



# News You Can Use

March 6th, 2009

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*"Destiny is not necessarily what we get out of life, but rather, what we give." --Cary Grant*

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## Spring Break Volunteer Opportunity

*"Looking for something meaningful and free to do this spring break? Help local agencies "fill the gap" by volunteering here in Bloomington! Visit the City of Bloomington Volunteer Network at [http://volunteer.united-e-way.org/cobvn/org/opp/medallions/?medallion\\_id=10308317181](http://volunteer.united-e-way.org/cobvn/org/opp/medallions/?medallion_id=10308317181) for more information."*

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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).

### Feed Your Inner Geek! - April 3

Harmony School is looking for volunteers to staff demonstration tables that students can visit to explore scientific phenomena, math principles or technological wonders! On April 3rd Harmony School will be hosting a Math/Science/Technology Expo featuring projects throughout the school. No expertise needed; they have demos ready to go! Students will be making their own displays in their creation classes in March. Min. age is 18.

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

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## 2) Leadership Opportunities of the Week:

### Student Organization Celebration

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. Award nomination forms can be picked up in the Student Activities or requested to [sao@indiana.edu](mailto:sao@indiana.edu). The nomination form is **due March 13th** to the Student Activities Office or through email to [sao@indiana.edu](mailto:sao@indiana.edu)

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## 3) Upcoming Events

### **What: THETAlicious Week of Events**

**Who:** Theta Nu Xi, Multicultural Sorority, Inc.

**When:** March 23 - March 28

**Why:**

Support the members of Theta Nu Xi with their week of events happening on and around campus!

**For more info:** [tnx@indiana.edu](mailto:tnx@indiana.edu)

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### **What: Dinner with 12 Hoosiers.**

**Who:** International Students

**When:** March 24th

**Why:** International Students are invited to the upcoming Dinner with 12 Hoosiers at Eric DeHaan's home. Mr. DeHaan is the Director of International Alumni Relations and is inviting you into his home for a night a FREE food, networking, and casual conversation on March 24th.

**For more info:** [www.indiana.edu/~saa](http://www.indiana.edu/~saa), Eric DeHaan ([edehaan@indiana.edu](mailto:edehaan@indiana.edu)) or Steven Blomeke ([sblomeke@umail.iu.edu](mailto:sblomeke@umail.iu.edu))

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### **What: A Brazilian Experience!**

**Who:** IMU Union Board

**Where:** Tudor Room, Indiana Memorial Union

**When:** Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 2009, 6:30pm

**Why:** Come enjoy a celebration of Brazilian culture! There will be authentic Brazilian cuisine, dance, and music! We will be exploring the culture, socio-political issues as well as be giving an opportunity to give to a non-profit organization, Youth Art Haven which is raising money to serve as a refuge for Brazilian children from sex trafficking. Youth Art Haven has a web page at <http://www.youtharthaven.org/>. Their goal is to raise \$4,000. FREE for Students, \$25 for NON-Students

**For more info:** [ubice@indiana.edu](mailto:ubice@indiana.edu)

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### **Who: Taste of Asia: Volunteers Needed!**

**What:** Need volunteer hours? Need a something to put on your resume? Want to participate in the LARGEST event attended on the IU campus?

**Why:** The Asian American Association is looking for volunteers to help with ticket-handling, aid in food serving,

become stage hands, or with the general order of the crowd miscellaneous duties. Taste of Asia (ToA) will be on April 5th at 4PM and its the largest attended event on campus, and a lot of hands are needed. If you need an opportunity to boost your resume or fulfill volunteer hour requirements, this is YOUR opportunity! Free food will also be provided at the event!

**For more info:** [enuduehi@indiana.edu](mailto:enuduehi@indiana.edu).

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**Who: Theta Nu Xi and NAACP**

**What:** Third annual **Take ONE Multicultural Talent Competition**

**Where:** Willkie Auditorium

**When:** Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

**Why:** The talent show will take place on as part of *Thetalicious*, Theta Nu Xi's week of events. We are asking for acts that are demonstrative of a particular culture or subculture and will be entertaining to the audience. This could include, but is not limited to, dancing, singing, acting, spoken word, etc. Contestants will be competing for prizes in two categories, Group Performance and Individual Performance, so please indicate which one best describes your act on your registration form.

Click [HERE](#) for the registration form. Please fill out and e-mail to [tnx@indiana.edu](mailto:tnx@indiana.edu).

All forms must be received **NO LATER THAN MARCH 9**, but the earlier the better!

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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. Rita Dove is Commonwealth Professor of English at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

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

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**What: The Life Skills Series**

**Who:** Students

**Where:** IU Health Center for Counseling and Psychological Services

**When:** March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Why:** The 3-session Life Skills Series begins in March and repeats in April. You can attend one or more of these programs, just stop by! The first session is on conquering procrastination.

**For more info:** [healthcenter.indiana.edu/caps.html](http://healthcenter.indiana.edu/caps.html)

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**What: Dancing with the Professors**

**Who:** IU Dancesport & Hoosier Hills Food Bank

**Where:** HPER 163

**When:** Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Why:** Come and watch the best ballroom competition in Bloomington!

**For more info:** [www.iub.edu/~dance](http://www.iub.edu/~dance)

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

**Where:** Alumni Hall, IMU

**When:** April 15th, 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 13th to the Student Activities Office or through email to [sao@indiana.edu](mailto:sao@indiana.edu).

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## 4) Cultural News

### Asian Cultural Center

#### Win an iPod Touch!!! APA Heritage Month Annual Creative Writing Contest 2009

**"The Many Meanings of Diversity: Challenges, Paradoxes, and Opportunities"**

**Deadline for Submission: Tuesday, March 24, 2009.**

The Indiana University Asian Culture Center, with co-sponsorship from the IU Creative Writing Program, Hutton Honors College, Office of Multicultural Initiatives, and The Office of Vice President for International Affairs is proud to announce its annual Asian Pacific American Heritage Creative Writing Contest.

#### **Contest Theme:**

The broad theme for the contest is "The Many Meanings of Diversity: Challenges, Paradoxes, and Opportunities." We are looking for creative examinations of issues in ethnicity, race, gender, identity, disability, age, class, religion, and diversity in the American experience through three genres in creative writing: short fiction, poetry, or creative nonfiction. This year's theme is meant not only to have the contestants think about the varied definitions of diversity, but also to examine how these apply or relate to Asian Americans.

**For more info:** [acc@indiana.edu](mailto:acc@indiana.edu) or [www.indiana.edu/~acc](http://www.indiana.edu/~acc)

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### La Casa Latino Culture Center

#### Brazilian Carnival 2009

**When:** April 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 p.m. to close

**Where:** Bluebird

Join us in this celebratory spectacle and authentic demonstration of Brazilian Carnival dance, costuming, people, music, and drink. The much-anticipated, annual Brazilian Carnival will feature percussionists with the best of Samba Enredo and Batucada, accompanied by 15 dancers in their "barely there" costumes adorned in sequins, beads and feathers. An acrobatic Capoeira and Maculelê show with Axé Capoeira Chicago. An eclectic mix of Afro-Brazilian rhythms PLUS a Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu performance, real caipirinhas, a photo booth with photographer Eddy Price, and face painting (provided by DBR volunteers). Experience the color, sound, performance and taste of Brazil right here in Bloomington! Must be 21+. \$5 for the appropriately attired (masks, feathers, costumes etc...) \$7 for the uninspired \*\*1st 10 people in costume get in FREE!! 10% of Costumes and accessories at Costumes Delight (336 S. Walnut St) If you mention this event. Many thanks to our sponsors: *Brazilian Association at IU, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, African American and African Diaspora Studies, La Casa Latino Cultural Center and Costume Delights*

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## International Cultural Center

### Noon Concert Series

You are invited to join us this **Friday, March 13th, 12:00-1:00 p.m.** at the International Center and enjoy beautiful music at our Noon Concert Series. Our guest performer this week is baritone, Antonio Santos, from Spain. A light lunch will follow the concert. See you then!

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## First Nations Educational and Cultural Center

### Native American- style Gourd Rattle Workshop

**When:** March 28, 2009, 2:00 p.m.

**Where:** Eigenmann Hall Game Room

Prior registration required: Deadline March 24, 2009. Participants will have opportunity to learn more about traditional gourd rattles by California Indians of North America. (Limited Registration – Please register quickly by email [fnecc@indiana.edu](mailto:fnecc@indiana.edu))

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## 5) Additional Opportunities

### Teach for America

Teach For America is the national corps of outstanding recent college graduates and working professionals - of all academic majors, backgrounds and career interests - who commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders for expanding educational opportunity for all children. We seek outstanding individuals who possess the leadership skills and experience that will enable them to change the prospects of students growing up today and, ultimately, to effect the fundamental change in our society that will make it a place of opportunity for all. Learn more about the ways our alumni use our partnerships with over 100 graduate, medical and law schools and over 20 top employers, including GE, Google, JPMorgan Chase, Goldman Sachs, and Wachovia: [http://www.teachforamerica.org/alumni/grad\\_school\\_partnerships.htm](http://www.teachforamerica.org/alumni/grad_school_partnerships.htm)

We will be hosting several 2010 graduate recruiting events this spring. Any juniors who are interested, please contact Lee Robbins ([lee.robbs@teachforamerica.org](mailto:lee.robbs@teachforamerica.org)) at your earliest convenience.

Remember the people who helped you succeed? Teach For being a role model for others.

**For more info:** <http://www.teachforamerica.org>

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## Be a "Hero for the American Red Cross"

Want an excellent opportunity to become involved in a worthwhile local humanitarian cause—and receive recognition, too? A "Hero for the American Red Cross" is any individual, business, group or association who pledges to raise or give \$1,000 or more before or during our spring campaign March 10- April 28, 2009. We offer marketing and fund raising supplies, support, and ideas. The Red Cross provides immediate emergency aid during disasters, (floods, tornadoes, home fires, etc.) collects 45% of the country's life-giving blood, delivers emergency services to U.S. military soldiers and their families, and teaches millions of individuals every year to be prepared in emergencies through classes in first aid, CPR, AED, caregiving and aquatics safety. While a large part of the

work is done by volunteers, these dedicated people are trained, supplied, and directed by a small paid staff to carry out our humanitarian mission.

**For more info:** Sue Gulley at [suegulley@monroe-redcross.org](mailto:suegulley@monroe-redcross.org) or 812-332-7292 or Eric Baker at [erdbaker@indiana.edu](mailto:erdbaker@indiana.edu)

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## InfoArt Survey

We are two students, studying graphic design, interested in expanding our portfolio and helping other students/ student organizations at the same time. Please take our brief survey (It will take **less than 1 minute** to complete) and contact us further with any serious inquiries. Our survey can be taken at:

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=RJYJZ30aDRp\\_2bv3kTmes2bQ\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=RJYJZ30aDRp_2bv3kTmes2bQ_3d_3d)

Our new project, InfoArt, has recently been started as a way for us to continue to practice and further embellish our portfolios for our professional careers. We understand that for the continued growth and success of student organizations around campus, these organizations may benefit from an effective form of publicity. We can help you, whether you wish to attract new members, promote an event around campus, or just spread a message to the student body. Our theory is simply, "students helping students." We will offer unbeatable rates with the highest quality design work.

**For more info:** [InfoArtIUB@gmail.com](mailto:InfoArtIUB@gmail.com).

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## Student Activity Tower Space

Need space for your student organization? Student Organizations can apply for Student Activity Tower Space now through 5:00pm on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Applications are available in the SAO and Union Board Office. Applications need to be submitted to the Union Board office, IMU Room 270.

*Even if an organization is currently renting space in the tower, they are required to reapply.*

**For more info:** [ubpres@indiana.edu](mailto:ubpres@indiana.edu) for additional questions.

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## Join the Homecoming Steering Committee

### 2009 Greek Homecoming Steering Committee Applications

**NOW AVAILABLE! DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS EXTENDED UNTIL March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009.** The Student Alumni Association (SAA) is pleased to announce that applications for the 2009 Greek Homecoming Steering Committee are now available! This committee is open to students who are interested in helping plan Homecoming events for IU's Greek community. Due to the popularity of this committee, the application deadline has been extended to **Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009**. Applications can be submitted via email to [lischand@indiana.edu](mailto:lischand@indiana.edu) or dropped off to the Student Alumni Association office, located at the Devault Alumni Center (1000 East 17<sup>th</sup> Street across the street from Assembly Hall).

**For more info:** [saa.Indiana.edu](http://saa.Indiana.edu) or contact Kim Kushner ([kimkushn@Indiana.edu](mailto:kimkushn@Indiana.edu)).

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