China 1+2+1 Spring 2013

Movie Night with the Filmmaker!
Stories from Two Chinese Villages

Join us for an evening of film, food and fun! On Thursday, April 11, the China 1+2+1 Office invites you and students from the Honors College to a film event with the filmmaker, Dr. Carma Hinton. We will view two short films of contemporary Chinese life, Small Happiness and Guomen (Passing Through the Door), followed by a light dinner and discussion.

Small Happiness explores sexual politics in rural China with segments on love and marriage, foot-binding, and child-bearing. Guomen is about wedding preparations and rituals in a southern Chinese village. Both movie are in Chinese with English subtitles.

Carma Hinton was born in Beijing and lived there until she was twenty-one. Chinese is her first language and culture. Together with Richard Gordon, Hinton has directed thirteen documentary films about China, including The Gate of Heavenly Peace and Morning Sun. Hinton has received several awards for her work in film including the George Foster Peabody Award (twice), the John E. O'Connor Film Award, and others, as well as a number of nominations for "best documentary feature".

Don’t miss this unique opportunity! Thursday, April 11, Research 163, 5-7:30 pm.

What You Need to Know about Housing

At the end of this semester, you will need to move out of your dorm by May 16. You may apply to stay after that date, but the latest you may stay is 6:00 pm on May 18. Please let Lisa know if you will be staying late.

The application for Summer School housing opens up on April 15. This year, most summer students will be staying in Eastern Shore dorm. If you will be taking summer classes, you need to fill out this application. You may stay for some or all of the summer and you are responsible for moving in and out of your summer assignment on designated days. Summer school move in will be on May 19. Move-out for students staying through to the Fall 2013 semester will likely be the weekend of August 17. This is when you can move to your Fall 2013 space. Make sure that you are not traveling during this time because you cannot stay late in summer housing or move in early to your fall assignment.

If you plan to travel, please read the Travel & Visa Guidelines Fact Sheet on MyMason 1+2+1 pages.
Student Profile—Jie Hou

Jie Hou came to Mason in Fall 2011 from Hefei University of Technology to major in Finance. During her first semester she studied in the English Language Institute (ELI) at Mason, where she made many international friends. She appreciated the dedication of all her instructors in ELI, and especially noted that “Professor Huhtala brought me into the world of English writing.”

Academically, Jie has enjoyed her professors and the innovative American classroom culture. She admires one of her Finance professors, Dr. Piloff, because he is well organized, interesting, and shows funny videos. Based on his recommendation, Jie joined the business fraternity, Alpha Kappa Psi. Through this group, she interacts with classmates and faculty, attends career programs with alumni and companies like IBM, and went to leadership training in Philadelphia. What’s more, she loves her Probability professor, Ms. Goldin, noting that “Professor Goldin let me truly experience the mysteries of mathematics. I wish to become an independent woman like her, always with a beautiful big smile.”

Outside of school, Jie is passionate about travelling around the US. She has been from the NYC art galleries and Chinatown to the Rockies and National Parks in Colorado, Wyoming, and Utah. Over winter break, her mom came for a visit and they went to Disney World and Miami. Jie has plans to go to Canada, Louisiana, the west coast and Hawaii before she finishes up her time here at Mason next December.

Global Office Hosts 1+2+1 Visiting Scholar

Meet China 1+2+1 Visiting Scholar Ms. Xiulian Yu, an associate professor in the Foreign Language Teaching Department of Shandong University, Weihai. She is being hosted by the Global Office and taking classes in the College of Education and Human Development. Professor Yu will be at Mason until May 30, 2013. She would be happy to meet 1+2+1 students! Feel free to get in touch with her by email, xyu6@gmu.edu, if you would like to meet her or ask any questions.

Tips from Xiaohan Li

May the odds be always in your favor!

Xiaohan Li
1+2+1 Student & Program Intern

Need a break from studying? Want to try something different? Here are some ideas! Please check the websites for details.

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Arlington Cinema and Draft House in The Green Room. Join host Rahmein Mostafavi and the herd every Thursday from 8-9pm for only $5 to see three of the areas best comics! www.arlingtondraffthouse.com 2903 Columbia Pike, Arlington

French Movie Night
Fontaine Caffe & Creperie
Free French movies every Thursday from 7-9pm www.fontainecaffe.com 119 S. Royal St., Alexandria

Live entertainment
Old Town Theater Revue
Come hear a band or see a comedian every Friday and Saturday at 7 or 10pm at this historic theater, originally built in 1914 and remodeled in 2012. Live weekend shows are $27 (weekday movies $10.) www.oldtowntheater1914.com 815 1/2 King St., Alexandria

Or try a new restaurant!

Lighthouse Tofu and BBQ
4121 Chatelain Road, #100, Annandale 703-333-3436 Note: Korean, Barbecue

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