Stockton College Celebrates International Education Week with Events

UN Speaker, Fair Trade Show, Films, Salsa Dance Among Nov. 17-21 Events

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Galloway Township, NJ- The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey is hosting International Education Week to provide global education and awareness to students and the community.

International Education Week, Nov. 17-21, 2013 is celebrated by colleges across the globe and is a dual enterprise of the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of State.

“The events are diverse and interactive, designed to appeal to multiple interests,” said India Karavackas, director of Stockton’s Office of International Services. “We are offering an avenue to inspire students and members of the local community to broaden their perspectives on global issues and other cultures. Participants will have the opportunity to engage with our faculty and guest speakers on serious topics confronting our nation and world, or partake in more light-hearted activities such as learning how to dance salsa, watch a foreign film, or take a virtual reality trip around the world through our Geodome.”

A weeklong display will showcase flags from more than 30 countries in the Campus Center Food Court and Coffeehouse. Student-crafted, life-sized posters of South Korean music star Psy and of a traditional Korean bride and groom will be displayed in the F-Wing Atrium.

Daily events are free and open to the public. Below are listings.

Sunday, Nov. 17

Fair Trade Gift Fair: The Stockton Action Volunteers for the Environment student group is partnering with the South Jersey Fair Trade Alliance to host the 9th Annual International Fair Trade Gift Fair, which offers products and gifts by local nonprofit organizations. Campus Center Event Room, 10-6 p.m.

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Monday, Nov. 18

Japanese Kimono Presentation: Authentic Japanese kimonos will be on display. F-Wing Atrium, 9-5 p.m.

“Small Island”: Screening of movie about the diaspora of Jamaican immigrants in England during and after World War II. A film discussion will follow the screening. Main campus B-001, 12 p.m.

“Les Visiteurs”: Screening of French comedy about a medieval nobleman and his squire who are accidentally transported to contemporary times by a senile sorcerer. Main campus F-121, 3:25-5:25 p.m.

Amazing China: This show, performed by members of the Confucius Institute of Chinese Opera at Binghamton University - State University of New York, will feature nine performances showcasing different elements of Chinese drama such as acrobatics, martial arts, instrumental music, Chinese opera and vocals. Campus Center Theatre, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Origami Mathematics Lessons Workshop: Origami is presented as an education tool, used to teach students about the culture and history of origami and to showcase the art of paper folding as a method to teach mathematical concepts. Campus Center Meeting Room 5, 5-6 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 19

Poster Fair and GeoDome: The GeoDome, an immersive visualization dome with the entire interior surface acting as a 3-D projection screen, will be used to give a visual presentation of enlightening global knowledge applicable to all areas of study. C/D Atrium, 9-5 p.m.

United Nations Guest Speaker: Claudia Diaz, a human rights officer with the United Nations, will give a presentation about the prevention of genocide. Prior to her current position, she spent 10 years working with the United Nations in different conflict and post-conflict countries, such as Guatemala, Nepal, Sudan (Darfur), Timor-Leste and Venezuela. Campus Center Theatre, 12-2 p.m.

The Impact of International Study Tours to Holocaust Sites: Students will speak about their experiences on study tours to Holocaust-related sites. Campus Center Meeting Room 1, 1-2:20 p.m.

The U.S. Department of State Diplomat-in-Residence Speaker: Patricia Guy will speak about the department’s career opportunities, answer questions and share insight into foreign and civil service careers, internships and fellowships. Campus Center Theatre, 3 p.m.

Transforming Conflict and Building Global Peace Through Art: Lecture about Combat Paper NJ, an initiative of the Printmaking Center of New Jersey that offers veterans an outlet to heal through art by converting their old uniforms into paper art. Main campus F-111, 4:30-7 p.m.

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Clinical Experiences in China and Haiti Panel Discussion: This panel discussion will examine the evolution of the opportunities, learning outcomes and results from inter-professional education research in both countries through a mixed-methods approach, followed with a discussion on the volunteer international clinical opportunities. Main campus F-202, 6-8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 20

Service-Learning in Uganda Symposium: Speakers will discuss their experiences doing volunteer work in a developing nation and share their observations and experiences. Main campus K-141, 3:30 p.m.

Immigration Reform Interdisciplinary Panel Discussion: An interdisciplinary panel will look at the pros and cons of immigration and discuss the complexities of a meaningful immigration reform in the United States. Campus Center Theatre, 4 p.m.

The “Glocal” Event: The film “Finding Home” brings awareness to the problem of homelessness in Atlantic City through the lives and testimonials of six homeless individuals. Make donations of gently used winter clothing to benefit the homeless in Atlantic City. Campus Center Theatre, 6:30 p.m.

World Above Open Mic Poetry Night: Visiting international writer Lili Mendoza of Panama is the featured poet during the open mic poetry night. Dante Hall Theater, Atlantic City, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 21

Salsa and Bachata Dance Class: Dr. Tait Chirenje, associate professor of Environmental Studies, will lead a night filled with Latino rhythms and fun, expressive dancing. Lakeside Lodge, 7-10 p.m.

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