

The MESA / Trotter Bi-Weekly

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MESA Facts

- Students of color and their allies may apply to MESA for grants to attend or present at academic conferences.
- MESA and the office of Student Activities and Leadership are great places to get help when planning a major campus event.
- MESA invites students to use the office for studying.

Introducing: The MESA / Trotter Bi-Weekly

Welcome to this inaugural issue of the MESA/Trotter Bi-Weekly Newsletter. In it you will find what many have come to expect on the various listserves that MESA/Trotter staff either co-own or moderate. There are Internship, job, fellowship, and scholarship listings for you to peruse. We will also list the events and/or programs of MESA/Trotter as well as those from other Uni-

versity of Michigan Offices and Departments. We hope that this newsletter will serve as a source wherein all our constituencies can find information that is particular to them as well as to see what other areas of the University and greater community may have with regard to resources to serve all needs. Lastly, we wish to encourage and enable connections within and be-

tween those individuals and communities who have more in common than not. Please do not hesitate to come to the MESA Office on the 2nd floor of the Michigan Union or visit the newly renovated Trotter Multicultural Center at 1443 Washtenaw Avenue. The Trotter is open seven days a week and there's usually a cozy fire going! Enjoy!

Word of the Week

Community can be defined as a group of people having ethnic or cultural or religious characteristics in common. In Serbian the word for community is

zajednička

Community

Profile: Hubert Williams

Hubert Williams is the newest member of the staff in the Office of Multi-Ethnic Student Affairs. He is originally from a small mining community in Morenci, AZ. Hubert completed his bachelors in Elementary

Education at Northern Arizona University of Flagstaff. He continued his interests in education at NAU by obtaining his Masters in Educational Psychology. As a member of the Dene tribe, Hubert is fluent in

both English and Navajo. He enjoys frequenting bookstores where he reads up on philosophy, history and native literature and restaurants. Hubert enjoys a fine cup of coffee.

For More Up-To-Date news & info go to the MESA website
<http://www.mesa.umich.edu/>

Upcoming Events

Heroes: Queer People of Color

Tuesday February 14, 11am-5pm, Wolverine Room, Michigan Union

A celebration honoring LGBTQA people of color, past and present, and their contributions to our cultural, political and everyday lives.

LACS Queer Latino/a American Speaker Series

Thursday February 16, 4:00-5:30 pm, 1528 CC Little

Achy Obejas (Cuban-American author) will speak on "Identity and Dislocation." She will discuss the flow and limitations of our identities from the perspective of a queer Cuban-American author.

Free Film Screening Brincando El Charco Portrait of a Puerto Rican

Tuesday Feb. 21, 6 pm, in 3512 Haven Hall

LACS Bate-Papo Series: Educação no Brasil Contemporâneo o Papel da Raça e do Gênero.

Thursday February 23, 12 noon, 2609 SSWB/International Institute

Leticia Marteleto will discuss how gender and race have operated and interacted in shaping educational inequalities in contemporary Brazil.

The Women of Color Task Force 24th Annual Career Conference

Friday March 3, 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 pm, Michigan League

Over 50 workshops throughout the day will offer presentations on various topics including leadership development, interviewing techniques, diversity in the workplace, project management, nutrition and fitness, disease risk factors specific to women and men, stress reduction and relaxation, navigating the UM job market and home ownership. Early and online registration for the conference will close on Wednesday, February 22, 2006.

LGBTQ Ally Program

Registration for the March 2006 training has been extended. If you are interested in social justice, LGBTQ rights and issues contact Jennifer Almquist almquij@umich.edu or the LGBTQA office to become an ally.

Don't miss these MESA/Trotter Center events

Building the Capacity for Inclusive Leadership Series: Leadership for Diversity Training

Thursday, Feb. 16th, 2006 to Friday, Feb. 17th 8:30am – 5:00 pm

Nourish Yourself 2006: Relationship Series: She Said, She Said: Lesbian and Bisexual Relationships (for women from ALL experiences)

Thursday, February 23rd, 2006 11:30-1 pm



Mark
Your
Calendar!



Trotter
Multicultural Center
1443 Washtenaw
Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Job and Internship postings

2006 Ford Motor Company CHLI Leadership Program

Participants will travel to Washington, D.C. to take part in a six-week internship program consisting of professional leadership development workshops while learning about local and state government, federal government, national advocacy organizations, and policy development. Application Deadline Friday, April 14, 2006 For more information please contact Melissa Bui, Program Manager, Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute at mbuia@chli.org or at 202-429-233.



The Governor's Advisory Council for Asian Pacific American Affairs

(<http://www.michigan.gov/mdcr/0,1607,7-138--127553--,00.html>), needs an intern on short-term assignment -- essentially from now through April. The Council has been charged by the Governor to generate a definitive report on priority issues among Michigan's APA community. This would be an unpaid internship.

Scholarship and Other Opportunities

2006 CIC Summer Research Opportunities Program

is accepting applications. SROP is intended to promote access to graduate education for students from underrepresented groups. In addition to travel, room, board, and research support, participants receive a stipend of at least \$3,000. This undergraduate research program is open to sophomores, juniors and seniors with a 3.0 GPA who are currently enrolled in a U.S. institution of higher education. Details about SROP and the web-based application process are available at the program website: www.cic.uiuc.edu/programs/srop.

Scholarships for Asian American Journalism Students

Details available at http://www.aaaja.org/programs/for_students/scholarships/

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

HCF is looking for the next generation of engineers, business executives, scientists, and health professionals with the drive to become leaders of America's professional workforce scholarships are awarded to students demonstrating academic merit and financial need. Students can apply online at [http:// www.hispanicfund.org](http://www.hispanicfund.org)

MESA 2005-2006 Conference Grant

In support of undergraduate students who are interested in attending or presenting at national conferences, MESA offers grant money as a one-time reimbursement of fees to cover expenditures, research materials, and/or travel that a student may require for the conference. The conferences must occur now through April 8th, 2006 . Application deadline is Monday, February 20th, 2006. There are a number of conference topics that qualify. To see a complete list or obtain an application, visit the MESA website www.mesa.umich.edu.



USSA Grassroots Legislative Conference

This is an annual conference featuring dynamic speakers, forums, workshops that brings together students from across the country to discuss and act on current legislative issues impacting access to higher education. The conference culminates with the National Student Lobby Day on Capitol Hill. For info and registration visit www.usstudents.org

Inter Faith Calendar: Providing a look into other cultures.

February 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Vasant Panchami-Hindu	3 St. Blaze Day-Christian Setsebun-Shinto	4
5 Four Chaplains Sunday-Interfaith	6	7	8	9 Ashura-Islam	10	11
12 Triodian-Orthodox Christian	13 Tu B'shvatJewish Nirvana Day-Buddhist-Mahayana	14 St. Valentine's Day-Christian	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Meat Fare Sunday-Orthodox Christian	27	28 Shrove Tuesday-Christian				

Get to know MESA

MESA (the Office of Multi-Ethnic Student Affairs) is dedicated to building relationships with students through group and individual advising, program development, mentorship and collaborations with student organizations, staff, faculty and the community beyond the University. Some of

the events and services include the Annual Dance for Mother Earth Pow Wow, The Trotter Community Festival, Nourish Yourself lunch series, funding for conference travel, collaborations with the Pan-African Network and Welcome Week committees and co-sponsorship with student-run organi-

zations for various heritage month events. If you are curious about the existing student-run groups of color, need a break to check email and socialize, or want to assist in the planning of an event or program, MESA is a good place to connect with others, find resources and receive guidance. Trotter Multi-

cultural Center (1443 Washtenaw Ave) offers educational programming and support, houses several student-run organization offices and hosts a myriad of campus events during the year. Check out the website (www.mesa.umich.edu) to learn more!