New Program Grants Received

The Global Voices Lecture Program presents prominent speakers and organizes round-table discussion groups and special interest conferences and seminars. As a part of this program, leading figures from the world stage come to share their thoughts and exchange ideas with students and members of the community on a variety of current topics. The Global Voices Program enables International House to continue to strengthen its links with the University of Chicago and the City of Chicago in ways that are commensurate with its institutional position of promoting cross-cultural understanding and respect and the exchange of ideas among people of all nations and backgrounds. Last year, this program provided over 5,200 attendees with meaningful opportunities for discussion and engagement in community, national and world affairs. Again this year, International House was pleased to receive support from the McCormick Tribune Foundation to support our World Beyond the Headlines lecture series, a component of our successful Global Voices Program. Funds are being used for an expanded series of programs which contribute to our goal of developing an active, knowledgeable, and engaged citizenry.

In addition to lecture programs, the Global Voices Performing Arts Series provides a showcase for all performing arts programs at International House. This year International House again received support from the Illinois Arts Council to expand our role as presenter and co-sponsor of innovative, internationally-focused arts programs. Last year over 10,000 attendees enjoyed 40 Global Voices Performing Arts Programs. These programs have provided an inspiring, engaging and meaningful experience for the University of Chicago community and for the people of Chicago.

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From the Desk of the Director—

Winter 2008

As a new year begins, it is a time to think of friends and family and to evaluate our accomplishments of the preceding year. I am filled with pride to see how far we have come in bringing the International House family back together again in the last few years.

We have seen tremendous growth in the programs and special events. Last year International House was host to over 900 different events in the performing arts, lectures, conferences and workshops. All of this enriches the experiences of current students who live in International House.

We have increased our newsletters from one to three annually. By sharing stories of today and features from the past, we are keeping our friends and alumni engaged in the ever-changing and vibrant life of the House. Our Archives Project has helped us connect with former residents and friends and future plans include assisting former residents in connecting with one another.

The response from our alumni and friends has been heartening. Last year we received the largest ever dollar support in our annual giving and we are grateful for this support. We must continue building on this as we work to meet the needs of today’s residents. We hope that you will continue to support our efforts as we look to build a resident lawn and garden and continue to expand our fellowship programs.

The New Year is full of possibilities and I wish you joy in the pursuit of their fulfillment.

William L. McCartney, Director

Projects for Peace

Now in its second year, Davis Projects for Peace, is an initiative dedicated to finding new ways to advance world peace. It is funded by Kathryn Wasserman Davis, an accomplished internationalist and philanthropist and an alumna of I-House New York. Chicago International House residents are invited to design and implement grassroots “projects for peace.” Up to three of the best proposals will be funded at $10,000 each for implementation during the summer of 2008. Application materials are available at http://ihouse.uchicago.edu/programs/pdf/projects4peace.pdf.

Pictures from an Institution

Images of International House are highlighted in a new book published to mark the 100th anniversary of the University of Chicago Magazine. Featuring the work of Magazine Contributing Editor Dan Dry who has been photographing the University since its centennial, the book covers the entire campus. Providing a counterpoint to Dry’s images are quotations from past and present members of the University community: musings on theory and practice, questions and answers, work and play, the singular and the collective — and Chicago. The book is available to readers who make a $500 gift ($75 of which is tax-deductible) to the University of Chicago Magazine. Go here for more information http://magazine.uchicago.edu/book.shtml.

Transitions

After twenty-one years as an administrator, instructor and champion for University community relations, Hank Webber will leave the University of Chicago, effective March 1, for a position as executive vice-chancellor for administration at Washington University in St. Louis. As Vice-President for Community and Government Affairs, Webber worked closely with International House to establish a new spirit of partnership between the University of Chicago and the surrounding neighborhood communities through programs and events at International House.

International House congratulates Madeline Hamblin on her coming retirement from the University of Chicago. For twenty-two years she has provided dedicated service with a strong focus on the well-being of graduate students. Among her many accomplishments as Director of the Office of Graduate Affairs, Hamblin has worked together with Denise Jorgens, Director of Programs and External Relations at International House, and Denise Jorgens, Director of Programs and External Relations at International House, as co-directors of the English Language Institute (ELI). The ELI programs held at International House now serve the entire University of Chicago community to meet the language needs of international graduate students.
IN MEMORIAM
Amadou Cisse, PhD ’07 arrived at International House from Senegal in the fall of 2001, eager to begin his graduate work at the University of Chicago. On November 5, 2007, the University of Chicago awarded Amadou Cisse his PhD in Chemistry posthumously at graduation ceremonies on December 7, 2007.

Majid K. Khadduri PhD ’38, considered one of the world’s foremost experts on the Middle East, authored over 35 books in English and Arabic and hundreds of articles. He was a member of the Iraqi delegation to the founding session of the United Nations of San Francisco in 1945. He founded the Graduate Middle East Studies Program of the Johns Hopkins University Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) and taught there from 1949 to 1980. While a resident of International House, he was President of the Residents’ Council in 1937. He died January 25, 2007 in Potomac, Maryland at 98 years of age.

Vernon Petro, long-time friend of International House and President of the Chicago chapter of the International House Association (I.H.A.), passed away December 2007. The I.H.A. was an organization formed between the New York, Berkeley, and Chicago Houses whose mission was to enhance the relationships and experiences of I-House residents during their time in the United States. The Chicago chapter under the leadership of Mr. Petro was particularly active in organizing social programs and field trips to communities and attractions outside the city of Chicago.

ALUMNI NEWS
Travel in Time: Stories from the International House Archives—Wolfgang Langewiesche

The 1930s was the era of aviation heroes. Icons like Charles Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart inspired dreams of unfettered travel over unchartered paths. For Wolfgang Langewiesche, a German-born bespectacled graduate student studying library science at the University of Chicago, the lure of the open sky proved irresistible. “Every afternoon at three the sound of the transcontinental ship came down to me in the library, plaguing me … it was fresh from the West, only a matter of hours, and that too tormented me; for out there was the country I liked, the part of America I had cut my teeth on…One afternoon at three, something snapped: I put some markers into my books and put on my hat and drove my old car to the nearest used car lot. It fetched exactly seventy-five dollars: five hours of ship time. Out to the airport…striped of my worldly goods, a happy fool… I was going to fly cross-country. I was going to make this thing work or give up." His passion for aviation was legendary among his friends at International House, who sometimes accompanied him on short flights to help pay for training time he needed to pilot a plane cross-country. Langewiesche would go on to chronicle his life in flight in America from the Air, but it is his now classic work, Stick and Rudder, published in 1944, that remains the leading book on the art of flying.

Plan Now for Alumni Weekend
Every year at Alumni Weekend, thousands of alumni, friends, and families from around the world return to campus to celebrate all things Chicago. Alumni Weekend 2008 will take place June 5-8, 2008. Plan your return to campus for four days of lectures, tours, parties, exhibitions and performances. For more information go to http://alumniweekend.uchicago.edu/.

Where are they now?
Malou Innocent: Foreign Policy Analyst

Malou Innocent, the 2006–2007 Mrs. Ernst W. Puttkammer Resident Award recipient is currently a Foreign Policy Analyst at the Cato Institute in Washington DC. The Puttkammer Award is given each year to a resident who has made a significant contribution to the life of the House. The award is presented at the Spring Sunday Supper by Lorna Puttkammer Straus, SM’60, PhD’62.

Save the Date in 2008!
International Houses Worldwide
International Houses Worldwide will host a joint alumni event in Washington DC on May 27, 2008. A special reception will be hosted by the Austrian Embassy. Watch for more details.

ALUMNI NEWS
The 2007–2008 Anita Hong Fellowships were awarded to Sarah Grabenstatter, a graduate student in the School of Economics, and Min-Jung Watkins, a new graduate student in the School of Social Service Administration. Her interests include analyzing the brain-drain and economic development of developing countries with a particular focus on Latin America. She spent the past summer volunteering at an orphanage in Guatemala to better understand the social dynamics and complexity of issues facing families there. Sarah is currently the President of the International House Residents’ Council and actively promotes the mission of the House through her eagerness to be involved in programs and everyday life in the House.


Whether you establish a gift annuity with cash or appreciated securities, a charitable gift annuity provides:
• guaranteed, fixed payments for life to you or another person;
• partially tax-free income from the annuity payment;
• a charitable deduction in the year of the gift; and
• a legacy to the International House

Sample Gift Annuity Rates

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Contact Heather McClean at (773) 834-2117 in the Office of Gift Planning for information and illustrations on how a gift annuity may work for you and provide for the future of the International House.

Attention Alumni Authors!

Have you written or contributed to a book? Send us a copy for the collection of International House Alumni Books for the Library at International House. Your book will be displayed in the library with a bookplate highlighting your name, degree and year(s) you lived in the House. For information on sending your book email i-house-alumni@listhost.uchicago.edu.

The International House Global Fellowship Initiative

The International House Global Fellowship Initiative ensures the exceptional geographical, cultural, and economic diversity that is central to the mission of I-House and the University of Chicago. Global Fellows reside at House throughout the academic year and are expected to contribute their unique perspectives and interests to the community. In turn, International House provides a supportive on-campus environment that helps ensure their personal fulfillment and academic success. The Global Fellowship Initiative provides crucial funding for students to assist them in meeting living expenses.

Gifts at the following levels endow in perpetuity Global Fellowships for students residing at I-House:
• $160,000 endows a fund providing one student each year with $6000 to meet nearly 70% of the residential expenses over two quarters of the academic year
• $80,000 endows a fund providing one student each year with $3000 to meet nearly 35% of the residential expenses over two quarters of the academic year
• $40,000 endows a fund providing one student each year with $1500 to help meet a major portion of the residential expenses for one quarter of the academic year

For more information on the Global Fellowship Initiative, contact Alumni Relations at International House (773) 753-2273 or email i-house-alumni@listhost.uchicago.edu.
GLOBAL VOICES ARTS & IDEAS

The International House Global Voices Program has established a vibrant exchange with a wide range of Chicago-area academic and cultural institutions, arts organizations, dance companies, ethnic and folk arts groups, and music and theater groups. The Global Voices Performing Arts Series provides a showcase for all performing arts programs. The Global Voices Lecture Series presents prominent speakers and organizes round-table discussion groups and special interest conferences and seminars. For further information on programs or to subscribe to our e-bulletin, go to our Web site at http://ihouse.uchicago.edu. Programs are supported in part by grants from the Illinois Arts Council and the McCormick Tribune Foundation.

THE WORLD BEYOND THE HEADLINES

This popular public lecture series held throughout the academic year is a collaborative project with the University of Chicago Center for International Studies, the Seminary Corp Bookstores and the International House Global Voices Program. The program brings scholars and journalists together to consider major international news stories and how these stories are covered. Can’t make it to a program? Streaming and downloadable audio and video are now available from CHIASMOS, the University of Chicago’s International and Area Studies Multimedia and Outreach Source at http://chiasmos.uchicago.edu. This program is supported in part by the McCormick Tribune Foundation.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE WINTER 2008 EVENTS

January 18 & January 20 Duke Ellington’s Nutcracker and Sur le Glace performance by University of Chicago Ballet
http://dakelk.uchicago.edu/paul.html

January 19 Global Voices Performing Arts Series in conjunction with Arts Midwest World Fest Presents: Elite, A Middle Eastern Culture & Musical Concert featuring rock, jazz and blues

January 23 Author Night with physician and author: Pauline W. Chen Speaking on her latest book: Final Exam: A Surgeon’s Reflections on Mortality
Co-sponsored by Seminary Coop Bookstores and the MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics

February 17 Lantern Festival—Chinese Music Concert

February 22–23 Annual Law School Musical
March 2 Spring Wine Tasting Event
March 28–30 Spring Festival Series 49th Annual Eastern European Folk Festival of Music and Dance

The Chicago Ensemble 50th Anniversary Concert Series January 27 & March 18 & May 18 The Chicago Ensemble winter/spring 2008 schedule features diverse chamber music performances by well-known master composers and new works including three winners of the “Discover America” competition for new American chamber works. For complete program and ticket information go to www.thechicagoensemble.org

April 15 Mostly Music Concert: Quartet Attilico

April 19 Spring Festival Series Kalajipyra Dance Company—Pervenienza (Tradition) Performance of north Indian classical dance

April 26 Spring Festival Series India Blooms in Chicago—Maharaja premiers of Chicago Opera Theatre's A Flowering Tree

May 1 Annual International House Festival of Nations Celebration—Food, Films, Music and Dance from around the world hosted by International House residents

May 9 Middle East Music Ensemble—Spring Concert

May 18 The Chicago Ensemble 31st Annual Law School Musical—The Mind of the Market
Co-sponsored by Chicago Society.

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The Second World: Empires and Influence in the New Global Order


Are you planning an event for the spring or summer 2008? The International House Assembly Hall will be air-conditioned beginning May 1st, 2008. For more information on hosting an event at International House, contact the Office of Programs and External Relations at (773) 753-2274 or go to http://ihouse.uchicago.edu/facility/.

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International House Keepsakes

To celebrate the 75th Anniversary of International House we are offering a range of commemorative keepsakes to bring back memories of your time in the House. For more photos and information on purchasing these items, please go to the Web site at http://ihouse.uchicago.edu or contact International House Alumni Relations at (773) 753-2273 or email i-house-alumni@listhost.uchicago.edu.

Designed exclusively for International House in 1932 by Bauscher China of Weiden-Bavaria, the elegant House china has been stunningly reproduced for the 75th anniversary by Bauscher with the original intricate pattern. We are pleased to offer alumni and friends a 4-piece set including cup, saucer, salad plate and dinner plate for $75 plus shipping and handling.

Own a piece of the House with authentic stone from the Courtyard. This beautiful blue and grey slate has been crafted into an attractive paperweight with a brass plate and will be a touchstone back to hours spent sitting with friends by the Courtyard fountain. Cost: $50 (includes shipping).

Wear your connection to the House with pride! Anniversary t-shirts are on sale for $15 (includes shipping).