

CHATHAM CULTURAL CONNECTIONS



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MULTICULTURAL EVENTS

Sponsored by Student Affairs

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Multicultural Welcome Back Barbecue

6:00 p.m., 126 Woodland Road

This event will provide students with a chance to mingle with new and returning minority students. It will also be an unveiling of new programs and initiatives geared for minority students. First Chatham Kick Back to follow.

Chatham Kick Backs

7:00 p.m., Every other Tuesday

September 8 at 126 Woodland Road

September 22; October 6, 27; November 10, 24; and

December 8 in Woodland Classroom

Biweekly series that address issues related to success in college, conveys more knowledge of culture, and provides an opportunity to interact and network with other students, faculty and staff, and the community.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

August Wilson Center for African American Culture presents "Drum Talk 2009"

8:00 p.m. (Meet at 6:30 p.m. at Chapel for transportation)
980 Liberty Avenue (Downtown)

Feel the international rhythms of master drummers from across the globe in this extraordinary four-day weekend of master classes and exhilarating concerts featuring Giovanni Hidalgo, Glenn Velez, Zakira Hussein, Takumi Kato, The Army Drill Band, The Irish Drummers, Native-American: Rainbow Eagle, and more. Tickets are free on a limited basis (sign up through my.Chatham) or \$12 through August Wilson Center with student ID.

GET CULTURED SERIES

Sponsored by Student Affairs and the Writing, Literary, and Cultural Studies Department

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Jazz Poetry Concert

7:30-9:45 p.m. (Meet at 6:30 p.m. at Chapel for transportation)

300-400 block of Sampsonia Way (North Side) *Rain site:*
New Hazlett Theater

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Andy Warhol Museum

6:00-9:00 p.m., (Meet at 5:00 p.m. at Chapel for transportation)

117 Sandusky Street (North Side)

Free with Student ID

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

Pittsburgh Symphony's "Four Seasons"

8:00 p.m. (Meet at 6:30 p.m. at Chapel for transportation)

Heinz Hall, 600 Penn Avenue (Downtown)

Tickets are free on a limited basis (look for sign up through my.Chatham) or \$12 through Pittsburgh Symphony with student ID.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Carnegie Museum of Art

5:00-8:00 p.m (Meet at 4:00 p.m. at Chapel for transportation)

4400 Forbes Avenue (Oakland)

Free with student ID

ALL FAITH WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAYS

September 13, 27; October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22; and December 6

9:00 p.m., Campbell Memorial Chapel

The All Faith Worship is a time for all students, faculty, and community members to come together to worship. The service will focus on involving and promoting friendly relations between different religions. The worship service will also provide opportunities for spiritual reflection and meditation.

Sponsored by Student Affairs

GLOBAL FOCUS YEAR OF AFRICA: THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

West African Theme Lunch-Mali

11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Anderson Dining Hall

Join Parkhurst for the first Global Focus Lunch celebrating Mali Independence Day! Use your meal plan or \$6.75.

Sponsored by Parkhurst.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

West African Theme Lunch-Nigeria

11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Anderson Dining Hall

Global Focus Lunch celebrating Nigerian Independence Day! Use your meal plan or \$6.75.

Sponsored by Parkhurst

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

Jazz Imaginings of Africa: Aesthetics, Memory, and the African Cultural Continuum"

4:00 p.m., James Laughlin Music Hall

Performance and discussion by Dr. Kenan Foley and Dr. Anicet Mundundu.

Sponsored by Global Focus

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

Symposium: "Composition in Africa: Transmission and Reception"

2:00 -4:30 p.m., James Laughlin Music Center

Performance by Dr. Akin Euba, Mellon Professor of Music at the University of Pittsburgh. Chamber music concert with works by African composers follows an intermission & refreshments.

Sponsored by Global Focus

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

Reunion 2009: Global Focus Tribute

1:00-4:00 p.m., Printmaking Studio

Make your own Batik print with Gambian artist, Saihou Njie.

1:00-4:00 p.m., Quad

Listen to tales told by Temujin, the traditional African storyteller.

Sponsored by Global Focus and Alumni Relations

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17 TO SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Preparatory Conference The Way Forward in Darfur & South Sudan

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Mellon Board Room & Eddy Theatre
Chatham University will host a national conference March 18-20, 2010 to bring together Darfuri, South Sudanese representatives, and various experts for discussions, advancement of any mutual program points, and ongoing awareness raising and advocacy. These two days are meant to involve Chatham students actively in all the detailed planning. For-credit modules will be made available for students ready to engage in more substantial research activities; especially on the sub-theme of "Women in Darfur."

Sponsored by Global Focus



"Differences challenge assumptions."

— Anne Wilson Schaefer

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Breakthrough, part of African Film Festival

6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., Sanger Lecture Hall

Come watch the film and listen to a guest speaker on female genital mutilations.

Sponsored by Global Focus

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Campus Visit by Sefi Atta, Award Winning Nigerian Female Writer

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., PCW Room

Lunch discussion: "My life & work"

7:30-9:30 p.m., Welker Room

Public reading, book signing, and Q & A session

Sponsored by Global Focus & College for Continuing and Professional Studies

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Palaver Tree "Spirituality and Development and Development out of Africa"

11:30 a.m.-12:25 p.m., Conover Room

Students will be engaged by Professor Karen Williams (MFA) and Professor Tompson Makahamadze in casual conversation on their personal views on moral values and how they affect development in certain regions of Africa.

Sponsored by Global Focus

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

A Medicine-Man in Ghana

6:30-9:30 p.m., Sanger Lecture Hall

Come watch the film and listen to a guest speaker on traditional religions.

Sponsored by Global Focus

"Diversity is the one true thing we all have in common. Celebrate it every day."

~Anonymous

"Diversity is the magic. It is the first manifestation, of a thing and of simple identity. The greater

INTERNATIONAL FILM SERIES

Sponsored by International Student Services & Student Affairs

All films will be shown from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in Sanger Lecture Hall.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

The New Americans, part of Chatham Welcome Weeks Festivities

This documentary chronicles the lives of new American citizens as they navigate their new citizenship and dual identities.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Searching for Asian America

This feature follows several Asian Americans on their journeys to careers in public services and discovering what it means to be Asian American.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Lost Boys of Sudan

This film follows a group of young male Sudanese refugees as they are relocated from a refugee camp in Kenya to the US. The men face obstacles at every corner and the film offers an interesting ethnography of American culture from the eyes of refugees.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

A Jihad for Love

This film explores gay Muslim identity as queer devout Muslims from India, Iran, and Turkey navigate a faith that condemns homosexual acts.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Bamboozled

This film by Spike Lee explores the history of racist representations of African Americans as entertainment in America.

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the diversity, the greater the perfection.”

— Thomas Berry

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16

The Canary Effect; Kill the Indian Save the Man, *part of Native American Indian History Month*

This documentary explores the history of violence and exploitation that has been enacted on Native Americans and how American communities continue to be ghettoized and plagued by poverty.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Friends of God

Documentarian Alexandra Pelosi traveled the country and met with different Christian communities to understand its development.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

Trekkies

This hilarious and touching documentary follows the underground community of devoted fans that live for all that is “Star Trek.”

SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 15

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Tuesday Night Edge: Hispanic Crafts

9:00-11:00 p.m., Carriage House Student Lounge

Grab your friends and celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with an evening of crafts, music, and light refreshments. While learning about the rich history of art within Hispanic culture, you and your friends can create a beautiful decoration fit for any dorm room.

Sponsored by Chatham Activities Board, Student Activities & Student Affairs

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Pittsburgh Tango Connection

5:00-8:00 p.m., Anderson Dining Hall

Enjoy a live Tango Band and Dancers for Hispanic Heritage Dinner. Love what you see? Learn the same dance moves with a lesson after dinner.

Sponsored by Parkhurst, Student Activities & Student Affairs

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Interactive Awareness Bowl: Hispanic Heritage Jeopardy

6:00- 8:00 p.m., Conover Room

Bring your friends and compete in teams to test your Hispanic Heritage knowledge. Prizes for winners!

Sponsored by Office of Student Activities, Student Affairs

HHM Planning Committee Members

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OCTOBER

DISABILITY AWARENESS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Everyone's An Artist

6:00- 8:00 p.m., McCrady Café, AFC

Come experience what it is like to have a disability. Art seems simple enough, but try doing artwork when you are blind or have some other disability. This experiential event will help the participant truly gain an understanding of disabilities.

Sponsored by Student Activities & Student Affairs

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Film & Discussion: *La Petite de Soleil*

5:00-8:00 p.m., Sanger Lecture Hall

Enjoy the film *La Petite de Soleil* and learn how disabilities truly span across every culture

Sponsored by Global Focus, Student Activities, & Student Affairs

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

Documentary: *Voices of Our Region & Discussion*

5:00-7:00 p.m., Woodland Classroom

Enjoy an oral history project capturing the life, love and passion of area residents living with disabilities. The project consists of audio interviews with 57 individuals with disabilities from all types, ages, and cultures. Join the producer and director after the film!

Sponsored by Student Activities & Student Affairs

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

Film & Discussion: *Babel*

5:30-8:00 p.m., Beckwith Lecture Hall, Science Complex

View and discuss the film, *Babel*

DA Planning Committee Members

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“Cultural differences should not separate us from each other, but rather cultural diversity brings a collective strength that can benefit all of humanity.”

— Robert Alan

LGBT HISTORY MONTH

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

Translate Gender

8:00-10:00 p.m., Welker Room

Join Translate Gender for a facilitated workshop and discussion. Translate Gender is a collective-based, consensus-run, non-profit organization that works to generate community accountability for individuals to self determine their own genders and gender expression.

Sponsored by Office of Student Activities, Student Affairs

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Chris Pureka Concert featuring Andrea Gibson

7:30-11:00 p.m., Rea Coffeehouse

Join SASO for the annual Chris Pureka concert. Spoken word artist and activist Andrea Gibson joins acoustic artist Pureka again by popular demand. Both artists are touring their new albums. Free with Chatham ID, \$5 cover for guests. Donations and guest cover charge benefit Persad, which is the nation's oldest LGBT counseling center and located here in Pittsburgh.

Sponsored by SASO

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Interactive Awareness Bowl: LGBT Jeopardy

6:00-8:00 p.m., PCW Room

Bring your friends and compete in teams to test your LGBT knowledge. Prizes for winners!

Sponsored by Office of Student Activities, Student Affairs

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

Randi Driscoll

8:00-10:00 p.m., Café Rachel

Come enjoy the musical talent of Randi Driscoll, inspirational singer & songwriter. Randi wrote the song “What Matters” on the death of Matthew Shephard which is now the spoke-song for the foundation. She has inspired thousands through her musical talent.

Sponsored by Student Activities

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NOVEMBER

NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN HISTORY MONTH

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Lenape Indian Tribe: The Role of Women in Native Society, Then & Now

8:00-10:00 p.m., Welker Room

This presentation will explore the achievements of native women through the eyes of a Native woman and a historian. It will discuss the role of Native American women in native life and their contributions. Early European writers often did not accept women in roles other than the ones allowed in their own culture. Reservation life forced men to abandon their traditional roles as hunters and warriors and to conform to European customs, leading them to usurp female roles. In contemporary Native American life, women's accomplishments often are distorted or ignored.

Throughout the program the audience will be enlightened with an accurate portrayal of Native American women.

Sponsored by Student Activities & Student Affairs

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Outdoor Recreational Activity: Horseback Riding

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Victory Stables (Meet at AFC parking lot at 9:00 a.m.)

Enjoy an afternoon of viewing the scenery from horseback while learning basic technique and safety procedures. \$10.00 fee.

Sponsored by AFC, Student Affairs

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16

International Film Series: The Canary Effect; Kill the Indian Save the Man

6:00-9:00 p.m., Sanger Lecture Hall

This documentary explores the history of violence and exploitation that has been enacted on Native Americans and how American communities continue to be ghettoized and plagued by poverty.

Sponsored by International Programs & Student Affairs

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Interactive Awareness Bowl: Native American Indian Jeopardy

6:00-8:00 p.m., Conover Room

Bring your friends and compete in teams to test your Native American knowledge. Prizes for winners!

Sponsored by Student Activities & Student Affairs

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“What we have to do ... is to find a way to celebrate our diversity and debate our differences without fracturing our communities.”

— *Hillary Rodham Clinton*

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