

UNE-ISA Presents 'The 2004 International Week': 9th –15th August

The 2004 International Week will be held on 9th – 15th of August. The International Students' Association (ISA), UNE, proudly offers a warm invitation to the University and the Armidale community to participate in the week's long festival of cultures. ISA organizes these events to promote multicultural awareness among the overseas students at UNE and the wider local community. The main objectives are to appreciate and celebrate the unity in our cultural diversity and to share with and enhance the Armidale multicultural community.

This year International Week will include an International Cultural Expo, an International Food Fair, an International Film Night, a Multicultural Concert and Socio-cultural Awareness event.



The International Cultural Expo will open the International Week on the Monday 9th August at the UNE Bistro at 9:00 AM ending at 4:00 PM. This exhibition presents stalls providing information from various countries that give snap-shots of the global cultural aesthetics. This event will help students learn about other countries. Volunteer students from most countries represented at UNE will be present to explain and answer questions about their artifacts and their life styles. Entry is free and all are welcome.

The International Food Fair will follow on Tuesday 10th August at UNE Bistro from 6:30 PM. This is the most popular event, offering an opportunity to tantalize your taste buds with different foods cooked by students from a range of countries including, among others, various African countries, Thailand, Bangladesh, India, Brazil, China and Indonesia. Tickets are now available (see separate advertisement for cost and tickets outlets or contact ISA at 02 6773 2951 or isa@une.edu.au for more details).

The International Film Night will be held in the S3_BS1 - UNE Biological Science Lecture Theatre (next to Mary White College and opposite Psychology Building) on Thursday 12th August, 5:00 PM till late. The film night is a festival of films from different global contexts, all with English subtitles. The entry is by gold coin donation.



Previous International Week Concert

The Multicultural Concert is on Friday 13th August at the UNE Lazenby Hall from 7:00 PM. The concert is a most exciting event – not to be missed. It is a truly cross-cultural festivity featuring performances from a range of overseas countries as well as local/Australian (students') performances. Performers wearing their

national costumes will perform dances, songs poems, skits, and instrumental numbers featuring traditional instruments and there will also be an opportunity for the members of the audience to sing along. There is still the opportunity for groups or individuals from the community who would like to perform to be included. Send details to Carina at isa@une.edu.au or fax/call 02 6773 2951. Since we want everyone in the community to enjoy this event but need to cover our costs, the entry is a gold coin donation or more if you can afford it.



Previous International Week Food Fair

The Socio-cultural Awareness event will be on Sunday 15th August at the Wright Village lawns from 1:00 PM and will mark the end of the 2004 International Week. The event will be very informal and will involve getting to know who is who (among the overseas students & the local community). It will be a time to share, raise (y)our cultural awareness. Everyone is invited and encouraged to come and enjoy terrific fun.

Once again the International Students' Association is excited to invite every member of the community to each of the listed events, all organized and presented by dedicated volunteers among the UNE overseas students. The UNE-ISA International Week is proudly supported by the UNE International Office, UNE Union, UNESA and others. ISA would like to acknowledge the contributions made by all our supporters as well as the UNE-ISA volunteers. As overseas students in Armidale, we seek to appreciate the endless support we continue to receive from the university and the wider community of Armidale and hope that through activities like the international week, we will be able to reach out to the warm community surrounding us and offer something in return.



By Kiprono Lang'at
UNE-ISA President
July 23, 2004