





NEWSLETTER

October 05, 2015

BECHTEL INTERNATIONAL CENTER PROGRAM FOR STANFORD SPOUSES, PARTNERS AND FAMILIES

Upcoming events and important dates:

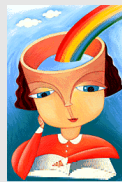
 Oct 09:
Dancing with the scholars
(CCIS event)

 Oct 16:
SWAP during Friday Morning Coffee
(CCIS event)

 Oct 31:
Halloween Party at the I-Center

RESOURCE CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL FAMILIES

Be sure to stop by the Resource Center, located along the hallway that leads to the back lounge! Our advisers offer basic information for new arrivals, including the spouse handbook. We also have information on driver licenses, shopping, classes, schools, employment volunteering, and recreation. Whether you have just arrived at Stanford, or have been here for a while, we look forward to seeing you!



The Resource Center is located on the first floor of the I-Center and is open from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Don't miss great lectures this week!

• Astronomy – a journey through the universe

(Wednesday, October 07, 2-3 pm): Let me take you on a very special journey for one hour every Wednesday at 2 pm to discover a part of our Universe.



During the five sessions, we'll cover the following topics: the Solar System, Stars and Planets, the Milky Way galaxy, Black Holes and History

of the Universe. No special physics knowledge is needed. Each session could be followed independently of the other. Please note that the session on Oct 21st will be starting at 4:30 pm.

• Cancer – A Common And Complex Disease

(Thursday, October 8, 11:15 am-12 am):

What is cancer? We contrast the disease with other types of disease and learn that cancer is a complex condition and actually many different types of illnesses. Also, you will get an idea what the challenges are with treating an affected patient.



• American Ethics And Ideals (Wednesday, October 7, 12 – 1 pm):

In this lecture-style cultural history class you are invited to learn about current American ethics and ideals, such as liberalism, individualism, meritocracy, the American Dream etc. Join the conversation as participants bring their views and knowledge to the table.

NEW AND ONGOING CLASSES THIS WEEK (Oct 05 - Oct 09):

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:30 am - 12 pm: Baby & Toddler group (EV Community Center 140 Comstock Circle)		10 am - 11:30 am: All-levels German Class Back Lounge	10:30 am - 12 pm: Spanish language class (beginners) Classroom	10 am - 12 pm: Friday Morning Coffee
10:30 - 12 pm: Knitting for Beginners Back Lounge	10:30 am - 1:30 pm: (I)A Sumptuous Fare Kitchen	10:15 - 11:45 am: Yoga for all - Vinyasa flow yoga Assembly Room	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Cancer - a common and complex disease Conference Room	11 am - 11:30 am: Singing with children Outside/Lawn
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm: Basic German Language Back Lounge	12:15 pm - 1:45 pm: French Language Class Back Lounge	12-1 pm: prenatal yoga & postnatal yoga with babies Assembly Room	1 pm - 2:30 pm: Italian language advanced level Back Lounge	 1:30PM - 3 PM: Practicing French by Singing Back Lounge (1-1:30 pm prep class for beginners)
	2 pm - 4 pm: Needlepoint Class Back Lounge	12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: American Ethics and Ideals Conference Room	3 pm - 4:30 pm: Italian for beginner/ intermediate students Back Lounge	3:00 PM - 4:30 PM: Chinese Language Class Conference Room
	4:30 - 5:30 pm: Polish Language & Culture Back Lounge	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM: Japanese Conversation & Culture for Intermediate Back Lounge		4:00 PM - 5:00 PM: Indonesian Language & Culture Post Room
	2 pm - 5 pm: (II) A Sumptuous Fare Kitchen	2:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Japanese Conversation & Culture for Beginners Back Lounge		
		2 - 3 pm Astronomy - A journey through the universe Conference Room		
		2:00 PM - 4:30 PM: Popular Asian noodles - quick & easy way Kitchen		
		4:30 PM - 5:30 PM: Fun arts and crafts for kids Back Lounge	from 8pm: Women's Night Out in Palo Alto	
		5:30 PM - 6:30 PM: Choir Living Room	from 9 pm: Guy's Night Out in Menlo Park	
		7 - 8:30 pm: Job search networking group Classroom		
Career, Education & Information	Arts & Crafts	for Children	Exercise	
Meet-up groups	Language class	Cooking class	Event	

This Thursday, October 8 - Women's AND Guy's Night Out!

- WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT - Join us this Thursday and meet other spouses over a beer (or soda) at Antonio's Nuthouse, Palo Alto (from 8 pm).
- GUYS NIGHT OUT – Ulrich kindly organizes one more Guys Night Out this Thursday, from 9pm at OASIS in Menlo Park. Thanks Ulrich!

Updates for next Monday, October 12:



- Harsha will commence a new arts and crafts class on Monday, 11 am – 12:30 pm. Every week she will offer a new beautiful creative do it yourself project that you can take home afterwards. Due to the great popularity of her classes make sure to register as soon as possible.
- Please note that Knitting For Beginners will start next Monday, October 12 at 12:15 pm.
- It's also book club time next Monday! The next book club book is Song of Solomon by Toni Morrison, and will be discussed 7:15 – 8:45 pm in the I-Center's Living Room. For further information contact bechtelbookclub@gmail.com

Please always check the web calendar for current changes.


MORE EVENTS AT THE I-CENTER THIS WEEK:

- **Thursday, October 8:** Please join us on Thursday, October 8 at 7pm in the Assembly Room for a documentary film screening. The film Red Lines (99min) follows two young activists during the Syrian civil war and will be introduced by Jasmina Bojic, Camera As Witness Program Director and Founder of the international documentary film festival UNAFF. Cookies and coffee will be served. Hope to see you there!

Bechtel International Center and Camera as Witness Present

 **RED LINES** 

Thursday, October 8, 2015
7pm
Assembly Room, Bechtel International Center



Courtesy of UNAFF

A DOCUMENTARY FILM BY ANDRA KALIN AND OLIVER LUKACS

The film follows two young activists during the Syrian civil war—armed only with cell phones, laptops, dogged dedication, and some key global contacts—as they devise smuggling routes, broker weapons deals, challenge extremism, and seek to persuade foreign policymakers of the democratic Syria that's within reach if the world will only allow it. For more details about the film please visit www.unaff.org

Introduction by Jasmina Bojic, Camera As Witness Program Director and Founder of the international documentary film festival UNAFF

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THE CAMERCA AS WITNESS (CAW) Program is conceived to leverage the appeal of visual information and utilize the medium of documentary film as a year-round educational tool about a number of topics and disciplines at Stanford, ranging from international relations to the environment, from energy policy to human rights. Through screenings of world-class documentary films, expert panels, and discussions with filmmakers, it provides an innovative and structured student-centric platform for learning and engagement. If you are interested in having documentaries at your event or in your dorm, please contact jasminal@stanford.edu.

MORE EVENTS AT THE I-CENTER THIS WEEK:

- **Friday, October 9:** Dancing with the Scholars – starts at 7 pm in the Assembly Room. All CCIS members and international postdocs/grad students/ visiting scholars and their spouses/ partners are welcome.



Come learn the best moves from around the world!!!!

***PRIZES** will be given for the best dancer(s) in each category:
BOLLYWOOD & SALSA.*

***FREE EVENT** - Light refreshments will be served.
Come alone or with a dancing partner or your language partner!*

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visiting scholars are welcome.*

***FRIDAY, October 9, 7-9:00pm**
Bechtel International Center Assembly room*

Please contact events@ccisstanfordu.org for further information.

- **Friday, October 9: BECHTEL FILM SERIES, “WINDOW ON THE WEST” 2015 - 16** - With Bob Spears: This film series is designed to help first year foreign students understand us Americans. For many it is difficult, confusing & frustrating. Who are we? How do we relate to one another? How do we convey respect or not? We send mixed messages. You are traveling through a minefield. So is everyone else in their first experience in America. My hope is that through this film series, you can laugh at us & with us in our inconsistencies & poorly conveyed social signals. I want you to be able to understand us as I want to be able to understand you as a person and as a people that you represent. I also chose these films because I find them enormously entertaining. **This Friday: Dead Poets Society**, with Robin Williams, Ethan Hawke 1989 129 min. BECHTEL INTERNATIONAL CENTER, CONFERENCE ROOM 6PM DINNER, 6:30 FILM. I chose this film because it shows the best & the worst in American education in the same institution & the importance of the development of independence of thought.

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