



Gerald H. Read Center for International and Intercultural Education

Special International Week Edition

November 17-20, 2014

Do-It-Yourself World Leadership:

Congo Inspired Leadership Aides Women in Conflict

Eye Opening! Indescribable! Transformational! These words are used to describe international experiences in IIE's video, *Generation Study Abroad*. Many of us know that an international experience transformed our lives.

Lisa Shannon's international experiences to the war-torn areas of the Congo resulted in a transformation of her life's work. Her experience with the Women of the Congo created a new calling. She quit her business as a professional photographer, and now has raised over \$11 million in direct aid to more than 66,000 Congolese women and children.

Founding Run for Congo Women, and shared her story through the book, A Thousand Sisters: My Journey into the Worst Place on Earth to be a Women. This started her on a journey that has transformed her life. As the Gerald H. Read Distinguished Lecturer on November 18, 7:00 in the KIVA Auditorium, Kent Student Center, Kent State University, Kent OH 44242, Shannon will inspire us all to take up action for the passions in our lives and to be part of a growing force of DIY foreign aid. (DIY: do-it-yourself—NY Times) Shannon's presentation will inspire us all to follow their hearts and make a difference. It will encourage our students to study abroad.



International Week Feature: Lisa Shannon
Oprah's Magazine's World's Most Powerful Women

African Ensemble, too!

Pre-Lecture Entertainment will feature KSU's own unique **African Ensemble**, lead by **Dr. Kazadi wa Mukuna**, who was born in The Congo. The African Ensemble includes drumming, singing and dancing. Musical entertainment is scheduled for 7:00-7:30.







No Passports Needed: Travel and Tourism Programs Inspire us to Travel Locally and Internationally

Two of **Philip Wang's** travel and tourism programs kick off CIIE 's array of activities in honor of the US Department of State and US Department of Education's *International Education Week*. As part of authentic assessment for his senior level class, the **Marion Korllos Tour Design Program** will feature EY's **August Jackson** presentation on **GAY TOURISM**, as well as student designed tour presentations of NE Ohio. The tour design contest will be held on **Tuesday**, **November 18**, **12:00-1:00**, **in Room 200 White Hall**.

Treat yourself to light lunch and to mini-vacations featuring many fascinating sites throughout NE Ohio while you learn about the growing trend in niche marketing in the travel and tourism business focusing on the **LGBTQ** community worldwide.

"If you only read the books that everyone else is reading, you can only think what everyone else is thinking."

-Haruki Murakami



Travel to key points in Memphis and celebrate Elvis Presley. Travel to the South Pacific and learn about the writings of Herman Melville. Travel to Japan to explore the sites and culture for Haruki Murakami's work. On Wednesday, November 19, 12:00-1:00, Room 200 White Hall,

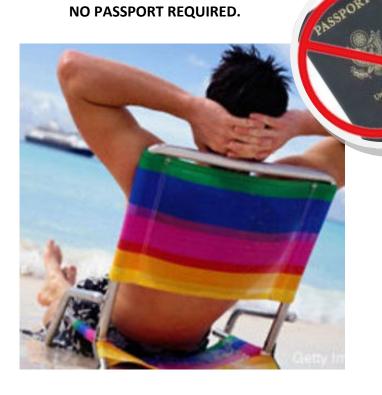
Philip Wang's Global tourism students will be presenting travel posters featuring tours designed around famed literary and artistic persons, entitled, *In Search Of. . . .*

Come to the event and participate in judging (American Idolstyle) the best poster while dining on a light lunch! The bonus for the noon-

time event is a special presentation by EHHS's **Gumiko Monobe**, who will be sharing Japan's contemporary culture.

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PS: Haruki Muakami, a perennial favorite for the Nobel Prize for Literature, lost out this year to France's Patrick Madiano(2014).



International COFFEE and TEA Traditions Featured









The custom of sharing coffee and tea is symbolic with hospitality around the world. Yet, tea and coffee customs vary according to culture. To celebrate International Education Week, CIIE is featuring Coffee and Tea Traditions to help us appreciate the subtle differences in these various tea and coffee cultures.

Start the morning by having your fortune told from the <u>Turkish coffee</u> grounds left in your cup and saucer (see photo top, left)! Learn how to order your coffee with just the right amount of sugar.—*sade, orta* or *sekerli*! **Turkish coffee hour begins at 10:00 in 200 White Hall**. Drop by for a cup of hand made Turkish coffee, and learn how to tell fortunes, or have your fortune told!

Travel further east into the Orient, and learn about the high mountain, fog-kissed tea from Taiwan. Browse through the minimuseum of different teas, and take part in two different ceremonies inspired by the **Oriental traditions of Japan and Taiwan** (photo second from the top). This is the lunch time pause that will be serene and relaxing. . . leave the American rush behind and join us at **12:00** in **Room 200**.

Tea traditions like culture travels around the global with mobility of people, colonialism, and trade. The British Afternoon Tea (by RSVP only—Rose Onders, ronders@kent.edu), will be offered to 20 faculty and staff at **4:00 p.m. in Room 200.** This British Afternoon Tea custom is not only found in London at the Savory Hotel, but also is found in unlikely locations like on a Kenyan safari, at a Bahamian beach hotel, as far as a northern Canadian immigrant home, or near the Taj Mahal in India! While the location changes, the food and tea may vary slightly, the custom stays similar in locations around the world. Reserve your place at the British High Tea table now (see cakes in photo third from the top).

End the evening at <u>READ Center's Coffee House.</u> Enjoy the atmosphere with its jazz musician, candle light and soft pillow seating. Suddenly, Room 200 is a wonderful place to enjoy poetry recited in variety of languages by our international students. In the spirit of **International Education Week,** the poetry theme is *peace and harmony around the world.* Listen to poetry in the native tongues from Mali, India, Iran, China, Russia, and, of course, in English. Enjoy international coffee and poetry **in Room 200 at 8:00 p.m.**-**9:30 p.m.**



FULBRIGHT FRIDAY:

Celebrate with your Colleagues!!-Learn how you or your students can be Fulbrighters, too.



EHHS Faculty: Fulbright Specialists in South Africa and Kyrgyzstan

The Fulbright Specialist Program promotes linkages between US Scholars and their counterparts at host

institutions overseas. Duration of the program is for 2 to 6 weeks. In the academic year of 2014, three EHHs faculty were awarded Fulbright Specialists scholarships. Martha Merrill and Mark Kretovics (top photo) worked to Kyrgyzstan, and Caven McLoughlin went to South Africa. They will share their experiences with all of us at a READ Lecture, Friday, November 21, 2014, 12:00-1:00, in Room 200 White Hall. Also presenting that day will be Muskie Collaborative Scholar Martha Lash who traveled to Tajikistan on a similar exchange with the US Department of States' ECA funding.



Kyrgyz higher education discuss issues in Kretovics' sessions on higher education administration in Bishkek.

Learn how to Apply

Our current and former Fulbright Scholars will offer sessions on how to apply to be a Fulbright Specialist, Researcher, or Graduate Student. Come to get help at the informative sessions on the process. Former 2-time Fulbright Scholar Bill Wilen, and current student Fulbright Student Scholars Aboudou Bertha and Irina Shcheglova will lead the sessions. The representatives from the Office of Global Education will also be available to answer questions. November 21, 2:00-3:00 in Rooms 217 (for students) and Room 200 (for faculty).



Sponsored by the US Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, the Fulbright Program provides funding for students, scholars, teachers, and professionals to undertake graduate study, advanced research, university teaching, and teaching in elementary and secondary schools.