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# Week to highlight a variety of cultures

Each day of International Week, students can explore a different continent

By Amalie Young  
Higher Education Reporter

Students may globe-trot their way around the world — in seven days.

International Week, sponsored by the International Student Association, will give students a chance to travel through Africa to the Americas and across the Pacific to Asia and Europe this week.

The event is the highlight of the ISA's activities. Musicians, dancers, artists and special speakers have been invited from around the world to join in the festivities.

The purpose of the celebration, said Amita Malakar, co-director of ISA, is to bring international students as well as Americans together to share their cultures and backgrounds.

"We want people to know that the U of O is a small world," she said. "It's a fantastic opportunity to learn about other countries."

"Even international students don't know about each other," said Soo Hyun Bak, co-director of ISA. The University has a rich diversity of students, and International Week is a chance to bring people of different cultures together, she said.

Each day of International Week is devoted to exploring a continent through dance and musical performances, skits and food sampling. Most food is free, and performances will be made by volunteer international students on campus. Professional performers are paid through funds from the ISA budget. "We want to welcome everyone to take advantage of the opportunity to see how diverse our culture is and have more understanding about International Stu-

## International Day Calendar

**AFRICA DAY:** Monday, April 13  
Noon — Opening Ceremony, EMU Amphitheater  
12:30-3:00 — Cultural Exhibitions, Fir Room

**AMERICA DAY:** Tuesday, April 14  
Noon — Tango Performance  
12:40 - 1:20 Salsa Workshop  
1:30 Native American Student Union Performance, EMU Amphitheater  
2-2:30 p.m. Slide Presentation, Fir Room

2:45 Hawaiian Dance Performance, EMU Amphitheater  
5 p.m. Guest Speaker: Prof. Dan Goldrich: "Economics & Sustainability in Latin America," Fir Room

**ASIA/PACIFIC DAY:** Wednesday, April 15  
Noon — Opening Ceremony, EMU

Amphitheater  
Noon-5 p.m. Museum Guided Tours, UO Museum of Art  
12:00-4:00 Cultural Exhibits, Fir Room

5-7:00 p.m. Museum Reception, UO Museum of Art  
**EUROPE DAY:** Thursday, April 16  
Noon — Opening Ceremony, EMU Amphitheater  
12-3 p.m. Cultural Presentations, Fir Room

4-4:30 Guest Speaker: Midhat Delic, "The Reconstruction of Bosnia after the War," Fir Room

**WORLD FORUM DAY:** Friday, April 17

Noon — International Parade, Oregon Hall  
1:00- 2:00 Musical Performance, EMU Amphitheater  
4:00-6:00 p.m. International Coffee Hour, Taylor Room

**INTERNATIONAL NIGHT:** April 19

dents and where they are coming from," Malakar said.

The festivities will begin at noon on Monday — Africa Day — at the EMU Amphitheater, with a performance by professional African drum and dance troupe Balle Sangmar. Cultural exhibitions from Tanzania, Madagascar and Kenya will take place throughout the afternoon in the Fir Room.

On Tuesday, America Day, students can watch dance performances from North and South America or take part in a salsa workshop.

Guided tours of the University Museum of Art will be held on Wednesday afternoon — Asia/Pacific Day — followed by a reception and Chinese poetry reading at 5 p.m. at the museum.

On Thursday, Europe Day will begin with a bagpipe performance

by a University student. Cultural exhibitions from Yugoslavia, Germany, Russia and Germany will be held through the afternoon in the Fir Room.

An international student parade, starting in front of Oregon Hall at noon on Friday, will cap off the week's events.

The grand finale, International Night, will be held in the EMU Ballroom on Sunday. This year's theme, which encapsulates the concepts of unity and diversity, is "All in One."

"This year is exceptional because of the diversity and the many small countries that we have represented," said Karenina Susilo, a coordinator for the event.

Tickets are on sale at the EMU Ticket Office or the ISA office. Prices are \$10 for students and \$12 for general admission. Organizers said they expect tickets will sell out quickly.

## INTERNATIONAL WEEK 1998

**April 13**

12:00 p.m.  
12:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Africa Day**

Opening Ceremony at EMU Amphitheater  
Exhibition Tables at Fir Room  
Workshop at Fir Room

All events during weekdays are free and open to the public.



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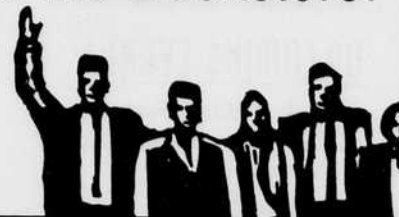
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