

THE HONORS AMBO

Events. Opportunities. Reminders.

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Dear Honors Students,

It's difficult to believe that there are only three weeks of classes left in the semester, and that Thanksgiving is almost here. In the midst of schoolwork, make the most of the coming weeks and take advantage of all that the Honors Program has to offer. Everyone needs a break now and then!

You can't stop the beat... or can you?

"Borrowing Music: Politics and Art in Sample-Based Music"

The Hitchhiker's Guide to Culture with Dr. Stephen Gorbos

Friday, Nov 22 4:00pm-5:00pm
Walton Second Floor Lounge



Artists from Bach to Beyoncé have sampled music... so is it really a big deal? Some music artists and legal prosecutors would say yes. Join Dr. Stephen Gorbos in the HRC as he discusses what it means to sample music and the artistic and ethical issues that this entails. With plenty of historical and modern songs to play, this promises to be a very musical Hitchhiker's Guide!

Calling all pictures!

Your pictures deserve more than just an occasional "like" on Facebook. Let's put them on the big screen! Email pictures of you and your Honors friends from this semester to purpleke@cua.edu, and Katie will add them to our Christmas dinner slideshow! This slideshow will be played on a loop throughout the Christmas dinner. Commemorate the good times you've had! Deadline for submissions: Monday, November 25.

And speaking of Christmas...

Don't forget to RSVP to the **Annual Honors Christmas Dinner** evite! Enjoy scrumptious food and festive Christmas music on **Monday, December 2nd in the Pryz Great Room**. Wear your Christmas best. See you there!

Ladies of Walton, what do you want for Christmas?

We have already promised the men of McDonald a Christmas present, and now we are looking for the perfect one for you! What would you put on the Walton Christmas list? What would be a fun game or nice addition to your lounge? Email us and let us know!

Help children in Zambia receive their Christmas wish and win a Christmas present!

A proud alumna of the University Honors Program, **Eleanor Brasfield**, is currently serving in the Peace Corps in Zambia. Her local school is eagerly seeking new or used books of all kinds, especially storybooks for children, but all books, including textbooks, would be welcome! Bring a book to the Christmas Dinner or to 112A McMahon beforehand, and you will be entered into a raffle to win a copy of Prof. Andreas Widmer's *The Pope and the CEO: John Paul II's Leadership Lessons to a Young Swiss Guard*. Prof. Widmer was a guest speaker at our Hitchhiker's Guide to Culture, and his book promises to be wise and riveting.

A Penny for your Thoughts (Page 1)

"I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live by the light that I have. I must stand with anybody that stands right, and stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong."

- Abraham Lincoln

Events Calendar

Madrid Spring Break Trip Info Sessions

Monday, Nov 18 & Thursday, Nov 21 4pm-5pm

Pryz 323

Explore the culture, history, food, and excitement of Madrid during spring break! This info session will tell you everything you need to know about the trip and help you decide if it is right for you.

Deadline for applications for the Madrid trip is Monday, December 2nd.



Palacio Real, Madrid residence of the Spanish Royal Family

Towards a Comprehensive Internationalization at CUA

Monday, Nov. 18; Tuesday, Nov. 19; and Wednesday, Nov. 20
5 to 6:30 pm, Scullen Room, Pangborn Hall

The Center for Global Education and the Office of the Provost sponsor three panel discussions, featuring students, faculty, and administrators. Topics to be discussed include Internationalization of Faculty: Teaching and Scholarship; Internationalization of Students: Academic and Student Life; and Internationalization of Curriculum. All are welcome. Followed by the **International Thanksgiving Potluck** on Thursday, November 21: 5:00-7:00pm, Pryz Great Room. See the attached flyer for more details.

Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Student Town Hall

Wednesday, Nov 20 7:10pm-8pm
Hannon 108

As we bid farewell to Dean Poos at the end of the year, you can have a say in who the new dean of Arts and Sciences should be. Think about the following questions and come share your answers.

- How do you see the School of Arts and Sciences evolving to meet the challenges of the current economic climate?
- What strengths of the CUA curriculum do you want the new dean to preserve, and what new initiatives would you like to see implemented?

Even if you are not in the School of Arts and Sciences, this school can have a huge influence on the rest of the university, so make your voice heard!

Events cont'd

Sondheim's Company

Friday, Nov. 22 8:45 pm
Saturday, Nov. 23 2:00pm, 7:30pm
Sunday, Nov. 24 2:00pm
Pryz Food Court

Come see CenterStage's Fall Production, directed by Honors student Bridget Grace Sheaff and featuring Tori Boutin in an iconic role! Tickets are \$5 for students and \$7 for adults. Tickets will be sold all this week in the Pryz and the night of each performance outside the Food Court.

Do you have a musical performance or sports game coming up? Dr. Paxton is going to see "Company" on Saturday, and would love invitations to even more student activities! Please email her at paxton@cua.edu to let her know of upcoming events; she likes to sit in the audience/on the sidelines beaming with pride!

Would you like to be a symposiarch?

We are looking for two Honors students, currently sophomores or juniors, who are interested in organizing our Honors Symposia for the next year. These events are held usually twice per semester and give a small group of students the opportunity to have dinner with a professor in one of the Honors residence halls.

Your responsibilities would be simple: invite a professor to dinner and pick a date; make a flyer and advertise the event; and make dinner the night of. Rachel Ray culinary skills are not required; very basic cooking skills are just fine!

If you are interested in being one of next year's symposiarchs, please contact purpleleke@cua.edu.

Thinking about CUA for grad school? Want to work with the Honors Program?

Honors Program alumni (or soon-to-be alumni) are eligible to apply for the Honors Graduate Fellowship. Work 20hrs/week while enrolled in a CUA graduate program, and receive full tuition remission and a generous stipend. Deadline to apply: Feb. 15, 2014. More information forthcoming.

STUDENT CORNER Meeting Royalty in Rome

Junior Eric Seith dropped us a line from Rome. Read about one of his great adventures!

"Oh my goodness. Rome is going so well! I guess for starters, we went to a princess' house. She's from Texas, but an Italian prince came over to the US and met her somehow, and they eventually got married. We went to an English Mass in Rome, and Teresa Kinyon from our CUA program randomly started chatting with her, and she invited us to her house. It was only after she invited us that Dr. Dawson informed us who she was. We decided pretty easily to accept our invitation, and we had a great experience. She gave us a whole tour of the house, and we got to see Michelangelo's sculpture of Pan, a couple letters from Maria Antoinette and other noble people, Caravaggio's only ceiling fresco, a bust of Caesar Augustus, and a lot of other really cool things. I've had so many amazing experiences here, but I figured I would share that fun one with you."

A Penny for your Thoughts (Page 2)

"Anybody can become angry – that is easy, but to be angry with the right person and to the right degree and at the right time and for the right purpose, and in the right way – that is not within everybody's power and is not easy." - Aristotle