



# News You Can Use

February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009

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“Bringing the gifts that my ancestors gave, I am the dream and the hope of the slave. I rise. I rise. I rise.”

-Maya Angelou, "Still I Rise," *And Still I Rise*

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## CORNEL WEST

Indiana University Bloomington will celebrate Black History Month with a diverse calendar of events, including a lecture by one of America's most provocative intellectuals, Cornel West.

**Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> (at 7 p.m. in the IU Auditorium)**

For more information on Black History Month events, please visit:

<http://www.indiana.edu/~bhm/events.html>

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## 1) Volunteer Opportunity of the Week:

Sponsored by the City of Bloomington Volunteer Network. To subscribe to CBVN's weekly email updates on volunteer opportunities, visit [www.bloomington.in.gov/volunteer](http://www.bloomington.in.gov/volunteer).

### Warehouse/ Donation Pick Up

Help out in the Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County - ReStore warehouse, moving newly priced items out to the floor, helping donors by bringing donations into the intake area, and assisting the donation/intake staff with paperwork, pricing, cleaning, etc. Assist with pickups of donated materials by traveling with the driver. Load donated items onto the truck, and unload at ReStore. Must be able to lift 60 lbs. and be able to be in messy remodeling environments. Minimum age is 18.

[Read more or register to volunteer here.](#)

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## 2) Leadership Opportunities of the Week:

### Student Organization Ethics Board Applications – Due 2/27/09 by 5 pm

On behalf of the Student Activities Office and as Designees of the Dean of Students we, The Student Organization's Ethics Board, would invite you to apply for the upcoming 2009-2010 academic year!

Acting as designees of the Dean of Students, the Student Organization Ethics Board fosters student learning and development by holding student organizations accountable to the IU Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct. The collaborative process will enhance student civility, character, and citizenship while building a sense of community, responsibility, and a respect for diversity. It consists of one board with a maximum of 15 members, all varied representations of PHA, IFC, MCGC, NPHC, non-Greek organizations and residence hall leadership.

Members of the Student Organization Ethics Board are expected to uphold the standards and policies of Indiana University. The ethics board members must be willing to make tough decisions, utilize problem solving techniques, and be able to identify in-depth problems in an organization's culture. They will also be asked to create educational and innovative initiatives for student organizations found responsible.

PLEASE NOTE: The application process will include a written application due by February 27, 2009 at 5pm (NOT March 2 as indicated on the website application) in the Office of Students Activities or via e-mail to Laura Whitney, Student Organizations Ethics Board Advisor at [lewhitne@indiana.edu](mailto:lewhitne@indiana.edu). After we have reviewed the written applications, we will ask back a second round of applicants for interviews. A decision will be made by early May of 2009.

Please visit our website for information: [http://sao.indiana.edu/ethics\\_board\\_what\\_is\\_it.html](http://sao.indiana.edu/ethics_board_what_is_it.html)

Thank you for your time and consideration. We hope that you apply for this demanding position and help better IU's rich tradition and responsibility of student involvement.

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### Pictures, Videos, & YOUR VOICES are needed for the 2009 Student Organization Celebration Video

The Student Organization Celebration planning committee is now collecting pictures and videos from 2008 that highlight the 600+ student organizations on campus. We are looking for photos and videos that represent your organization and that would be recognizable as your organization to the viewers. We are also asking for students, faculty and advisors to volunteer to be videotaped speaking about their experiences, accomplishments and overall feelings from 2008 about student organizations.

**All material is due by Friday, March 27, 2009 at 5pm.**

*\*Please note that files must be original files and that files gathered from Facebook cannot be accepted as the quality of this material is not usable. Also, hard copy material will not be returned.*

#### Contact information:

EMAIL: [celebration.video.2009@gmail.com](mailto:celebration.video.2009@gmail.com)

MAIL: Student Organization Planning Committee, Student Activities Office, IMU Suite 371, Bloomington, Indiana 47405

FILE TRANSFER: Available on Fridays from 2pm to 5pm at the IMU. Please email to set up a time to meet.

VIDEO TAPING FOR INTERVIEWS: Also available on Fridays from 2pm to 5pm at the IMU. Please email to set up a time to meet.

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### 3) Upcoming Events

**Who:** Muslim Student Union

**What:** "The Art of Poetics" Lyrics Workshop and Discussion

**Where:** Frangipani Room of the Union

**When:** Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 1 pm

**Why:** The program consists of poetically inclined musicians performing some of the great works of the American and British musical canon, as the audience follows along with lyric sheets. Every couple of songs will be followed by a short discussion in which attendees and artists share their interpretation of the songs. The audience is encouraged to view the songs in terms of their intellectual, social, racial, and spiritual implications. The program features music from artists such as Coldplay, Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen, and the Beatles.

**For more info:** please visit [www.PoeticVisionTour.com](http://www.PoeticVisionTour.com) or email [saansari@indiana.edu](mailto:saansari@indiana.edu)

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**What:** Indonesian Culture Night

**Where:** Neal-Marshall Black Culture Center

**When:** Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm

**Why:** The Indonesian Student Association (PERMIAS) will be presenting its annual event "Indonesian Night". Intended to enrich diversity at IU, the association's goal is to share the Indonesian culture and to create interest amongst people to learn more about this beautiful country. Highlights this year will include traditional dances (Dish Dance, Yamong, and Gatokoco Grandrung) and traditional musical instruments such as gamelan and anklung. There will be a door prize, arts and crafts, and delicious food.

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**Who:** African Women Student Association (AWSA)

**What:** Mass Meeting

**When:** Tuesday, Feb. 24th, 5:30 - 7 pm

**Where:** Woodburn Hall 104

**Why:** African Women Student Association (AWSA) is a social group for all women of any color that is interested in African Women issues and studies. We meet bi-weekly to discuss growing issues in Africa that affect and impact women. If you are majoring in African and African-American Diaspora Studies, Gender Studies, African Studies, or International Studies, this group will be a great fit into your interests. However, this group is not limited to those majors. Come join us Tuesday, February 24th in Woodburn Hall 104 from 5:30-7 PM. We will be discussing upcoming events like African Night and forums that we will be holding as well as eating FREE FOOD!

**For more info:** If you have any questions about the organization feel free to contact Elizabeth Uduehi: [enuduehi@indiana.edu](mailto:enuduehi@indiana.edu) or visit our Facebook group: Indiana University-African Women Student Association.

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**What:** Last Intramural Sports sign up of the semester! It's time to start thinking warm and get ready to sign some teams up for Outdoor Soccer, Softball, 4on4 Volleyball, and Extreme Dodgeball.

**When & Where:** Tuesday, February 24 at HPER or SRSC.

**Why:** It's your last chance to win one of those sweet t-shirts that you've seen everyone wearing!

**For more info:** If you have any questions please feel free to email us at [recsport@indiana.edu](mailto:recsport@indiana.edu) or check out our website at [http://www.iurecsports.org/intramural\\_sports](http://www.iurecsports.org/intramural_sports)

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**Who:** City of Bloomington's Dr. King Celebration Committee

**What:** public forum- "Economic Justice for All: Where do we go from Here?"

**Where:** Council Chambers of City Hall, 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington

**When:** Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm

**Why:** The King Commission is sponsoring this forum to discuss the causes and consequences of the current economic crisis. Further, it will provide the citizens of Bloomington with the opportunity to express their views,

discuss how the crisis is affecting their lives and offer ideas on how to encourage greater economic justice and decent living standards for all Americans.

**For more info:** please contact Craig Brenner, City Community and Family Resources Department Special Projects Coordinator, at 812-349-3471 or [brennerc@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:brennerc@bloomington.in.gov).

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**What: Summer Camp Jobs Fair**

**Where:** Alumni Hall, IMU

**When:** Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am - 3 pm

**Why:** OVER 65 different camp representatives from across the United States will be in attendance to recruit IU students for summer work and volunteer work. Working at summer camp is great opportunity for college students to enhance their transferable skills in communication, problem solving, leadership, and event planning. Working at a camp can be an invaluable experience to have on a resume!

**For more info:** please contact Julie Knapp at [julknapp@indiana.edu](mailto:julknapp@indiana.edu) or visit the website at [www.indiana.edu/~campfair](http://www.indiana.edu/~campfair)

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**Who: Hoosier Sports Business Organization**

**What:** Sonny Vaccaro, "The Godfather of Basketball"

**Where:** TBA

**When:** Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm

**Why:** Considered one of basketball's most well-connected insiders, Sonny Vaccaro remains a formidable force in contemporary sports marketing and grassroots basketball. His visionary promotional innovations (beginning with the signing of Michael Jordan to his first major endorsement package) revolutionized the sports marketing genre with shoe endorsements, team affiliations and other ground-breaking promotional partnerships which have helped propel the fortunes of countless athletes, collegiate programs and professional teams. In a career spanning 30-plus years in the shoe industry, he brought his marketing and player development alchemy to basketball programs at the world's three largest companies in athletic shoes and apparel.

**For more info:** please contact [hsbo.iu@gmail.com](mailto:hsbo.iu@gmail.com)

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**Who: Native American Graduate Student Association and Native American Community Center of Bloomington, Inc.**

**What:** 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Native Film Series

**Where:** TBA

**When:** Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

**For more info:** please contact [nagsa@indiana.edu](mailto:nagsa@indiana.edu)

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**What: Student Organization Celebration Award Nominations!**

**Where:** Alumni Hall, IMU

**When:** April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 6:30 - 8:30 pm; **nominations due 3/13/09**

**Why:** All Indiana University student organizations are invited to attend the Student Organization Celebration to recognize the achievements of all the organizations over the past year. This is also a chance to recognize outstanding organizations in our community. Let's celebrate the great things Indiana University Student Organizations do!

There are 5 Award Categories for ALL organizations to apply for to be recognized at the Celebration. The categories are Leadership Development, Diversity, Civic Engagement, Collaboration, and Up and Coming Organization. The nomination form is attached and is due March 13<sup>th</sup> to the Student Activities Office or through email to [sao@indiana.edu](mailto:sao@indiana.edu).

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**Who: The Office of the Provost and the Indiana University Diversity Committee**

**What:** First Annual Campus-wide Conversation on Diversity- Theme: "Diversity is bigger than you think"

**Where:** Whittenberger Auditorium, IMU

**When:** Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm

**Why:** Keynote Speaker/Poet: **Professor Rita Dove**, two-term Poet Laureate of the United States and Pulitzer Prize-Winning Poet. Please join us and hear Professor Dove's second reading from her new book of poetry titled "Sonata Mulattica" - interspersed with remarks that focus upon diversity.\* Professor Dove won the Pulitzer Prize in 1987 for her acclaimed poetry collection *Thomas and Beulah*, making her the second African American poet (after Gwendolyn Brooks in 1950) to receive the prestigious prize. Other publications by Ms. Dove include her first poetry collection, *The Yellow House on the Corner* (1980), *Museum* (1983), *Grace Notes* (1989), *Mother Love* (1995), *On the Bus with Rosa Parks* (1999), and *American Smooth* (2004). Rita Dove is Commonwealth Professor of English at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

**For more info:** please contact [calloway@indiana.edu](mailto:calloway@indiana.edu)

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## 4) Cultural News

### Asian Culture Center

#### Who are Asian Pacific Americans? Lunch and discussion

Date: Friday, February 20

Time: 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Venue: Asian Culture Center, 807 E. 10th Street

Description: In the movies, Asian Americans are often depicted as being Buddhist. It is very rare to see an Asian American emerging from a church. However, according to the website Asian Nation, 21% of Asian American adults are Catholics, followed by 20% who have no religious affiliation or are agnostics. Only 9% of Asian American adults identify themselves as being Buddhists. Therefore in this discussion we will focus on all of the different religious affiliations of Asian Americans.

Who are APA is a bi-monthly roundtable lunch discussion that allows students and community members to talk about specific topics such as: APA identity, misconceptions, model minority myth, APA and media representation, bi-racial culture, and others. Light lunch provided to participants.

For more info, please contact Mai-Lin Poon at [mpon@indiana.edu](mailto:mpon@indiana.edu)

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### La Casa Latino Culture Center

#### February 27 & 28 ~ Peregrinos Celebration

After nearly two extraordinary years of listening, learning and exploring the rich stories of Latino immigrants that have chosen to make central Indiana their home, the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra is proud to present the world premiere of *Peregrinos* by composer Gabriela Lena Frank on February 27 & 28. This new work for orchestra would not have been possible without the incredible people who generously shared their dreams, struggles, tragedies and triumphs with us. As someone who has had involvement and interest in the project, we invite you to a preview celebration on Thursday evening, February 12 from 5:30-7:30 at the Hilbert Circle Theatre. Complete details are in the attached invitation. Gabriela will be coming to Indianapolis that evening to give our special guests her personal insights about how she was inspired to create the music that reflects our city's evolving culture. I hope that you will join us for this celebration! Space is limited, so please RSVP as noted in the invitation.

**For more info:** Beth Perdue Outland | [boutland@IndianapolisSymphony.org](mailto:boutland@IndianapolisSymphony.org)

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## 5) Additional Opportunities

### Indiana University Student Foundation – Metz Grant

The Indiana University Student Foundation is proud to announce the Metz Grant for IU student organizations seeking financial support for a philanthropic cause.

Funding for the Metz Grant Program comes from the Arthur R. Metz Philanthropic Opportunity Fund and is administered through the IUSF Special Events Committee. The Metz Grant Program will annually award \$50,000 in grant money; \$25,000 in the fall and \$25,000 in the spring.

Metz Grants are available to IU student organizations that are registered through the Student Activities Office. Applicants must demonstrate a need for financial support for a philanthropic cause. If your organization is not registered through the SAO, you may apply for official recognition through the SAO website.

There are five categories under which each applicant can register: Campus Diversity, Local, State, National, or International. Organizations may apply for amounts up to \$5,000. Ten finalists will be required to make a presentation to the selection committee.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Applications due by 4:00 p.m. on March 5 to the Wilcox House
- Finalist notified March 11
- Finalist presentations March 31
- Winners notified on April 1
- Winners recognized at Scholarship Banquet on April 20

The application and tips on writing grant proposals can be found at:  
[http://www.iusf.indiana.edu/Scholarships\\_Grants/Grants.html](http://www.iusf.indiana.edu/Scholarships_Grants/Grants.html)

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## Scholarship Opportunity for only Undergraduate Males

Alpha Phi Alpha Presents: Paul Robeson Oratorical Scholarship Contest

In the words of Paul Robeson: "Freedom is a hard bought thing and millions are in chains, but they strain to the new day drawing near."

The question: "With the election of a Black President and freedom as an end goal, how are we as African American leaders going to fulfill the social responsibility of releasing those people who are racially and socially held captive?"

Please submit an essay that deals with the topic in a Word Document attachment with one inch margins, double-spaced, with a minimum of 1,000 words, but no more than 1,500 words. Cover page should include full name, campus email, campus address, phone number, class standing, and date submitted. **Essays will be due Wednesday March 11, 2009 at 5:00 PM.** Essays can be submitted via email to [apa1906@indiana.edu](mailto:apa1906@indiana.edu) or to the Neal Marshall Director's office.

Those essays chosen to compete in the oratorical contest will be notified via email on March 23, 2009 and will present their essays in front of a panel of judges at the Scholarship Banquet on Sunday March 29, 2009. The Oratorical Contest winner will be awarded \$500.

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## Create the 2009 Homecoming Theme! Pick the 2009 Homecoming Grand Marshal!

Feeling creative? Want to leave your legacy at Indiana University?

Submit your ideas for the Homecoming 2009 theme and help to select a Grand Marshal for the 2009 Homecoming parade!

Deadline: March 1, 2009.

Email [lischand@indiana.edu](mailto:lischand@indiana.edu) to submit Homecoming theme ideas and names for potential grand marshals.

The winner will receive \$50! Sponsored by the Student Alumni Association (SAA) and the Indiana University Alumni Association (IUAA).

Examples of past IU Homecoming Themes:

2008: Hoosier Field of Dreams. 2007: Rock the House. 2006: Glory Days. 2005: Come Alive in 2005. 2004: The Legend of Old IU. 2003: Sweet Home Indiana. 2002: Show Your True Colors – A Cream and Crimson Homecoming. 2001: Let the Good Times Roll. 2000: Back Where You Belong.

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## Miss Gay Indiana University 2009 Contestant Application Available

Bloomington, IN, 2/9/2009—Miss Gay Indiana University contestant applications are now available via the OUT GLBT Student Union (OUT) website located at <http://www.indiana.edu/~out>.

Contestant applications may be downloaded by following the "Miss Gay IU" link on the left hand side of the OUT website. Applications are in PDF format, and can be printed and filled out per the contestant.

Applications may also be picked up from the OUT office at the address located below, or per request by emailing [out@indiana.edu](mailto:out@indiana.edu).

All COMPLETED applications must be received by OUT no later than Wednesday April 8, 2009. If applications are sent via snail-mail, they must be received no later than the aforementioned deadline.

Applications may also be returned to any OUT executive member, or slipped under the OUT office door with all required materials. There is a limit of eight (8) contestants for Miss Gay IU 2009.

Miss Gay Indiana University 2009 is themed "Angel Fashion Show", inspired by the famous high fashion runway show put on by retail store, Victoria's Secret. Ten-percent (10%) of all ticket sales will be given to a charitable cause, to be determined, by current reigning MGIU Britney Taylor.

Please direct all questions through e-mail, [OUT@indiana.edu](mailto:OUT@indiana.edu).

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## Move Your Mail

University Information Technology Services (UITs) has launched the "Move Your Mail" campaign to encourage students still using the old IU Webmail system to switch to Imail (powered by Microsoft) and/or Umail (powered by Google). Both offer a host of new features as well as enhanced email and collaboration tools. Students will still use their familiar university email address with the new systems.

As part of the campaign, UITs has created an online resource where students can learn more and make the quick and easy switch to the new systems:

<http://moveit.iu.edu/>

More than 50,000 students across the IU system already have either an Imail or Umail account thanks to a ground breaking agreement with both Microsoft and Google, making IU the first university to offer students a choice between hosted email clients.

Imail offers many features similar to Hotmail accounts. Umail offers features similar to Gmail accounts. Both Imail and Umail accounts are completely separate from any other accounts students may have with either Microsoft or Google. The IU versions of the email services are ad-free and are as safe, private, and secure as IU Webmail.

Students can switch to the new email in a few simple steps by clicking the "GO!" button at:

<http://moveit.iu.edu/>

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## GLBTSSS Coming-out Discussion and Support Group

Looking for a place to explore your lesbian, gay, or bisexual identity in a safe, supportive atmosphere? This spring, the GLBTSSS office at IUB will be sponsoring a coming-out discussion and support group. This will be a confidential group designed to help participants explore a variety of coming out issues. The group will meet on Tuesday evenings starting February 17<sup>th</sup> and is FREE!! People of all genders are welcome, but the group will be limited to 12 participants...so inquire early!

**For more info:** Please contact René at [gltbcoun@indiana.edu](mailto:gltbcoun@indiana.edu) or 855-0916 if interested

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## LAMP Now Accepting Applications

The Liberal Arts and Management Program (LAMP) is now accepting applications from freshmen and sophomores until March 31st. This honors-level interdisciplinary certificate program allows for undergraduates to receive degrees within the College of Arts and Sciences while also taking core business and leadership classes from the Kelley School of Business. LAMP provides small, innovative courses for its students to work together, hosts career-oriented activities for its future-minded participants, and strives to support the growth and diversity of students' interests and future goals. For more information on how this program will enhance your career, your leadership skills and your business savvy, please visit the website at [www.indiana.edu/~lamp](http://www.indiana.edu/~lamp) or call (812) 856-4966 to schedule an appointment.

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## Campus Super Star Auditions

Campus Super Star 2009 is a phenomenal way for students to showcase their vocal talent and have a chance of winning \$5,000 toward furthering their musical career.

Campus Super Star is Indiana University Hillel's search for the most talented vocalist attending any of the universities or colleges in the state of Indiana. Loosely based on the hit television show "American Idol" ©, Campus Super Star takes contestants through three exciting rounds of competition. The event culminates with a final competition and celebration on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, at the historic Madame Walker Theater in Indianapolis.

So, do you think you can sing? Do you want to turn \$5.00 into \$5,000? Join us for Campus Super Star try-outs on **Sunday, February 22 from 11:00am-5:00pm in Ballantine Hall room 109**. Entrance is only \$5.00!

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## LeaderShape 2009

### Early Application Deadline: March 1

The Indiana University Student Alumni Association (SAA) is proud to bring **LeaderShape**, a six-day leadership institute, to **Waycross Camp and Conference Center** in Morgantown, Indiana from **May 20-25, 2009**.

Student leaders throughout the university are invited to embark on a life-altering journey which will challenge their abilities through an intense learning process.

Program participants who successfully complete the LeaderShape Institute will:

- Emerge with distinctive appreciations and abilities in the areas of communication, leadership, teamwork, and vision-goal attainment.
- Be inspired with a refined vision for their organization or cause.
- Generate strong bonds and friendships among participants which will carry back to campus for continued motivation and collaboration.

- Establish a network of individuals bound to become influential components of their respective communities.

The early application deadline is March 1, 2009! Check out our website at <http://alumni.indiana.edu/saa/leaderShape.shtml>.

Please email [zfriedri@indiana.edu](mailto:zfriedri@indiana.edu) with any questions.

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## Student Choice Awards 2009

**VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE PROFESSOR NOW UNTIL MARCH 10, 2009 at <http://www.indiana.edu/~saa>.**

The talented, inspiring, and dedicated professors at Indiana University are responsible for the personal and academic growth of thousands of students. To encourage professors' continued dedication and to commend their past efforts, the Student Alumni Association created the Student Choice Awards in the 1970s.

From **February 16 to March 10**, students will be able to nominate their **favorite professors** for the **2009 Student Choice Awards**. Students may visit the IU Student Alumni Association website at <http://www.indiana.edu/~saa> and follow the Student Choice Awards link to cast their online vote. Students may also use paper ballots, which will be available in residence halls and other prominent campus locations, to vote for their favorite professors. Students are encouraged to vote for as many different professors as they like, but may only vote for an individual professor one time. Associate instructors are not eligible to receive votes.

### To qualify for a 2009 Student Choice Award, professors must have:

- Taught at least six hours for four of the past six semesters
- Been on the Bloomington campus for three years
- Received at least three Student Choice Award nominations

**Voting will end on March 10.** The winning professors will receive their awards at the Spring Recognition Banquet, an invitation-only event to be held on April 26 at the Virgil T. DeVault Alumni Center on the IU Bloomington campus.

For more information, email Steve Blomeke, SAA Director of Outreach, at [sblomeke@indiana.edu](mailto:sblomeke@indiana.edu). ALL STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE!

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## CASL's "Top 10 Student Leaders" Scholarship

Attention Student Leaders!!!

The Council for Advancing Student Leadership (CASL) wants to recognize your importance to the Indiana University Bloomington community. As a student leader on campus you are eligible to apply for the "Top Ten Student Leaders" Scholarships. Each year CASL, along with the Center for Student Leadership Development, recognizes ten outstanding student leaders with \$500 scholarships for the hard work and dedication it takes to be a campus leader. We are currently inviting individuals that have held a leadership position during the 2008-2009 academic year to apply. Applications are available online at [www.iub.edu/~casl](http://www.iub.edu/~casl) or [www.iub.edu/~csld](http://www.iub.edu/~csld).

Requirements for the scholarships are as follows:

- 2.7 GPA minimum
- Currently enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours
- Hold a leadership role in a student organization
- Sophomore, Junior, or Senior class standing

All applications must be **received by** Wednesday, March 25, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions please contact CASL at 856-CASL (856-2275).

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## Women of Color Leadership Conference Call for Proposal

Women of Color Leadership Institute (WOCLI) mission is to promote African American, Asian American, Latino and Native American women by empowering them with the skills and knowledge needed to: foster academic success, establish a support network, support the goal of graduation, and improve personal achievement by influencing leadership through unity and a commitment to humankind.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Women of Color Leadership conference, led this year by WOCLI, will take place on Friday, April 10, and Saturday, April 11, 2009 at Indiana University Bloomington.

This year's theme is "**The Progression of Women in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Health, Higher Education, and Politics.**"

**Proposal Requirements:** This year's Women of Color conference will emphasize topic areas that are representative of the progression of Women of Color in these three areas. The first track entails "**Health.**" This track allows participants to understand topics of health concern that impact today's women of color. The second track, "**Higher Education**" will allow participants to critically discuss steps and challenges that plague women of color in shaping their future in educational settings. Finally, "**Politics,**" will provide for an examination of current politics and the role that women of color play in this area. The Women of Color Leadership Conference committee is inviting presenters to submit a 250 word abstract that summarizes the focus of their workshop. Please include with the abstract the title, and which "track" and "topic" it falls under. All proposals must be typed. Workshops should be informative, innovative, and original. If you have any questions/concerns, feel free to contact the conference committee at [wocli@indiana.edu](mailto:wocli@indiana.edu).

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## GrowIndiana AmeriCorps Grant

GrowIndiana AmeriCorps members provide direct service and support to local 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade schools to increase both math awareness and student performance. Members address the needs of the state of Indiana through the coordination and implementation of math tutor programs, while building relationships between higher education institutions, local community organizations and Indiana schools. Members provide leadership in the community and on campus promoting community involvement, service, and civic engagement.

**For more info:** Emily Sellers-Christopher, GrowIndiana Program Director, [sellerse@iupui.edu](mailto:sellerse@iupui.edu) or (317) 274-6504.

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## IUSA Green Initiative Fund: Your Help Needed!

In the coming months, the Indiana University Student Association (IUSA) will be collecting signatures to establish an optional Green Initiative Fund, which will be available to students when they register for classes online. This fee, if it is approved, will be allocated on a per-semester basis by a committee of students selected by the IUSA Department of Sustainability, to projects that support environmental initiatives on campus.

To make this optional fee available on the registration checkbox list for the upcoming academic year, IUSA must collect the signatures of one-quarter of the enrolled student body – about 10,000 students – this semester. So how can you help? One of the best ways to get involved is to collect signatures at your organization's meetings. Please keep in mind that signing the collection forms does not obligate students to contribute to the fund.

Forms and FAQ sheets are available in the IUSA Office, on the third floor of the Student Activities Office at the Indiana Memorial Union, and they should be returned to the same location once they are filled

out. **For more info:** Abby Schwimmer, IUSA Director of Sustainability, at [acschwim@indiana.edu](mailto:acschwim@indiana.edu).

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## **LEAD IU Courses: Learn Necessary Skills for the Future**

The LEAD IU program at IU is looking for individuals to enroll in the 2<sup>nd</sup> 8 weeks of classes. Below are the course descriptions:

### **Leadership Essentials, 1 Credit**

This course will allow students to explore personal values and goals, learn about characteristics (inherited and acquired), recognize motivation sources, and survey a variety of leadership approaches/styles. Participants will leave the course with a better understanding of self and how leadership fits into our daily lives.

**Section#**                      **2<sup>nd</sup> 8 Weeks Time: TR 10:10- 11:00 AM**      **Location: Read-Clark CLDC**

### **Facilitation, 1 Credit**

This course is excellent for students planning on being Orientation Leaders, Resident Assistance, Presidents, Recruitment Counselors, and or any role that requires students to facilitate large groups of peers. Students will explore their role of facilitation in relation to group dynamics and organizational theory. Facilitation techniques and implications will be discussed.

**Section# 12146**              **2<sup>nd</sup> 8 Weeks Time: MW 2:30- 3:20 PM**              **Location: IMU Room TBA**

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## **TWIX® Brand is launching the "Funniest College Student on Campus Contest"**

This contest is giving students nationwide a chance to win \$3,000 and the ultimate week-long internship: a behind-the-scenes taste of the business of comedy in Chicago at the *TBS Very Funny Festival: Just For Laughs* in June. Now through April Fools' Day, students attending a U.S. college, university, trade school or junior college can submit funny-focused video entries at [www.funnieststudent.twix.com](http://www.funnieststudent.twix.com)

Not only is this internship a great opportunity in itself, it would be a great way for Communications majors and/or aspiring actors to network.

This once-in-a-lifetime, one-week internship is scheduled to include:

- A meeting with a senior manager of the *TBS Very Funny Festival: Just For Laughs*
- The opportunity to shadow a member of the Festival staff
- A chance to see the inner workings of a festival rehearsal
- Tickets to six different festival shows

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## **Summer Service Trip Opportunity**

Roots, Fruits & Jamaican Ecologies: Permaculture Initiatives in the Blue & John Crow Mountains (Summer I. 2009)

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This interdisciplinary service-learning course (3 credits, 6-weeks) is a partnership between Indiana University, the Jamaica Conservation and Development Trust (JCdT), and the community of Millbank in eastern Jamaica. Permaculture is a systems thinking approach meant to create productive and sustainable ways of living by integrating ecological knowledge, landscape design, organic gardening/farming, green architecture, and cultural practices/knowledge. In Jamaica students will participate in permaculture and service-learning initiatives associated with park management, sustainable agriculture, and ecotourism projects. Class sessions at IU provide students with an understanding of: 1) basic permaculture design principles; 2) cultural practices in rural Jamaican communities; 3) ecological characteristics of mountainous regions in the Caribbean; and 4) the ways in which

humans (re)shape local environments. The seminars given in Jamaica with conservationists, park rangers, farmers, community leaders, herbalists, spiritualists, poets, and musicians place further emphasis on the roots and the fruits of indigenous agricultural, environmental, and cultural practices.

SUMMER I. COURSE DATES: May 12-June 18, 2009 (May 31-June 14 in Jamaica)

INSTRUCTORS: Dr. John Galuska (cultural anthropologist, folklorist & ethnomusicologist) & Brett Mattingly (biologist)

COURSE NUMBER & CREDIT HOURS: OVST J-497, "Overseas Study in the Caribbean" (3-credits), honored as equivalent to Latin American Studies L-426 (Culture Studies, A-list)

SUMMER I. COURSE TIMES & LOCATION: M-F (2-hours/day) meeting time & location TBA

PRIORITY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Friday, February 20, 2009

TOTAL COURSE COSTS: (Includes ALL expenses...3-credit hours, round-trip airfare, ground transportation, food, lodging, and workshop fees): \$2,300 for Resident Students & \$2,500 for Non-Resident Students

COURSE DEPOSIT: A \$300 deposit will be due by March 23, 2009 (after course acceptance and enrollment authorization are given)

COURSE CONTACT:

Dr. John D. Galuska

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