Can you name this retro Cambodia rock band? Amp up your Southeast Asia pop culture IQ this week at the Southeast Asia Club’s spring mixer from 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 4 in Cole Hall Lobby. Meet other students with an interest in Southeast Asia, enjoy Thai food and dance to a dynamic playlist of Southeast Asian rock and pop music. And the name of the band? Dengue Fever.

Mixing it up with SEA Club

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1. This week’s lecture: A New Order epidemic in Suharto’s Indonesia

Graduate student Scott Hanley (MA candidate, history) will present “A New Order Epidemic: Popular and Professional Responses towards ‘Lifestyle Diseases’ in Suharto’s Indonesia” at noon Friday, **Feb. 6**, in Room 110 (Honors), Campus Life Building. Southeast Asian lunches will resume this week. Starting Wednesday, to order an Indonesian lunch, submit an online request by 6 p.m. Thursday at CSEAS Brown Bag Lunch Order. Orders must be cancelled online by 10 a.m. Friday. Cost is $5 for students and $6 for faculty, staff and others. Payments may be made in cash or by check. For lunch details, e-mail seabrownbag@gmail.com. For a complete spring lecture schedule, see the Center website.

2. Africa to Southeast Asia: A fusion of cultures

Anthropology graduate student and 2014–15 FLAS fellow Anthonie Tumpag will present “Ancestry Uniting the Oceans: Celebrating African-Asian Crossroads through Madagascar and its Cultural Ties to Southeast Asia” from 5 to 6 p.m. **Feb. 3** in the Capitol Room at the Holmes Student Center. “In observance of Black Heritage Month and the spirit of unity,” Tumpag says, “my presentation hopes to celebrate the ancestral bonds between the Malagasy people of Madagascar and their counterparts in maritime Southeast Asia, a relationship established approximately 2,300 years ago when seafarers from Borneo transversed the Indian Ocean and settled on Madagascar resulting in a fusion of African-Asian peoples, cultures and language.” Tumpag’s talk is sponsored by the Asian American Center.

3. Let your curiosity soar: USOAR proposals due Friday

Undergraduate students who want to pursue independent projects in artistry or research under the guidance of NIU faculty or staff are invited to submit project proposals by noon **Feb. 6** in order to qualify for up to $2,500 in funding. Projects must be carried out between **Jan. 1** and **Dec. 31**. Students must submit an electronic copy of their proposal and all supplemental materials to ugresearch@niu.edu by the Feb. 6 deadline in order to be eligible for funding. For guidelines and proposal forms, see the USOAR website.

4. New NIU funding opportunity for undergraduates

Need travel money for a conference, a stipend to work on a faculty-mentored research project or funding to help pay for a study abroad program? A new fund has been established by the Office of Student Engagement and Experiential Learning and the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences to provide funding for undergraduates for just such activities. Students in good academic standing may apply on their own behalf or faculty may apply on behalf of a student. Awards range from $250 to $2,500. The deadline to apply for summer and fall 2015 funds is **Feb. 15** and **Oct. 1** for spring 2016 funds. For details, see the program website or attend an information session this week at 3:30 p.m. **Feb. 3** in DuSable 280.
5. Let Southeast Asia be your summer study abroad destination

If research, language immersion or an interest in seeing Southeast Asia in person applies, consider taking a summer study abroad program through NIU. CSEAS associates Andrea Molnar (Anthropology) and Jui-Ching Wang (School of Music) are actively recruiting for their study abroad programs in Thailand and Bali respectively, with application deadlines in March and April. NIU also sponsors Summer Study Abroad in Laos with the San Francisco-based Center for Lao Studies. Apply through NIU’s Study Abroad Office in 417 Williston (email niuabroad@niu.edu or phone 815-753-0700). Some partial travel funding is available; contact the Study Abroad office for details. Program information is also available at CSEAS.

- Molnar’s program, Cultural Diversity in Thailand, is set for June 8–July 3. It will introduce students to Thailand’s diverse cultural groups and explore the relationship between the dominant majority and minorities of the country. **Deadline to apply: March 16.** For more information, see the program’s Facebook page. Scholarships available from NIU Thai Studies Committee (see below).

- Wang’s program, Experiencing the Arts in Bali, will take students to a village location in Bali, Indonesia July 4–25 to learn about Balinese music, dance, theater, architecture, art and crafts. For more information see the program’s Facebook page. **Deadline to apply: April 15.**

- NIU also sponsors Summer Study Abroad in Laos (SAIL), a five-week Lao language and culture program June 27–July 31, in cooperation with the San Francisco-based Center for Lao Studies. Learn Lao language, history and culture. **Deadline to apply: April 1.**

6. Thai Studies Committee offers grants for Thailand study abroad program

The NIU Thai Studies Committee invites undergraduate and graduate students to apply for two $1,500 scholarships to be applied to CSEAS associate Andrea Molnar’s June 8–July 3 study abroad program to Thailand. Submit one-page statement addressing academic interest in Thai Studies, letter of support from Molnar, letter of recommendation and either a transcript (for undergraduates) or an explanation of graduate work progress from program advisor (for graduate students). Funding is through the Thai Teaching and Research Fund administered by the NIU Foundation. Submit application to CSEAS associate Chalermsee Olson at etoolson@niu.edu by March 16.

7. Call for papers: NIU Southeast Asia Student Conference

The Southeast Asia Club invites papers for its 2015 spring student conference, which will be held Saturday, April 25, in Room 315 Altgeld. Papers may be submitted on any topic pertaining to Southeast Asia; email niuseacclub@gmail.com. Abstracts will be accepted through March 6. The conference theme is “Identity Narratives” and the keynote speaker will be University of California-Berkeley historian and Cambodian specialist Penny Edwards. Awards will be given for best undergraduate and graduate papers.
8. Teaching World Music Symposium includes SEA forum

Teaching World Music Symposium will be resonating with the sounds of world music April 9–11 when the 2015 World Music Symposium: From the Exotic to the Global takes place. Music educators, ethnomusicologists, composers, performers and interdisciplinary scholars are invited to attend. The third day of the conference will feature a Teaching Southeast Asia Performing Arts Forum (with funding provided for community college educators to attend). The symposium, organized by CSEAS associate Jui-Ching Wang (School of Music), honors Kuo-Huang Han, music professor emeritus and founder of the NIU Gamelan Ensemble, and marks the 40th anniversary of the world music program at NIU. The program concludes with the annual World Music concert, which will include Balinese gamelan and marching gamelan and Thai folk music, at 3 p.m. in Boutell Hall. For information, email jcwang@niu.edu or see the symposium website.

9. Save the dates: Fellowship deadlines, club mixer, and Lunar New Year

- Feb. 4: Southeast Asia Club spring mixer, 5 to 7 p.m., Cole Hall lobby. NEW
- Feb. 19: Southeast Asia Club Lunar New Year Celebration, 6 to 8 p.m., Cole Hall lobby.
- April 9–11: Teaching World Music Symposium, NIU School of Music.
- April 11: World Music Concert, 3 p.m., Boutell Hall. NEW
- Through May: “Curated by DeKalb: 50 Years of the Anthropology Museum,” 50th anniversary exhibition including SEA artifacts. Admission free.

10. Overseas language, exchange, and area studies programs NEW

- University of Washington Archeology Field School in Thailand, July 23–Aug. 21. Four weeks of archaeological excavation and scientific analysis in peninsular Thailand. Directed by UW archaeology professor Ben Marwick. Co-sponsored by Silpakorn University and the National Science Museum of Thailand. Deadline to apply: Feb. 6. For details, see program website or email bmarwick@uw.edu.
- Advanced Study of Khmer, June 15–July 24. Ten Fulbright-Hays fellowships available to qualified applicants for six-week intensive language program at the Royal University of Phnom Penh. Administered by the University of Hawaii-Manoa. Deadline to apply: Feb. 27. See program website or email Chhany Sak-humphry at sak@hawaii.edu.

Note: Students taking language or area studies abroad through non-NIU programs are advised to work through NIU’s Study Abroad office, 417 Williston Hall. By doing so, students can receive NIU credit and possibly have NIU financial aid apply, in addition to receiving liability and insurance protection.

11. Money for study

Weatherhead East Asia Institute

- Postdoc fellowship in Southeast Asian Studies: Applications being accepted for 2015-16 fellowship through the Dorothy Borg Research Program, “The United States and Southeast Asia: Past Legacies, Present Issues and Future Prospects,” at the Columbia University-based institute in New York City. Deadline to apply: Feb. 25. For details, contact Laura Lechner, Student Affairs Coordinator at weaipostdocs@gmail.com. NEW
University of Leeds (U.K.)

- **Thai Studies research scholarships**: Three scholarships (approximately $18,000 each) offered by the university’s School of Languages, Cultures and Societies for graduate students to undertake field research in Thailand. See [website](#). NEW

Center for Khmer Studies

- **Khmer Language and Culture Study Program**: Six-week study abroad, June 16–July 24, at Royal University of Phnom Penh for undergraduates, post-graduates, and faculty. Funding for tuition and some program costs available for up to eight participants. Administered by the University of Hawai’i. **Deadline to apply**: Feb. 27. See [website](#).

Harvard Kennedy School

- **Indonesia Research Fellowships**: For Indonesian PhD students, post-docs, and practitioners, appointments run Aug. 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016. **Deadline to apply**: March 13. See [website](#).

Smithsonian Institution

- **Summer Institute Fellowships**: Intensive program for graduate students in cultural anthropology. June 22–July 17. Funding covers room, board, and tuition. Housing and small stipend also provided. **Deadline to apply**: March 1. See [website](#). NEW

Rotary International

- **Rotary Peace Fellowships**: Fully paid fellowships for master’s degree study offered at six universities worldwide. **Deadline to apply for 2016 fellowships**: July 2015. See [website](#).

United States-Indonesia Society

- **2015 Sumitro Fellowships**: $10,000 travel/study grant for postdocs, PhD candidates, senior academics and qualified candidates. Two grants offered, one for U.S. citizens and one for Indonesian citizens. **Deadline**: Jan. 31. See [website](#). NEW

12. Job/internship opportunities

Asia Society

- **Career opportunities**: Internships and jobs posted regularly on [website](#).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations

- Jobs listed under [Opportunities tab](#) of ASEAN website.

Devex: Do Good. Do It Well

- International aid and development jobs in 1,000 agencies, companies and NGOs in 100 countries. See [website](#).

DevMetJOBS.org

- International development jobs and consulting opportunities. See [website](#).

Hess International Educational Group

- **Teach English across Asia**: Taiwan-based organization offers free training, benefits, and flexible scheduling. Contact NIU alum Derek Wright at derek.wright@hess.com.tw or see the Hess [website](#) for details.

Idealist.org

- Privately funded website offers searchable database of nonprofit international jobs and volunteer opportunities. See the [Idealist website](#).

ReliefWeb

- Specialized digital service of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs that posts jobs regularly. See [website](#).

World Health Organization
Global health agency in the United Nations System encourages online applications for potential employment. See WHO website.

13. Conferences, calls for papers and workshops
- **International Graduate Student Conference on the Asia Pacific Region**, Feb. 12–14, East-West Center, Honolulu. See conference website.
- **Mon Society and Culture Program**, March 18–24, Yangon, Myanmar. Sponsored by SEAMEO Regional Centre for History and Tradition. Includes five-day field trip to Mon State. For details, email seameo_chat@mptmail.net.mm.
- **Artistic Inventions: Histories, Cartographies and Politics in Asia**, March 30–31, Hong Kong Baptist University. See conference website.
- **International Convention of Asia Scholars 9**, July 5–9, Adelaide, Australia. See conference website.
- **5th International Conference on Lao Studies**, July 8–10, Thammasat University, Bangkok. See conference website.
- **4th International Conference on International Relations and Development (ICIRD)**, July 9–10, Mahidol University, Salaya, Thailand. Call for abstracts and panel proposals. **Deadline: March 30.** See conference website.
- **EuroSEAS 2015**, Aug. 11–14, University of Vienna, Austria. See conference website.
- **NUS/ARI Workshop: International Medical Travel and the Politics of Transnational Mobility in Asia**, Aug. 26–27, National University of Singapore Asia Research Institute. Call for papers. Partial or full travel funding available. **Deadline: March 31.** See website for details.

14. Southeast Asia cultural opportunities
- “Curated by DeKalb: 50 Years of the Anthropology Museum,” on display at the NIU Anthropology Museum through the 2014–15 academic year. The exhibit features items from the museum’s collection of ethnographic and archeological objects, many from SEA, chosen by members of the NIU and local communities. Museum hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Admission free.
- “Remembering the Killing Fields” exhibit on display at the Cambodian American Heritage Museum and Killing Fields Memorial, 2831 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago. The Cambodian Association of Illinois also holds free Cambodian music and dance lessons.
- The Indonesian Consulate in Chicago offers free Javanese gamelan and dance is offered from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturdays; gamelan music and Indonesian dance 3 to 6 p.m. Sundays. See consulate website.

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