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InternatioNole to Perform Fusion Dance at International Bazaar

Saturday, February 18, 2017 | 2-5 p.m. | FSU Union Ballrooms

FSU's InternatioNole student group will perform a Fusion dance at the Center for Global Engagement's annual International Bazaar this Saturday, February 18.

Fusion has become a signature dance the group performs that blends dance styles and music from diverse cultures. InternatioNole provides opportunities for international students and U.S. students to develop relationships and share their cultures; the Fusion dance is just one of many ways they do this. The cultures and languages represented in Saturday's performance are Indian, Romanian, Spanish, Portuguese, Ivorian, Arabic, French, American, Filipino, Colombian, Jamaican, and Korean.

"The InternatioNole Dance Crew is one of my favorite components of our organization," said Monique Costner, InternatioNole president. "Being a part of the dance crew my freshman year lead me to becoming more heavily involved with the organization. It's amazing to see our members, in all of our diverse backgrounds and many of whom may not have any past dance experience, practicing and performing together. Our dance ultimately represents the fusion of cultures and people coming together through InternatioNole."

InternatioNOLE is one out of a dozen groups performing at the International Bazaar. Attendees will also enjoy performances from the Azucar Dance Company, Jing Peng, Bangladeshi Student Association, Tallahassee Capoeira, Anhelo Tango Club, Hispanic Graduate Student Association, African Student Association, Lebanese Social Organization, Viva Flamenco, Tenshin Shoden Martial Arts Society and The FSU Belly Dancers.

Don't forget to join us from 2-5 p.m. this Saturday in the FSU Union Ballrooms. For those who cannot attend, the Center for Global Engagement will be streaming a portion of the event through Facebook Live. So tell your friends and family around the globe, and follow us at <u>facebook.com/fsucge</u>.



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Globally Acclaimed Musical Artist, Scholar in Residence to be Featured in FSU Rainbow Concert

Tuesday, February 28, 2017 I 7:30-9:30 p.m. I Ruby Diamond Concert Hall I Tickets: \$10 general admission, \$5 students with ID

Roee Ben Sira, globally acclaimed composer, arranger, ethnomusicologist, and pianist from Israel, will be featured in FSU's Rainbow Concert of World Music, one of the country's largest higher education world music programs, on Tuesday, February 28.

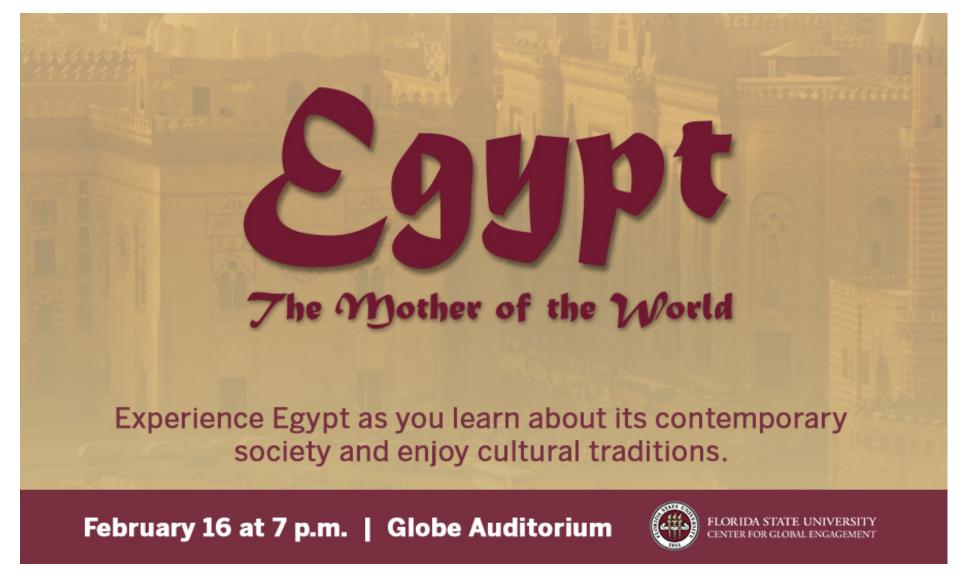
Ben Sira is an internationally renowned contemporary master of Brazilian choro music, an instrumental genre with origins from 19th century Rio de Janeiro. Choro is the musical intersection of upbeat samba, bossa nova, jazz, and classical, truly making it world music.

This year's concert features Ben Sira with the newly created FSU Brazilian Choro Ensemble under his direction (and with percussive assistance provided by FSU World Music Ensembles Program Director Dr. Michael Bakan). According to Bakan, Ben Sira will also perform with other ensembles from FSU's nationally renowned program, including in an original arrangement of the Brazilian classic "Aquarela do Brasil" for piano and Balinese gamelan.

"I'm excited to share my music with the wonderful musicians here at the FSU College of Music," said Ben Sira. "Choro was kept secret in Brazil for many years, and now it is finally reaching global audiences throughout the world. Choro has everything you need in music: beautiful melodies, rich harmonies, and those infectious Brazilian grooves. It is both uplifting and sentimental. We are going to have lots of fun on the 28th! Don't miss this very special concert. Obrigado!"

The Rainbow Concert will feature a variety of traditional and new world sounds with performances by all ten FSU world music ensembles: Chinese, Andean, African, Irish, Blues, Rock, Mas N Steel, and Old-Time, plus the Gamelan and the Brazilian group. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$5 for students, and may be purchased through the College of Music Box Office: 645-7949.

Ben Sira's presence at FSU is made possible by the Schusterman Visiting Israeli Artists Program, an initiative of the Israel Institute to promote the study of modern Israel by bringing Israeli musicians, artists, filmmakers, choreographers and writers to top universities in North America. He will be a visiting international scholar at FSU until May 5.



Opportunity for International and American Students to Experience Egyptian Culture Together

Thursday, February 16, 2017 | 7-9 p.m. | The Globe Auditorium

Thursday, February 16, the first Intercultural Program Series (IPS) event of the semester featuring Egypt will provide students with an understanding of modern day Egypt and the surrounding region.

IPS offers students a way to experience global cultures without having to leave campus. This program will include a presentation on contemporary Egyptian society and culture, an Arabic language workshop, a belly dancing demonstration from a member of the FSU Belly Dancers, and traditional Egyptian food. This event is a great opportunity to engage in discussion with students from Egypt or of Egyptian heritage.

This event is free and open to the public. We hope to see you there!

More Upcoming Events

International Coffee Hour – Every Friday I 5-6:30 p.m. I The Globe Lounge & Dining Room

U.S. students, scholars, and faculty gather for coffee and snacks every Friday. It's a great place to meet new people from various parts of the world, see old friends, and make plans for the weekend.

English Conversation Club - Every Monday-Friday I 4-5 p.m. I The Globe Lounge

International students, scholars, and their families at all levels of speaking English as a second/other language are invited to meet in a relaxed atmosphere to practice conversational English. Groups are led by experienced English tutors.

Global Citizenship Drop-In Advising – Tues. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. I Wed. 1-3 p.m. I Fri. 1-3 p.m. I The Globe Suite 1200 Drop-in advising hours are for any student who wants to learn about the Global Citizenship Certificate. This certificate prepares FSU students to succeed in a diverse and multicultural world. Learn more: cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen.

Global Exchanges Information Sessions – Every Tuesday 3:30 p.m. I Every Wednesday 12:30 p.m. I The Globe Room

Find out how you can study at an international university while earning FSU credits, paying FSU tuition and using your financial aid! Topics covered include: selecting the right program, application process, and course selection and financial aid. See the complete list of FSU's global exchange programs at: **global.fsu.edu/exchanges**.

International Bazaar – Sat., Feb. 18 I 2-5 p.m. I FSU Oglesby Student Union

This free event is open to the public and will feature cultural displays, music and dance, interactive demos, global cuisine and a kids' corner. A variety of international foods will be available for purchase at \$5 per plate.

Global Partner Certificate: Bridging Cultures III (for Faculty, Staff & Grad Students) – Fri., Feb. 24 I 10 a.m.-12 p.m. I

The Globe Room 2300

The Global Partner Certificate is a Center for Global Engagement professional development initiative for those interested in improving their intercultural communication, knowledge, skills, and awareness, as well as becoming more globally competent. This certificate recognizes an individual's commitment to understanding and appreciating cultural diversity at FSU. Participants must complete all four workshops (in order) and three intercultural events offered on campus and/or in the Tallahassee community. Visit the **CGE website** for details.

Global Café - Italy – Fri., Feb. 24 I 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. I The Globe Dining Room

This week is co-hosted with the National Italian Honor Society. Open to the public. \$7 cash or check only.

International Student Employment Workshop - Sat., Feb. 25 I 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. I The Globe Auditorium

This workshop for international students features immigration attorney Fuji Wittenburg and presenters from the FSU Career Center. Hear more about transitioning from student to work visa status and options for obtaining permanent residence. Learn how to market your skills and identify potential job or internship opportunities. Postdoctoral and other FSU international employees are welcome to attend. Light breakfast and lunch are provided. To register, visit cge.fsu.edu/workshop.

Tax Workshop – Fri., March 3 I 1-5 p.m. I The Globe Auditorium

F-1 and J-1 students and scholars can attend our tax workshop to learn about filing taxes as residents and non-residents. GLACIER Tax Prep, tax preparatio software is provided by CGE for international students and scholars. Access is available now through your Glacier account.

Optional Practical Training (OPT) Workshop – Fri., March 10 | 2-4 p.m. | The Globe Room 2400

All F-1 international students nearing graduation are required to attend an OPT workshop (in person or online) if you are interested in working in the U.S. after graduation to gain experience in your field of study. Registration is required. To register, visit **cge.fsu.edu/workshop**. Multiple workshop dates are available: 3/10, 3/24, 4/21.



Denotes a Global Citizenship Certificate qualifying event.

The Global Citizenship Certificate is designed to help undergraduate students maximize the rich cultural learning experiences available to them on campus, in the community, and abroad. Learn more: cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen.

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