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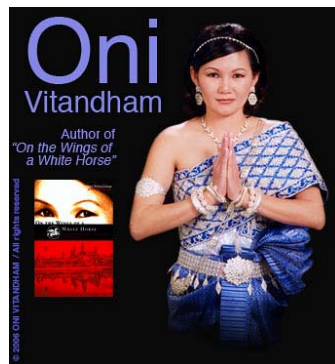
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EMCC promotes international and intercultural awareness in education week. Oct. 20, 2008

Estrella Mountain Community College will not only celebrate the U.S. Department of State and U.S. Department of Education's International Education Week but has extended the international and intercultural events throughout the months of October and November. Estrella Mountain is dedicated to providing students and the local community with an environment rich in teaching and learning are enhanced through global understanding. With a strong commitment to diverse learning, the college actively promotes global awareness in the classroom and other learning environments.

"International Education Week is a special time at Estrella Mountain for our diverse students, faculty and staff, said Dr. Sylvia Oor, dean of academic affairs at Estrella Mountain Community College. "It is an opportunity to celebrate the many benefits that an international and intercultural education provides. EMCC takes pride in helping prepare students to be successful in a global environment."



By combining music with social awareness, this event will raise awareness and funds in support of ongoing relief efforts while promoting global compassion for the people affected. The event is free, but there will be donation jars and other fundraising activities to support relief efforts. For more information, please contact Jeanie Pierce, music humanities instructor, at 602-793-3833; or Alex Andrews, English faculty at 623-935-8094.

PHOTO: Oni Vitandham along side the cover of her book, "On the Wings of a White Horse."

Film: "Return to the Killing Fields," Tuesday, November 4, 2008
The college will be screening, "Return to the Killing Fields," an A&E documentary about the Cambodian genocide as a pre-cursor to the visit of Oni Vitandham, a Cambodian genocide survivor, who will speak at the college on Thursday, November 20, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. in the Estrella Hall Community Room – see details below. The film is approximately 50 minutes long and will be shown in the college's Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) at 8:30 a.m. and again at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 4, 2008. For more information, please contact Bill Jones, instructional computing adjunct faculty, at 623-935-1073.

The Green Evolution, Wednesday, November 5, 2008
The Green Evolution is a "pre-event" to The Green Revolution – the Maricopa Community College District's Student Conference to be held in April. The Green Evolution will be held at Estrella Mountain on Wednesday, November 2, 2008 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The event will include several activities promoting environmental awareness, locally and globally. The events are as follows:

8:00 a.m. – Faculty presentation, Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL): "Power + Shift: Energy Sustainability in Today's World," Malik Toms, developmental education division chair

8:00 a.m. – Student presentations, CTL: "Environmental Racism," Larry Williams
"The Green Evolution," Stephanie Nadeau

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. – **Phi Theta Kappa Dumpster Dive,** Image Zone (southeast lawn): Students will dig through dumped piles of campus trash and separate what they find into categorized piles. The goal is to raise awareness of how much we throw away and determine what percentage of what we

Officially celebrated November 17-21, 2008, International Education Week has been a nationwide celebration of international education and intercultural understanding since 2000. Estrella Mountain's events will begin October 29, 2008 and will end November 20. All events are free and open to the public.

Music for Humanity, Wednesday, October 29, 2008
"Music for Humanity: A Benefit Concert for the People of Myanmar and China," will be held outside in the college's Ceremonial Plaza on Wednesday, October 29, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The event will feature a variety of activities including musical performances, speakers and informative displays to raise awareness about the natural disasters that occurred in these regions last May. In addition to faculty and student speakers and performances, a professional jazz trio also will perform.

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throw away can be recycled and reused.

9:00 a.m. – Faculty presentation, CTL: **"Blasting the Coal Mine: Why the World is Making us Sick,"** Dr. Olga Tsoudis, sociology faculty; Dr. Christina Van Puymbroeck, psychology faculty

9:00 a.m. – Faculty presentation, CTL: **"Organic Architecture: Frank Lloyd Wright,"** Mary Burdett, art history adjunct faculty

10:00 a.m. - Faculty presentation, CTL: **"Blasting the Coal Mine: Why the World is Making us Sick,"** Dr. Olga Tsoudis, sociology faculty; Dr. Christina Van Puymbroeck, psychology faculty

10:00 a.m. – Faculty presentation, CTL: **"The Omnivore's Dilemma: How to Eat Green?"** Dr. Weir Chang and Dr. Jeffrey Miller, biology faculty

11:00 a.m. – Faculty presentation, CTL: **"The Environmental Experience,"** Alex Andrews, English faculty; Malik Toms, developmental education division chair.

12:00 p.m. – **Student Fashion Show**, Plaza Gallery, by Jose Rios.

For more information about The Green Evolution, please contact Malik Toms, developmental education division chair, at 623-935-8303.

Margaret Mead Film Festival, Monday, November 17 - 21, 2008

The Margaret Mead Traveling Film Festival is comprised of award-winning documentaries that were selected from entries in the 2007 Margaret Mead Film Festival. The Festival is organized by the American Museum of Natural History in New York City, and is the premier competition/festival for anthropology-related documentaries worldwide. The Film Festival will be held in the college's Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) at noon, November 17, 19, and 21, 2008. This will be the Festival's only stop in Arizona amid a national tour.

Monday, November 17, CTL: **"Grito de Piedra" (Scream of the Stone)** 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
"Grito de Piedra" (Scream of the Stone) Ton Van Zantvoort. 2006. 59 min. Bolivia/The Netherlands
Once the source of legendary wealth in colonial days, Poto's now economically destitute silver mines have been opened as a tourist destination for visitors to Bolivia. "Grito de Piedra" follows a Poto's miner, Gavino, and his son, Pedro, a tour guide to the mines. Depicting their lives in the mines and as participants in a burgeoning cultural tourism industry, this film reveals the enduring power of colonial enterprise to shape life in South America.

Wednesday, November 19, CTL: **"Super Amigos"** 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
"Super Amigos" Arturo Perez Torres. 2008. 82 min. Mexico/Canada
Outfitted in the regalia of the Lucha Libre, five former professional wrestlers in Mexico City don the personas of superheroes to fight injustice and inspire others within their local communities. Combining live action and comic book-style animation, the film follows the caped crusaders – Super Barrio, Super Animal, Super Ecologista, Super Gay, and Fray Tomena – on their mission to protect the underdog.

Friday, November 21, CTL: **"Gimme Green"** and **"Village of Dust, City of Water"** 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
"Gimme Green" Isaac Brown and Eric Flagg. 2006. 27 min. United States
Gimme Green is a super-real look at the American obsession with lawns, and their impact on our environment, our wallets, and our outlook on life. From subdivisions in Florida to sod farms in the arid Southwest, "Gimme Green" peers behind the curtain of the \$40 billion industry that fuels our nation's most irrigated crop – the lawn.

"Village of Dust, City of Water" Sanjay Barnela. 2006. 28 min. India
A lyrical and chilling ciné poem about social exploitation over access to water in India, where rural water supplies are redistributed to serve booming cities and whole communities are displaced to create dams.

For more information about the Margaret Meade Film Festival, please contact Rachel Smith, biology faculty, at 623-935-8397.

Faculty Presentations, Wednesday, November 19, 2008


"A Glimpse into the Lives of the People: China, Nepal and Bhutan" 10:00 a.m.
Dr. Olga Tsoudis, sociology faculty; and Debbie Anderson, library faculty, will present "A Glimpse into the Lives of the People: China, Nepal and Bhutan," on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the college's Plaza Gallery. Dr. Tsoudis and Anderson traveled to China, Nepal and Bhutan over the summer and will discuss their experiences in each country in the following contexts: China – public space and culture in the park; Nepal – stopping sexual exploitation and helping the community; Bhutan – a unique culture in a small country. For more information, please contact Dr. Olga Tsoudis at 623-935-8592.


"Prague 2008: Art, Religion and Cosmos" 11:00 a.m.
Dr. William T. Farrar, psychology faculty will present "Prague, 2008: Art, Religion and Cosmos" on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 at 11 a.m. in the college's Plaza Gallery. Dr. Farrar will discuss his research in Prague during August, 2008, which examines how the people of the Czech Republic use the language of religion in art to express the ambiguities of identity into today's society. For more information, please contact Dr. William Farrar at 623-935-8478



Guest Speaker, Thursday, November 20, 2008
On Thursday, November 20, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. in the Estrella Hall Community Room, **Oni Vitandham, a survivor of the Cambodian genocide**, will give a presentation about her experiences as a young child growing up under the brutal regime of the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia during the 1970s. She will also describe her difficult transition as a refugee coming to the United States and her assimilation into American Society which was, in some cases, almost as challenging as her experiences in Cambodia. A screenplay of Oni Vitandham's story is presently being written in Hollywood, destined to become a docu-drama film to be released in approximately two years. Vitandham also published her autobiography, "On the Wings of a White Horse," in 2005. For more information, please contact Bill Jones, instructional computing adjunct faculty, at 623-935-1073.

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PHOTO: Mother and child in Bhutan, 2008. Photo by Dr. Olga Tsoudis, EMCC sociology faculty.

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