

Cultural Connections

Spring 2019

Every Friday 3:30 - 5:00 in the Entertainment Center
Refreshments & Snacks will be Served!

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Apps in the Developing World **Valerie Mores**

Feb

Learn how people in Kenya connect with each other in the digital age. We have many apps you would recognize in the United States, but many, like Uber, have customized themselves to suit the region users.

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No Shoes on the Persian Rug **Nadia Fereydooni**

Feb

What does an Iranian household look like? What rules do you have to follow in them? How do you keep bad luck and the evil eye away from the house? What role do Persian rugs play in these houses? Come to learn about the mixture of tradition and luxury in Persian houses, replicas of grand palaces suited for kings and queens.

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An Immersive Street Food Experience! **Debarpan Bhowmick**

Feb

India's diverse population has created many cuisines, but none as robust and vibrant as Kolkata street food. My earliest childhood memories are of sharing tasty treats with my parents and my high school memories are full of 'pani puri' eating competitions with my friends! Join me to experience the flavors of my hometown. There will be desserts and savory snacks. Enrich your Friday afternoon with a tasty presentation straight from the streets of Kolkata!

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Russia from Another Perspective **Evgenii Vasilev**

Feb

Russia is often a topic of the United States' news and media. However, the coverage rarely shows the daily life and culture of most Russians. Come learn about Russian culture and customs and see my country from a different point of view.

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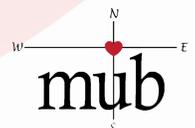
Brazil as a World Power **Nicolas Silberstein Camara**

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Last year's elections changed Brazil's future and now the country is climbing up again to cooperate with the world powers. Learn why I believe Brazil will rise from the socialism of the past government and become a first world country. Come figure out the differences and similarities our newest president has with Donald Trump and his administration.



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Island Time
Ellen Gonzalez Rossi

I will be presenting about the contrast between the two countries I am from, Dominican Republic, where I was born, and Switzerland, where I spend my summers. Both countries are great in their own way and I will show you through their cultures, the people, and of course, the food.

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Indian Etiquettes and Hospitality
Vatsal Kheni

Explain different types of etiquettes that most of the Indians have to follow to respect elders and friends. Dining, gifts, welcoming people into the house, business, dress, etc.

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Apr

My Friends. My Experiences. My Wildcat Story.
Tirthadeep "Tito" Das

You think 4 years is a long time. Next thing you know you're filling out your Intent to Graduate form and picking up your robe and graduation hat. Coming to UNH was never my plan, however (mostly) every day has been a great day to be a Wildcat. I met some of my best friends and made some of my most cherished memories. Join me at my FINAL Cultural Connections as I share my Wildcat stories and experience, and my tips and tricks of making it through college! As usual, samosas will be served.

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Apr

Move Your Body: Persian Style
Kimia Fereydooni

"Persian dance" reflects a tapestry of cultures and a geographical spectrum as broad and as ancient as the old Persian Empire itself. From the joyous abandon of "Bandari" to the studied nuance of a King's Court entertainer, the wide scope of Persian dance continues to enchant audiences in the 21st century, and for Westerners, offers a glimpse into the soul of an ancient people.

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Apr

The Himalayas of Nepal
Devanshu Prasad

Come and learn about the majestic Himalayas, the most famous mountain peaks in the world. Explore the significance of the world's highest peaks to the Nepalese economy and learn about the biodiversity found in this region. Learn about the famous base camps of these peaks and find out when is the best time to climb them. Hopefully, at the end of the presentation you might want to visit them.

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Apr

PechaKucha
5 Minutes. Various Presenters.

PechaKucha, which means "the sound of conversation" in Japanese, was first conceived by two architects working in Tokyo as a way to encourage presenters to be more organized and succinct. Presenters and the audience alike will experience a fun "trip around the world" listening to global travel stories from UNH students, faculty, and staff.



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