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## Slutzker Center News and Events

### Glacier Tax Prep Now Available

The Slutzker Center for International Services is happy to inform you that you can now request an access code for GLACIER TAX PREP, the web-based income tax preparation software for filing your federal tax forms. Access is only available to current SU international students and scholars, including those participating in OPT or AT.

[Apply for access now](#)

It is important that you complete all fields on the form to receive an access code. There is a maximum of 3 – 5 business days turnaround time for the access code. If you don't receive a response within this time period, please contact us immediately.



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### Tax Seminar Watson Theatre February 28, 1-4pm

Need help with your taxes? The Slutzker Center will hold a tax seminar for international students and scholars who are considered non-residents for tax filing purposes.

There will be representatives from both the Federal and State giving the seminar and they will address any questions you may have after the presentation.



Documents to bring with you to the seminar:

1. 1042 received from SU Payroll Office in your MySlice (if you worked on campus in 2013)
2. W-2 form from your MySlice.
3. W-2 form received from any other employer if you worked elsewhere in 2013 (i.e. curricular practical training)
4. Printed copy of form 1040NR-EZ, or bring your laptop

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### **Club Francophonie Still Welcoming Participants**

Bienvenue Au Coin du Francais!

SCIS Welcomes all French Speakers from around the globe to come together for friendship, food, cultural exchange and fun!

The next meeting of Club Francophonie will be held at SCIS on Thursday, February 20 from 17:30 – 19:30.

If you are interested in joining, there are still spots open. Undergraduate/Graduate students, scholars, and spouses/partners are all eligible to participate in this free program.

Come in to the Slutzker Center to sign-up or email [mdekleer@syr.edu](mailto:mdekleer@syr.edu) or [ejvoigt@syr.edu](mailto:ejvoigt@syr.edu).



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### **Connections Program Hiring Mentors for Fall 2014**

The [Connections Program](#) is hiring Mentors for paid positions to help newly-arrived undergraduate international students make a successful transition to SU. If you would like to help new students learn how to connect to other students, faculty and resources on the Syracuse University campus, please apply.

Students who are interested in this intensive support program are encouraged to review the [application materials](#). You must be in Syracuse and able to begin work on Saturday, August 16, 2014. If you are interested and qualified, please submit your application by Friday, March 7, 2014 at 5pm to [lescis@syr.edu](mailto:lescis@syr.edu).



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**Helpful Hints from SCIS:  
Have you filed Form 8843?**

You may not know it, but even if you did NOT earn any income in the US in 2013, you still need to file a Form 8843.

Anyone considered a non-resident for tax purposes must file Form 8843, if the person was:

- present in the US in 2013
- present in the US under F, J, M, or Q status

Please visit the [Taxes section](#) of the SCIS website for further details.

If you have a question or concern that you would like addressed in a future "Helpful Hints" article, please send an email to [lescis@syr.edu](mailto:lescis@syr.edu). Maybe your question will be featured in next week's issue!



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### Picture of the Week

This photo was taken by Rouzbeh Berton, a PhD candidate in Civil and Environmental Engineering. He took this picture of White Mountain while attending the Geological Society of America conference in March 2013, held in Bretton Woods, NH. Professional hikers practice over the White Mountain range before heading to Mount Everest. The ski resort is stretched as a white line all the way from the summit to the valley bottom. Rouzbeh notes that the color contrasts in his picture invite us to think about how various land cover responds to severely cold weather conditions.



For the chance to have your picture featured as Picture of the Week, please send it via email to [lescis@syr.edu](mailto:lescis@syr.edu) with the subject line of "Picture of the Week." Submissions can be from anywhere on the globe!

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## Syracuse University Events

### **Resumania** 235 Schine Center February 7, 11am-3:30pm

Students can visit Career Services for a one-on-one resume critique with employer experts. Companies participating include J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., General Electric, Finish Line, UTC, and more. Students will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis. Don't miss this opportunity to hear directly from the employers hiring SU students!

For more information, visit [Career Services](#).



### **Student Leadership Symposium: Think Outside the Box** SU Sheraton Hotel & Conference Center February 8, 11am-4pm

The leadership symposium is a half-day program (lunch provided) for undergraduate students at Syracuse University. The symposium will focus on a single aspect of leadership and will challenge participants to consider the selected topic's relationship to the process of leadership. This year's focus will be Arts and Leadership.

This event is intended to bring together the ideas of art, creativity, and leadership and we hope our attendees come away with the following ideas:

- How to get outside of your box
- How to integrate artistic creativity in a professional setting
- Tapping into your creative mind
- Communicating your creativity effectively

For more information, contact Kerry Foxx at 443-2718 or email [kwfoxx@syr.edu](mailto:kwfoxx@syr.edu).



### **Disabilifunk** Schine Underground February 8, 6-9pm

Disability Student Union, SU's student-led disability cultural organization comprised of students with and without disabilities, will host Disabilifunk. This will be a night of karaoke and entertainment for everyone. The goal is to engage in an inclusive atmosphere with an exciting series of performances. Disabilifunk will feature The Mandarins, First

Year Players, and Zamboni Revolution, among others. Free tickets are available at the Schine Box Office.

The President of the Disability Student Union, Leah Nussbaum, says, "The fact that we're opening the stage for karaoke in between performances makes it an amazing event with diverse musicians and talent, but also a place to be who you are and to have fun."

Please contact Kaylah Wicks at [kawicks@syr.edu](mailto:kawicks@syr.edu) for any accommodation requests. American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation and light refreshments will be provided. Facebook [event page](#) has related information.



## Living SU Has Launched

The new [LivingSU](#) website is up and running! The new site shows all student organization events in one place, along with campus life programs and services. Social media sharing functions are built into the site, so events can be shared with ease from one location.

Check it out today and see what events are of interest to you using the sites customized search engine. If you are a member of a student organization, get your events posted to LivingSU by entering the event details into OrgSync.



## Cultural and Community Events

### **Syracuse Opera Presents Maria de Buenos Aires OnCenter, Carrier Theater February 7, 8pm February 9, 2pm**

The world's only opera composed in the seductive language of Argentine tango brings together the ethereal and the physical to reveal the spiritual journey of the opera's heroine. Astor Piazzolla has mastered the musical language of this dance form to dramatize the life of Maria, who searches recklessly for love. Each step she takes is driven by haunting melodies and accompanied by an orchestra unique to the Argentine sound. The drama is real, the music is imperative, and your experience will be unforgettable.

Sung in Spanish with projected English titles. Only two shows left! For more information and to purchase tickets, visit the



[Syracuse Opera.](#)

## 50 Years of the Beatles Landmark Theatre February 8, 7pm

This will be the most elaborate local production ever staged in celebration of The Beatles impact on American music...and the world. Being held 'The Night Before' the actual 50th anniversary of their inaugural appearance on The Ed Sullivan Show, which was viewed by over 72 million people. And before they went to bed, millions of teenagers asked their parents to take them to their local music stores, and to buy them a guitar or drums so they could be "just like The Beatles".

This show will feature over TWO DOZEN SAMMY Hall of Famer's and award winners who were those teenagers on that fateful night - February 9, 1964. They will perform versions of Beatles songs that touched their lives growing up, and inspired their music careers...some of whom went on to the national spotlight.

For more information, visit the [Landmark Theatre.](#)



## Kokedama Carol Watson Greenhouse February 9, 1:30-3pm

Kokedama (translation "moss ball") is the practice of removing a root system from its container, surrounding it in a mud cake, then wrapping the whole mess in moss before winding it in string.

The original Japanese form of kokedama was then displayed



on an altar-like platform. They can also be hung in the air.  
Registration - \$7.50; Materials - \$12.50. Please call  
315.677.0286 to register.

For more information, visit the [Carol Watson Greenhouse](#).

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## Quotes to keep you thinking

- "If you do not think about your future, you cannot have one." – **John Galsworthy**
- "Only through art can we emerge from ourselves and know what another person sees." – **Marcel Proust**
- "Know or listen to those who know." – **Baltasar Gracian**
- "Our human compassion binds us the one to the other - not in pity or patronizingly, but as human beings who have learnt how to turn our common suffering into hope for the future." – **Nelson Mandela**

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