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GLOBAL CINEMASPECTIVES FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES: “SHADOWS OF FORGOTTEN ANCESTORS (TINI ZABUTYKH PREDKIV)”

In a Carpathian village, Ivan falls in love with Marichka, the daughter of his father's killer. When tragedy befalls her, his grief lasts months. Finally, he rejoins the colorful life around him, marrying Palagna. She wants children, but his mind stays on his lost love. To recapture his attention, Palagna tries sorcery and in the process comes under the spell of the sorcerer, publicly humiliating Ivan, who then fights the sorcerer. The lively rhythms of village life, the work and the holidays, the pageant and revelry of weddings and funerals, the change of seasons, and nature's beauty give proportion to Ivan's tragedy.

Date: Friday, March 25
Time: 5:00-7:30
Place: Knox Hall 4

Dr. Tanya Shilina-Conte, Department of Media Study, UB, will introduce the film and lead a discussion following the screening.

Co-sponsored by International Student & Scholar Services and the Undergraduate Academies

TURKISH GSA BREAKFAST

Turkish GSA invites you to their Breakfast Event. Come enjoy a free breakfast and meet Turkish friends! Please RSVP at http://goo.gl/forms/nkvo63QDLQ.

Date: Saturday, March 26
Time: 11:00
Place: Student Union 145, North Campus

For more information, please contact Hayreddin Ceker at hayrockr@gmail.com

ELI’S CHAT ROOM PROGRAM

The English Language Institute's Chat Room program offers all UB international students an opportunity to practice conversation with a UB student. The Chat Room is open on Monday to Friday afternoons. Appointments are 50 minutes each and start at 2:30, 3:00, 3:30 or 4:00.
For more information, stop by the Chat Room table daily from 2:00-4:00 near Baldy Hall 320.

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AMERICAN ENGLISH PRONUNCIATION COURSE
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The English Language Institute’s non-credit American English Pronunciation course provides instruction in stress and intonation, fluency and the production of American English sounds.

**Dates:** Mondays, March 28 – May 11  
**Time:** 5:30-6:50 p.m.  
**Tuition:** $225 for 7 weeks (14 classes)

Register at the ELI, Baldy Hall 320, North Campus or call 645-2077. Visit [http://buffalo.edu/eli](http://buffalo.edu/eli), and click on “Evening Program” for more information.

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ELI OPEN LAB
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Practice your pronunciation and listening comprehension on your own with tapes at the English Language Institute’s Open Lab.

**Days & Times:** Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:00-5:00 p.m.; Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00 p.m., Thursdays, 12:30-3:30 p.m.  
**Place:** Clemens Hall 1 & 3, North Campus

Free and open to all UB students. Bring your UB Card!

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INTERNATIONAL TEA TIME
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Do you enjoy meeting new people, playing games and having tea? If so, please join us!

International Tea Time brings together international and U.S. students for conversation and fun. We play games, talk and get to know each other.

**Days:** Every Monday  
**Time:** 5:00-6:30  
**Place:** Student Union 240, North Campus

Organizer: UB Counseling Services

For more information: [http://ub-counseling.buffalo.edu/tea.php](http://ub-counseling.buffalo.edu/tea.php)
ENGLISH CONVERSATION CORNER

The Center for Excellence in Writing's English Conversation Corner provides an informal, relaxed atmosphere for students who would like to practice their English conversation skills.

“Afternoon Chat with Mike D.”
Tuesdays, 12:00-1:30
“Coffee Chat with Michelle”
Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9:30-11:00
Baldy Hall 209, North Campus

No need to sign up. Drop in and out at your leisure. For more information, call 645-5139, e-mail writing@buffalo.edu or visit www.writing.buffalo.edu.

UB CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN WRITING

The Center for Excellence in Writing (CEW) offers one-on-one writing consultations to UB students. The consultants discuss essays, reports, application materials, theses, dissertations, etc. They serve as a thoughtful, informed audience for writers across the disciplines and help them make choices about revision.

The CEW also offers special programs for graduate students: Dissertation Retreats and Writing Groups. If you are interested, please email writing@buffalo.edu. For more information, please visit http://writing.buffalo.edu.

ISSS WORKSHOPS

“H-1B Visas: An Information Session for Students”
Tuesday, March 22
3:30-4:30
Hochstetter Hall 114, North Campus

“Advanced Optional Practical Training: H-1B Cap Gap Extension & 17-Month STEM Extension”
Wednesday, March 23
12:00-1:30
Capen Hall 109, North Campus
“Income Tax Workshop” (for nonresident filers)
Friday, April 1
4:00-6:00
Knox Hall 20, North Campus

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ISSS TRIPS & ACTIVITIES
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MAPLE SYRUP ADVENTURE
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Learn about the maple syrup-making process from start to finish. Enjoy an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast and sample the maple syrup!

Date:  Sunday, April 3
Meeting Time:  7:45 a.m.
Meeting Place:  Flint Loop, North Campus
Return Time:  2:00 p.m.
Cost:  $22 (for round-trip transportation, all-you-can-eat breakfast, tour of sugar shack) (non-refundable)
Sign-Up Deadline:  11:59 p.m. on Thursday, March 31 (or when sold out)

Sign up at https://www.ubevents.org/event/1516issstrips
http://wings.buffalo.edu/intlservices/documents/Maple-Syrup-Adventure-Spring-2016.pdf

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RIVER RAFTING TRIP
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Join ISSS for a professionally-guided river rafting adventure trip. See rugged cliffs, waterfalls and nesting bald eagles. This trip provides beauty and adventure in one memorable afternoon. Be prepared to paddle… this is an active experience!

Date:  Saturday, April 9
Meeting Times:  8:15 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. (you will be assigned a meeting time)
Meeting Place:  Flint Loop, North Campus
Return Time:  5:00 p.m. and 5:45 p.m.
Cost:  $64 (for round-trip transportation, wetsuit and equipment rental, instructional/safety lesson) (non-refundable)
Sign-Up Deadline:  11:59 p.m. on Thursday, April 7 (or when sold out)

Sign up at https://www.ubevents.org/event/1516issstrips
UPCOMING EVENTS

ASIA AT NOON: “A PILGRIMAGE TO KANDY: BUDDHISM IN SRI LANKA”

A teardrop-shaped island off the southeast coast of India, Sri Lanka presents a variety of landscapes, temples, and peoples. Its fascinating history stretches back more than 3,500 years. The Poson Poya Day celebrates the arrival of the Buddha’s teaching in the 3rd C BCE. Large numbers of pilgrims attend ceremonies at the country’s most important shrines (among them Anuradhapura and Polonnaruwa, and the Temple of the Tooth in Kandy). Aided by a rich visual presentation we will examine the religious and historical character of this fascinating South Asian nation.

Presenters: Prof. Jeannette Ludwig, UB Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and Prof. Claude Welch, Department of Political Science

Date: Friday, March 25
Time: 12:00
Place: Park Hall 280, North Campus

Sponsored by UB’s Asian Studies Program

UB WORKSHOPS

“Networking for Introverts: You Can Do It!”
Tuesday, March 22
3:30- 4:30
Student Union 330, North Campus

“Are You Stressed Out?”
Thursday, March 24
4:00-5:00
Student Union 250, North Campus

“Leading Self: Introverted Leadership”
Thursday, March 24
5:00-6:00
Student Union 235, North Campus
“Coffee Night with the Alliance: Advocating for Women’s Health and Safety”
Thursday, March 24
5:30-7:00
Student Union 114, North Campus

“Hammock Camping 101”
Thursday, March 24
6:00- 8:00
Student Union 142, North Campus

“You + Me = ? An Open Discussion about Relationships”
Monday, March 28
12:00-1:00
Student Union 210, North Campus