted. Not all programming is appropriate for children under 14. For more details and information about the movies please follow the link: http://www.syrfilmfest.com/films/

Important dates to remember:

April 24, 2009
Opening Event - Palace Theater, Ben Hur

April 25, 2009
Focus on CNY Films - Palace, Everson Museum

April 26, 2009
Films: Political Resistance - LeMoyne College

April 28, 2009
Russian Program: Disabilities in Film - Weiskotten Auditorium

April 30, 2009
Appaloosa Film and Party - Palace Theater and Daisy Dukes

May 1, 2009
Vinial Technologies Drive-In - Montgomery Street - Free!

May 2, 2009
New Technologies in Animation with Disney/Pixar's "Up"

May 2, 2009
Filmmaker Awards Party - MOST - Los Blancos

May 3, 2009
Closing Event - World's Greatest Dad and Party - Palace Theater and Ohm Lounge

6th Annual SYRACUSE KOREAN FILM FESTIVAL
Free Admission / English Subtitles
HBC Kitttridge Auditorium

Korean Cine Forum, associated with the department of Transmedia/Film and Korean Student Association of Syracuse University, would like to present the Syracuse Korean Film Festival (SKFF). It is scheduled between April 16 ~ 18 and it will be held in the HBC Kitttridge Auditorium at Syracuse University. The main goal of the Syracuse Korean Film Festival is to introduce unique contemporary Korean cinema to the Syracuse community,
thereby enhancing a cultural understanding among the SU and local ethnic communities, and give people a chance to experience cultural differences between the Third World cinema and US/Hollywood cinema through the films. Selected films have received awards from some prominent international film festivals and will be presented with English subtitles. I am sure that it must be a great opportunity to understand Korea through the films because they reflect Korean culture, society and history in each of them. This event is not only intended for Korean audience but also for people who are eager to enjoy the uniqueness of Korean cinema.

**Thursday, April 16th 2009**
5:15 pm  My Dear Enemy (멋진 하루)
Directed by Lee Yoon-Ki / 12 up / Romance Drama / 123 min
7:30 pm  Rough Cut (영화는 영화다)
Directed by Jang Hun / 18 up / Action / 113 min

**Friday, April 17th 2009**
5:15 pm  Sunny (님은 먼 곳에)
Directed by Lee Jun-Ik / 12 up / Drama / 126 min
7:30 pm  The Good, The Bad, The Weird (좋은놈, 나쁜놈, 이상한놈)
Directed by Kim Ji Woon / 15 up / Action / 130 min

**Saturday, April 18th 2009**
3:00 pm  Forever the Moment (우리 생애 최고의 순간)
Directed by Lim Soon-Rye / NR / Drama / 124 min
5:15 pm  The Chaser (추격자)
Directed by Na Hong-Jin / 18 up / Thriller / 125 min

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**FREE BUS SERVICE FROM NOB HILL TO SU**
Starting March 30th!!

There will be BLUE and WHITE buses providing FREE service from Nob Hill Apartments to Syracuse University. This service positively affects folks living in Nob Hill, Newberry Apts, Clarendon Heights, Hidden Valley, etc.

**PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!!**
This is a trial run. If not enough students ride these buses they will not be available next semester.

For Bus Routes please click [here](http://international.syr.edu/scis_archive/SCISnews_4-17-2009.htm) and for the Bus Schedule please click [here](http://international.syr.edu/scis_archive/SCISnews_4-17-2009.htm).

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**Asian Pacific American Heritage Month**

Starting this Wednesday, Syracuse University will host a variety of events marking Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. Asian Pacific American Heritage Month is a national commemoration that SU chooses to celebrate several weeks early, to provide for all students, faculty and staff to learn about the significant contributions of Asian Pacific American people and to have dialogue about important issues.

Working in collaboration with recognized student organizations and a team of dedicated individuals, the Office of Multicultural Affairs has coordinated a calendar of workshops, film screenings, and community events celebrating the month's theme. The calendar is attached; contact OMA at 443-9676 for more information.

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**DO YOU LIKE TO PERFORM?**
WANT TO SHARE YOUR UNIQUE CULTURE?

The Maxwell School's Annual CULTURAL FAIR, presented by the graduate International Relations Student Association is seeking performers: groups/duo/solo singers, dancers, musicians and poets. CULTURAL FAIR on APRIL 21, 2009. For more information, please contact:

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irsa.culturalfair@gmail.com

Happy Orthodox Easter (Pascha)!

On Holy Thursday the bright dyed red eggs that are symbolic of Easter. Tradition says that the Virgin Mother, Mary, dyed eggs this color to celebrate the Resurrection of Christ and to celebrate life. Every Orthodox family prepares these eggs as part of the Easter Sunday Resurrection Table. Otherwise, the women in Orthodox families are busy baking cookies and traditional sweet bread for the Easter feast. Holy Saturday is filled with anticipation of the religious celebration of Easter and the Resurrection. People begin to gather in the churches and squares in cities, towns and villages by 11 p.m. for the Easter services. Large white candles are carried by just about all of the faithful. At midnight the church bells toll as the priests announce...Christ is Risen! Fireworks are set off, in some areas guns shots are fired and the each person in the crowd answers with the joyous responses of - Truly He is risen and - True is The Lord.

The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is the center of the Orthodox Christian faith. Twelve weeks of preparation precede it. This is made up of pre-Lenten Sundays, Great Lent, and Holy Week. The faithful try to make this long journey with repentance, forgiveness, reconciliation, prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and study. When the feast finally arrives, it is celebrated with a collection of services combined as one. To learn more about the history of the Orthodox Easter Holiday, visit: http://orthodoxwiki.org/Pascha

"Celebrating and Understanding Religious and Traditional Holidays Around the World"

If you would like to submit an article, with an appropriate JPG photo, featuring an upcoming holiday from your cultural or religious tradition, please submit to lescis@syr.edu by the Monday preceding that week's SCISNEWS. We will review your material and photo, and if we have any questions, we will contact you. We hope to broaden the understanding of the world through this feature.
Applications for the 2009-2010 NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program (NUFP) are now available on-line.

http://www.naspa.org/programs/nufp.cfm

The NASPA Undergraduate Fellows program is a semi-structured mentoring program for undergraduate students wishing to explore and better understand the field of student affairs and/or higher education. Students and mentors apply as a pair, and if selected are provided the foundation to establish a semi-structured mentoring relationship at their institution. Students, once selected, are known as Fellows, and are also given the opportunity to attend a national conference, participate in paid internships, and participate in the Summer Leadership Institute.

Admissions Requirements: To be considered for admission to the NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program, each applicant must meet the requirements listed below, have a NASPA members agree to serve as a mentor, and have the support of their institution's Senior Student Affairs Officer.

- Identify as a member of a traditionally underrepresented student population, i.e. Black/African American, Asian, Hispanic/Latino(a), Indigenous (Native American, Alaskan, Hawaiian), Multiethnic, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, and/or having a physical or psychological impairment; and
- Have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA at the time of application. Applicants with a 2.7 cumulative GPA will receive preference in the review process.

Completed applications must be submitted to the Office of Multicultural Affairs by Monday, April 20th 5:00 p.m.

All questions and concerns about NUFP should be directed to Syracuse University's NUFP coordinator, Tae-Sun Kim, associate director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Euclid Avenue Door Hanger Distribution, Volunteers Needed

On Sunday, April 19th from 4-6pm, The Office of Orientation and Off-Campus Programs will be organizing an educational outreach program in collaboration with the Office of Government and Community Relations, Department of Public Safety and Student Association. Off-campus students who live on and adjacent to Euclid Avenue will be distributed information on City Ordinance and NYS Law, emergency numbers and neighbor relations. Volunteers are needed to help distribute this information and have conversations with the residents concerning their potential festivities off-campus during SI Showcase on April 21. If you are able to volunteer or if you have questions please email Darya Rotblat at darotbla@syr.edu.

Get Involved at the R.A.P.E. Center!

The R.A.P.E. Center is a place where there is always something to get involved in, from being on the stage to helping prepare for trainings, programs and events.

For more information about volunteer opportunities at the R.A.P.E. Center, contact Jill Sneider through e-mail at jasneide@syr.edu or by phone (315-443-7126). You can also visit our website at http://students.syr.edu/rapecenter/

Motivational Quote of the Week:

"When you have a number of disagreeable duties to perform, always do the most disagreeable first." by
Josiah Quincy

"Most people spend their lives looking but not truly seeing." by Joe Navarro

"People use their intuition with things they care about. Many women are most intuitive with their relationships and children, whereas men often show a great degree of 'gut instinct' in work and business." by Sonia Choquette

"Work spares us from three evils: boredom, vice, and need." by Voltaire

Note:
If you would like to submit a request to publish your news or events in our SCISNEWS letter. Please contact Daniela Baban Hurrle at dbabashu@syr.edu

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