Cultural Connections

Monarchy and Nobility in Nepal
Ishan Katwal | Nepal | 9/13
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6,000 Kilometers from Home
Milana Evsten | Sweden | 10/18
My journey to Durham, New Hampshire started in Stockholm, Sweden. Over the past 3 years, I have experienced many cultural differences and similarities between the US and my home country. Learn about these differences and the opportunities in Sweden that led me here. Topics will include Swedish housing, food, infrastructure, and economy as well as my personal journey.

3 Generations of My Family
(Hui Group) | Yingjie Ma | China | 9/20
What was it like growing up in China as a minority group for three different generations? What are the differences in values, religions, and lifestyles between these generations? Follow my paternal line as we explore three generations of my family.

The Art of Chinese Paper-Cutting
Yu Zhou | China | 10/25
Chinese paper-cutting is a traditional folk art, which basically involves cutting paper with scissors to form different patterns, such as words, animals, landscapes, etc. With a long history, it is not only a handcraft, but also integrated into our daily life. Therefore, do you want to try paper-cutting yourself? Come and join us in a world of paper and scissors!

Explore My Country Through the Eyes of Animals.
Ishan Katwal | Kenya | 9/13
From sea turtles to flamingos to crocodiles, Kenya’s diverse wildlife spans the country. Come learn about Kenya’s most treasured animals, the country’s landscape, and the challenges they face.

Road Trip Around Brazil
Nicolas Silberstein Camara | Brazil | 11/1
Have you ever wanted to go on an amazing road trip adventure in a different country? Brazil might be the best place to hop in a car and explore. With all the beautiful beaches, the Amazon rainforest, the Christ the Redeemer Statue, all the biodiversity, and the delicious food, you will have to spend a lot of time in this amazing country. I will show you how to get ready for the best road trip of your life. Come to the presentation so you do not end up in the middle of the Amazon when exploring by yourself.

Summer Tan? No, Thanks
Jenny Quynh Nguyen | Vietnam | 10/04
Many of us are constantly trying to morph ourselves to fit a beauty standard to feel like we belong. To be viewed as “attractive” by a certain society’s standards. But what if you’re not just part of one society, one community, one culture? Come and find out about how the beauty trends in Vietnam particularly and East Asia in general. Why do we yearn to be pale instead of tanned during the summer?

What to Pack for Iran
Shadi Zamani | Iran | 11/8
Although the majority of Iranians are Persian, Iran has a varied population that includes different ethnic groups, each with their own language, tradition, and clothes, all of which add to the richness of the country’s culture. Traditionally marked in women’s clothes, it’s easy to identify which region or tribe the person belongs to based on the colorful fabrics, embroidered patterns, decorative jewelry, and style of hijab. Come to learn about the mixture of history and art in Iran’s traditional dresses.

‘ADDA’: The Art of Chatting
Debarpan Bhowmick | India | 10/11
Come hangout and chat with us on the streets of Calcutta. Here the conversations are long and the tea never stops coming. Learn about Kolkata, my hometown, while we discuss one of the most quintessential Bengali activities, ‘ADDA’.

Why You Should Visit Nepal?
Devanshu Prasad | Nepal | 11/15
Nepal is a land of breathtaking mountains, ancient temples and diverse wildlife. Come and learn why you should visit this amazing country shouldered by the Himalayas. You’ll learn about the birthplace of Buddhism and the tallest mountain in the world. They say that heaven is a mystery whereas Nepal is real, which is why visiting Nepal once is not enough.

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5 Minutes Each. Various Presenters
Ishan Katwal | Various Cultures | 11/22
Presenters and the audience alike will experience a fun “trip around the world” listening to global stories from UNH students, faculty, and staff. Come to our final Cultural Connections of the semester and learn about a variety of countries and cultures.

Memorial Union
and Student Activities

MUB Entertainment Center | 3:30 - 5pm

Global Education Center