

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AT LEHIGH

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PERSI DIACONIS

The yearly Everett Pitcher Lecture Series is a three-day event beginning on Monday, March 17 with a reception preceding an evening lecture, continuing on Tuesday, March 18, with an afternoon lecture and ending on Wednesday, March 19 with a noontime talk. The speaker, Persi Diaconis, will be coming from Stanford and is not only a mathematician but also a former professional magician who will demonstrate that eight perfect card shuffles brings a 52-card deck back to order based on his work in randomness and probability. [Flyer.](#)

EL PROYECTO

El Proyecto / The Project is a three-day, international event scheduled for April, 2008. The event centers on the social and political impact of Cuban Underground Hip Hop locally and globally. As an art-form and social movement, the Cuban Hip Hop movement is illustrative of the fact that Hip-Hop has become a worldwide cultural movement - there is a burgeoning body of scholarly literature, independent film and theater that analyzes Hip Hop as a global social movement. Below is the link to the website for El Proyecto/The Project: A Showcase of Cuban Hip Hop here at Lehigh, April 18-19th, 2008. [Website](#)

GC ROPES COURSE

Our first annual ropes course will be taking place this March 22nd. Please RSVP to lef304@lehigh.edu by **March 7th**, and check out the flyer [below](#).

UNITED NATIONS INTERNSHIP

Lehigh has already placed 6 interns at the United Nations. Want to be the 7th?
Qualifications:

- Graduating senior or graduate student
- 3.7 G.P.A. or above
- Fluency in a second language
- International living experience
- Strong writing skills
- An in-depth understanding of global issues
- Exceptional previous internship experiences

Internships are unpaid, begin in June, and last a minimum of six months.

Send your resume to Bill Hunter (wdh3), LU Representative to the United Nations. Also check out the [website](#).

NEW EXHIBITION

The "Cartographic Perspectives: From the New World to Your World" exhibit opens **February 22, 2008**. Alongside the range of maps, the exhibit also features a range of perspectives on how Lehigh faculty and students use, read, and make maps. Faculty and graduate students frame some of the treasures of the Lehigh map collections by explaining how they read and use maps. *Students from Lehigh's Global Citizenship program show and narrate their experiences mapping the world in their studies abroad.* Finally, visitors will have a chance to see a short cartographic history of Bethlehem and Lehigh in maps alongside early sixteenth and seventeenth century world maps. [Website](#)

WAR/DANCE MOVIE

A film by Sean Fine & Andrea Nix Fine

NOW PLAYING:
NEW YORK, Cinema Village
22 East 12th Street

"This is documentary-making at its best! stirring! Gorgeously filmed!"

-Ann Hornaday, *Washington Post*

Visit: www.wardancethemovie.com

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From its extraction through sale, use and disposal, all the stuff in our lives affects communities at home and abroad, yet most of

EVENTS ON CAMPUS

Kwame Anthony Appiah, "Cosmopolitan Roots"

3/10 in Sinclair Auditorium at 7:30pm. [Flyer](#)

John Dean, "Executive Power From Nixon to Bush...and Beyond"

4/03 in Baker Hall, Zoellner at 8:00pm. [Flyer](#)

"Transformation of Self, Society, and Text in Early and Medieval China"

Organized by Asian Studies, Supported by Asian Studies, Global Citizenship, Modern Languages and Literature, Philosophy, Religion, Sociology & Anthropology

A lecture series in preparation for the visit of His Holiness the Dalai Lama. Throughout the Spring of 2008 we will present:

John Major, China Institute, NY, "Natural Metamorphosis and Personal Transformation"

3/11 in Maginnes 102 at 4:10pm

Victor Mair, University of Pennsylvania, "Translation and Transformation: Adventures in Cross-Cultural Understanding."

3/27 in Maginnes 102 at 4:10pm

Gopal Sukhu, Queens College, "The Platform Sutra as Scripture and Historical Allegory"

4/9 in Maginnes 102 at 4:10pm

Don't forget to check out the [GC website](#) homepage for a calendar of events that is updated daily.

this is hidden from view. The Story of Stuff is a 20-minute, fast-paced, fact-filled look at the underside of our production and consumption patterns. The Story of Stuff exposes the connections between a huge number of environmental and social issues, and calls us together to create a more sustainable and just world. It'll teach you something, it'll make you laugh, and it just may change the way you look at all the stuff in your life forever. **Very relevant for us Global Citizens!!** [Website](#)



Save the Date

*Lehigh University Global Citizenship
Ropes Course and Picnic
Saturday, March 22nd, 2008
Time TBA (morning)
Mountaintop Campus
\$5/person*



<http://www.lehigh.edu/~insi/development/ropescourse.html>

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Department of Mathematics

Everett Pitcher Lecture Series

presents

“The Search for Randomness”

March 17, 2008

7:30pm, Lewis Lab Auditorium, Lehigh University
Lobby Reception at 6:30pm

Second Lecture

What Do We Know About the Metropolis Algorithm?

Tuesday, March 18, 2008

4:10pm, Sinclair Auditorium

Third Lecture

The Mathematics of Shuffling Cards

Wednesday, March 19, 2008

12:10pm, Neville 3



Persi Diaconis

*Mary V. Sunseri Professor of Statistics and Mathematics
Stanford University*

ABSTRACT: Lecture 1: I will investigate some of our most primitive images of random phenomena: tossing a coin, shuffling cards, and rolling a roulette ball. In each case, a careful look shows that things are not so random. Connections to computer-generated, pseudo-random numbers and the use (and misuse) of statistical models are made.

ABSTRACT: Lecture 2: The metropolis algorithm is one of the most used procedures in scientific computing. I will explain the algorithm, illustrate its use in cryptography and biology. Analysis of the algorithm lies mostly in the future.

ABSTRACT: Lecture 3: A few magicians and gamblers can shuffle cards perfectly. I will show that eight perfect shuffles bring a 52-card deck back to order (demonstrations provided). The mathematics illuminates computer algorithms and leads to problems on the edge of what is known in number theory.

The lectures are held in honor of A. Everett Pitcher, who was secretary of the AMS from 1967 until 1988. Pitcher served in the mathematics department at Lehigh from 1938 until 1978, when he retired as Distinguished Professor of Mathematics. He died on December 4, 2006, at the age of 94.

Open to the public, free of charge.

For more information, call 610-758-3731 or visit

<http://www.lehigh.edu/math/web/pitcher.html>

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PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

Presents

Kwame Anthony Appiah

Laurance S. Rockefeller University Professor of Philosophy
at Princeton University and at the Princeton University
Center for Human Values

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SELFRIDGE LECTURE

“Cosmopolitan Roots”

Monday, March 10, 2008, 7:30 P.M.
Sinclair Auditorium

Professor Appiah will discuss the origins of cosmopolitanism in his own life and in the intellectual history of the west, will identify its core ideals, and will defend their relevance in an age of globalization.

COLLEGE LECTURE

“Understanding Moral Disagreement”

Wednesday, March 12, 2008, 4:10 P.M.
Neville 2

Sponsored by the Philosophy Department
Lehigh University

Free and open to the public

For more information contact Donna Wagner, djw0@lehigh.edu, (610)758-3775

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Lehigh University's Tresolini Lecture Series Presents:

John Dean

Former White House Counsel to Richard M. Nixon,
author and television commentator



"Executive Power from Nixon to Bush ... and Beyond"

8 p.m. on Thursday, April 3
Zoellner Arts Center, Baker Hall

John Dean, who is perhaps best known for his role as the government's key witness in the Watergate proceedings, will draw upon his vast experience to offer insight on the present and future status of presidential authority.

Free and open to the public. Tickets are required and will be available March 1 at Zoellner Ticket Services (420 E. Packer Ave., Bethlehem) or at 610-7LU-ARTS.

All tickets are valid until 10 minutes prior to curtain.

Doors open at 7:15 p.m.

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