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Extravaganza Day at local school

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The Center for Global Studies (CGS) has been designated a Title VI National Resource Center by the Department of Education. Working in collaboration with Penn State's many excellent international initiatives, faculty and students from multiple disciplines, and K-12 schools in the region, the CGS is dedicated to the growth and support of global studies.

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The Center for Global Studies is excited to announce that its partner school, Young Scholars of Central Pennsylvania (YSCP), hosted an extravaganza on Friday, April 27th. Our staff members have been involved with YSCP's Extended Day program which is designed to provide enrichment activities and clubs for students after school. Scheduled activities during this year's extravaganza included Turkish dancing, Chinese fan dancing, mythological skits and songs, South Asian dancing, as well as exhibits of the crafts and activities the kids had worked on during the semester. The program started at 4 p.m. and was immediately followed by a multi-cultural dinner.



Above: Artemis (YSCP student, Madeline) pretends to be Daphne in a mythological skit

The Center for Global Studies Career Development Award Recipients

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As this school year comes to a close, the Center for Global Studies would like to recognize the recipients of its Career Development Award. The following awardees, Liberal Arts doctoral students and early career faculty on a tenure track, received funding towards international research and travel:

- Vincent Bruyère, Assistant Professor in the Department of French and Francophone Studies, will conduct research while in Canberra, Australia for his project "Sense of Survival: Literary Studies in the Age of Environmental Cosmopolitics."
- Alison Eisel Hendricks, Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures, will conduct additional research on the preservation of the minority language Fering for her dissertation "Quality and Quantity of Language Input: North Frisian Child Second Language Acquisition."
- Sophia Khadraoui, Department of French and Francophone Studies will travel to Nantes, France where she will document the Memorial of the Abolition of Slavery and interview key personnel associated with the project for her dissertation "Sculpted Memory: Commemorating the Abolition of Slavery in Metropolitan France through Monuments."
- Pierette Kulpa, Department of Art History, will travel to Rome to conduct research for her dissertation entitled "From Michelangelo to Mussolini: Attribution and Appropriation of the Palestrina Pietà."
- Hiram Smith, Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese, will visit San Basilio de Palenque in northern Colombia to conduct research on "The Patterns of Variable Grammatical Marking in Palenquero Creole."

Graduate Research in Global Studies: A Series of Brown Bag Talks

By: Daniela Borlea

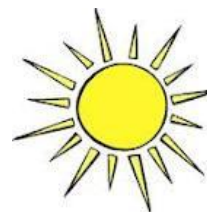
The Center for Global Studies Brown Bag Lecture Series concluded in April with talks by Kevin Lowe, CGS Fellow and doctoral candidate from the Department of History and Sara Marzioli, PhD candidate from the Department of Comparative Literature.

Lowe discussed the ways in which U.S. missionaries became involved in international efforts to develop agriculture and rural life post-World War II during his lecture entitled "Building the Kingdom in the Countryside: Christian Missionaries, Agriculture, and Globalization" while Marzioli spoke about the research she has conducted both in Italy and the U.S. regarding the engagements of African-American intellectuals with political and cultural forms of black internationalism. Her talk entitled "Invisible Diasporas: Afro-Modernism in Italy" introduced the audience to twentieth century African-American and Italian writers and film directors whose work address the dialectic between historiography and fiction as well as racial relations and modernity.

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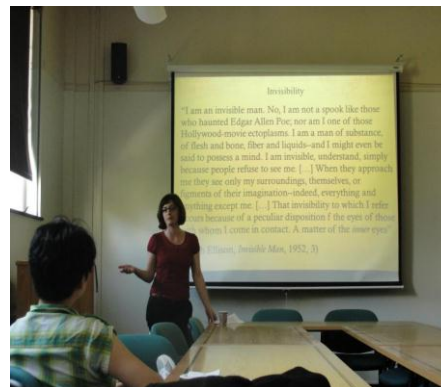
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On behalf of the Center for Global Studies Team, we wish you a fantastic summer break!



Left: Kevin Lowe lectures on the international reach of U.S. missionaries

Right: Sara Marzioli discusses the political and cultural forms of black internationalism



The Center for Global Studies Welcomes Guest Speakers

By: Christina Rohe and Daniela Borlea

On Thursday, April 5, Carlos Carrillo and René Castillo visited Penn State as guest lecturers from the Cinematography School at La Universidad de las Californias in Tijuana, Mexico. They discussed their personal experiences in the filmmaking industry and highlighted the intricacies involved in producing a film in Tijuana during their presentation "So Close And Yet So Far: Filmmaking in Baja." The event was coordinated by the Center for Global Studies and the Latin American Studies Program. Preceding the lecture, recipients of the Latin American Studies Research Award - Dawn Taylor and Cristina Mislan - were honored.

Later in the month, the Center also welcomed Michael Denning, the William R Kenan Jr. Professor of American Studies and Director of the Initiative on Labor and Culture, along with the Yale University Working Group on Globalization and Culture. Our guests presented two lectures, first by Denning entitled "Culture in the Age of One World" as part of the Comparative Literature Luncheon Series, and the second, "The Intimacies of Information," which allowed group members Sigma Colon, Michael Denning, Andrew Dowe, Tao Leigh Goffe, Eli Jelly-Schapiro, David Minto, Andrew Seal to present their individual projects.