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Dear International Students,

We hope you are enjoying your snow-filled week! We hope all of you who joined us last weekend at the hockey game had a great time. For those of you who couldn't make it, the Albany River Rats won a close game against the Adirondack Phantoms by a score of 2-1, advancing them one game closer to becoming eligible for the American Hockey League playoffs. To view pictures from the outing, click the link to the ISSS Facebook page below (become a "fan" of ISSS too if you aren't already!).

<http://www.facebook.com#!/pages/Albany-NY/University-at-Albany-International-Student-Scholar-Services/32929781792>

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, ISSS is proud to offer two new exciting events for international students. First, we will be offering a day trip to go **Snow Tubing** at Tubby Tubes Co. in Lake Luzerne on Sunday, March 7th. The cost for this outing is \$25. With all of the snow that the Capital Region has received lately, this is sure to be a fun-filled event! To see a video of snow tubing, follow this link-  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZZgXxPSfyw>.

Second, we will be hosting an outing to see a dramatization of Harper Lee's famous book, "**To Kill a Mockingbird**" on Sunday, March 21 at the Capital Repertory Theatre, in downtown Albany. This drama brings together dark elements of prejudice and racism with lighter themes of courage and compassion to make for a timeless story. A pre-show discussion about the significance of the story in American culture will take place at the theatre at 1:30pm. The cost for this outing is only \$15 (a savings of over \$20)!

Download the flyers attached to this email to view more information for each event. Space is limited, so please stop by the Office of International Education (Science Library G40) today to sign up!

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- I.) University at Albany Events (find more at <http://www.albany.edu/todayualbany/>)

Thursday, February 25 // 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

19th Annual Diversity Conference: Barrier Awareness

Location: Standish Room, Science Library

Contact: Division of Counseling Psychology

e-mail: [DiversityConference@gmail.com](mailto:DiversityConference@gmail.com)

Web site: [http://www.albany.edu/counseling\\_psych/diversityconference/](http://www.albany.edu/counseling_psych/diversityconference/)

Details: Complimentary breakfast and lunch

Cost: FREE

Keynote Speaker, Sondra Solomon, Ph.D., University of Vermont, presents her speech on "Race, Gender, and Stigma." Visit the above website for more program highlights!

Friday, February 26 // 7:30 p.m.

Film Screening: "Camp de Thiaroye" [The Camp at Thiaroye]

Location: Page Hall, Downtown Campus

Contact: Writers Institute Staff

Telephone: (518) 442-5620

e-mail: [writers@uamail.albany.edu](mailto:writers@uamail.albany.edu)

Web site: <http://www.albany.edu/writers-inst/>

Cost: Free

Details: A group of African soldiers who fought valiantly for France during World War II are detained in a prison camp at the war's end because their French colonial masters have grown uneasy with the equality the men have achieved on the battlefield. "Camp de Thiaroye" received the Grand Jury Prize at the Venice Film Festival in 2009.

Friday, 26th February // 8pm

Film Screening: "13B: Fear Has a New Address" - w/ English subtitles

Location: LC - 19 (lecture centers are located at basement level around the main fountain)

Contact: Ravi Bonam

e-mail: [ravikiranbonam@gmail.com](mailto:ravikiranbonam@gmail.com)

Cost: Free

Details: Indian movie "13B: Fear Has a New Address," presented by the Indian Student Organization.

More details on the movie can be found here- <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1385824/>

Saturday, February 27 // 6:00 pm

The Vagina Monologues

Location: Campus Center Ballroom

Web site: <http://www.albany.edu/studentevents/>

Cost: Free

Description: The Vagina Monologues is a show that brings awareness to women's issues and raises money for women's groups.

Monday, March 1 // 7:30 p.m.

Celebrating Chopin's Bicentennial

Location: Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center

Contact: Box Office

Telephone: (518) 442-3997

e-mail: [tickets@albany.edu](mailto:tickets@albany.edu)

Web site: <http://www.albany.edu/pac>

Cost: \$8 general public / \$4 students, faculty-staff & seniors

Details: Now in its third season in residence at UAlbany, the Capital Trio celebrates Chopin's 200th birthday by performing his early and virtuosic Piano Trio, Op. 8 as well as his last published work, the great Sonata for Cello and Piano, Op. 65.

Tuesday, March 2 // 4pm

UAlbany Men's lacrosse vs. Siena

Location: John Fallon Field (located just south of Indian Quad)

Cost: \$7

Description: Come see the highly ranked UAlbany Men's Lacrosse team face off with their local rival, the Siena St. Bernards!

Thursday, March 4 // 7 p.m.

Festival of Contemporary Music

Location: Main Theatre, Performing Arts Center

Contact: Box Office

Telephone: (518) 442-3997

e-mail: [tickets@albany.edu](mailto:tickets@albany.edu)

Web site: <http://www.albany.edu/pac>

Cost: \$6 general public / \$3 students, faculty-staff & seniors

Details: A concert of percussion music with an emphasis on contemporary and recent works featuring the University Percussion Ensemble and two youth ensembles

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## II.) Events in the Capital Region

### 1.) RAIN - A Tribute to The Beatles

The Palace Theater- 19 Clinton Ave., Albany NY 12207

<http://www.palacealbany.com/>

Thursday, February 25 // 7:30 PM

\$27.50 - \$47.50

Description: RAIN (the band) presents a full ensemble of songs and visuals originally from the legendary band, The Beatles! The music of RAIN pairs up with a full array of visuals, such as television commercials from the 1960's and old footage from Beatles concerts. RAIN covers songs from the band's beginnings through the late 1960's.

### 2.) Rosanne Cash

The Egg (Empire State Plaza)

<http://www.theegg.org/>

Saturday, February 27, 8:00 PM

\$34.50

Details: Acclaimed singer-songwriter Rosanne Cash will perform music from - "The List" - the Grammy-nominated album that features her contemporary interpretations of 12 classic songs from a list of essential country tunes passed down by her legendary father - Johnny Cash.

### 3.) To Kill a Mockingbird (The Movie)

Monday, March 1 // 7:00 PM

The Palace Theater- 19 Clinton Ave., Albany NY 12207

<http://www.palacealbany.com/>

\$5.00

Description: In a small Georgia town in the 1930's, lawyer Atticus Finch (Gregory Peck) defends a black man (Brock Peters) accused of raping a white woman. Their father's innate decency affects his two motherless children as they learn about life and that not everything is as it seems from first glance. See

this outstanding film to get a better idea of what the live dramatization will be like on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at the Capital Repertory Theatre!

4.) Pierced Arrows, Mudlark, Nuclear Family, Secret Service (Punk Rock Show)

Tuesday, March 2 // 8 p.m.

Where: Valentine's- 17 New Scotland Ave., Albany NY

<http://www.valentinesalbany.com/>

Phone: (518) 432-6572

\$8

Description: Come and see Portland, Oregon's best kept musical secret, Broken Arrows! Also playing will be local punk bands Mudlark, Nuclear Family, and Secret Service.

5.) Your Family Tree Starts 200 Million Years Ago: A Discussion of Human Evolution

Where: State Museum - Huxley Theater

<http://www.nysm.nysed.gov/>

Phone: (518) 474-5877

Wednesday, March 3, 7 p.m.

Price: Free

Description: Dr. Robert S. Feranec, curator of vertebrate paleontology at the New York State Museum, discusses the origin and diversification of mammals starting with the evolution of the first mammals 200 million years ago and ending with the mammals that we see today.

\*Restaurant of the Week-

Greenhouse: A Chopped Salad Company

50 N. Pearl Street, Albany

<http://www.eatgreenhouse.com/>

(518) 514-2055

Cuisine: Contemporary

Style: Casual

Hours: Open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday

Description: Greenhouse offers a wide variety of fresh salads and wraps, from their tasty Montana Steak salad to their popular Chinatown wrap. Big portions and good prices!

\*Contest of the week-

Win a Keurig Coffee Brewer (a \$140 value)!

<http://pyx106.clearcontests.com/front/OpenContest.asp?Action=Login&SurveyID=58425&zx=529>

Click the above link for more details on how to win this week's contest!

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III.) Free Concert Ticket Giveaways (Including NEW giveaways from EMPAC!)

EMPAC, or the Experimental Media and Performing Arts center (located in Troy, 15 minutes from the UAlbany uptown campus), is a new facility that offers show experiences like you have never seen before. Fusing together the worlds of science and art in a unique fashion, EMPAC hosts a variety of performances that are sure to stimulate your imagination. For more information on the venue, visit their website- <http://www.rpi.edu/about/empac.html>.

To win a pair of tickets to the following shows, email the name of the show you want to win tickets for to [oiega@uamail.albany.edu](mailto:oiega@uamail.albany.edu). You MUST provide your real name (no nicknames please) in your email to be eligible to win for a particular show. Please submit your name for only one show per week.

What: GEORGE CLINTON  
When: 8pm doors \* 9pm show \*  
Wednesday, February 24  
Where: Northern Lights  
Rt 146W North Country Commons Clifton Park, NY

What: METHOD MAN & REDMAN  
with special guests:  
FREEWAY  
Educated Consumers \*Playdough  
Odddy Gato \* Pigz  
and DJ Playground  
When: Sunday, February 28  
7pm doors \* 8pm show \*  
Where: Northern Lights  
Rt 146W North Country Commons Clifton Park, NY

What: Wayne McGregor Presents:  
ENTITY: A Random Dance Performance  
(See a video of this inventive style of performance here- <http://www.randomdance.org/>)  
When: Friday, February 26, 8pm show  
Where: EMPAC Theater  
110 8th Street, Troy, NY 12180

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#### IV.) Promotional opportunity with Spectrum 8 Movie Theater (Ticket Giveaways)

To win a pair of free tickets, email your full name and your answer to the trivia question to [oiega@uamail.albany.edu](mailto:oiega@uamail.albany.edu). You MUST provide your real name (no nicknames please) in your email to be eligible to win. Spectrum 8 tickets are good for any movie being shown between the dates listed in the title of this email.

Here is this week's trivia question!

Q: In Garry Marshall's latest movie, "Valentine's Day," which actor plays the role of Morley Clarkson?

Additionally, if you would like to win a "Buy one, Get one Free" coupon for Spectrum 8 movie tickets, send an email with your full name to [oiega@uamail.albany.edu](mailto:oiega@uamail.albany.edu). These are given out on a first come, first serve basis, so please send us your request promptly!

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V.) Going to New York City? Check out these discounts!

Off-Broadway performance, 'The Quantum Eye'  
\$22.50 -- Mind-Blowing Mentalist in New York City, Save \$25  
Tuesday & Saturday shows through March; book by Feb. 28  
<http://entertainment.travelzoo.com/new-york-entertainment/755612>

Rock Musical 'Next to Normal' in NYC, 55% OFF  
\$51.50 and up, Performances through March 28  
Source: <http://entertainment.travelzoo.com/new-york-entertainment/749934>

The Phantom of the Opera on Broadway, 45% OFF  
\$46.50 and up, Performances through March 13  
Source: <http://entertainment.travelzoo.com/new-york-entertainment/747017>

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Have a fantastic week!

Best,  
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